

Peace Lutheran Church of Orofino ID

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St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Clarkston WA

1107 14th Street 11:00 am Service; 10:00 am Sunday School; 10:15 am Bible Class <u>www.ClarkstonLutheran.org</u>

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3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

JANUARY 29, 2012

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 40 (front of the hymnal p. 132) The Hymns: 129, 762, 307, 315:13

Prayer: Gracious God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, as we look forward to the privilege of meditating upon the Cross of Christ during the coming Lenten season, may the message of the slain Lamb of God impress upon our hearts and minds the awfulness of our sins and may it lead us to Calvary for pardon and peace. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Opening Prayer Opening Hymn 129

The Invocation

We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. (Hymnal, page 5 – Congregation Stands) **Pastor** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Congregation. (sing)** *Amen.*

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION OF SINS

We come before our Holy God recognizing that we are sinful and daily need His forgiveness. **PASTOR** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord. **CONGR. (sing)** Who made heaven and earth

PASTOR I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord. **CONGR. (sing)** *And Thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.*

ALL: O almighty God, merciful Father, I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto Thee all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended Thee and justly deserved Thy temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray Thee of Thy boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Thy beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

PASTOR: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office as a called servant of God's Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. **CONGR. (sing)** *Amen.* (congregation is seated)

THE INTROIT

Having received the Lord's forgiveness, we are glad to enter into His courts with praise and thanksgiving. This entrance is made in the Introit with the Lord's own Word, often from the Psalms.

P: The lightnings lightened the world:

- C: The earth trembled and shook.
- P: How lovely is Your tabernacle, O Lord of hosts!
- C: My soul longs, yes, even faints for the courts
- of the Lord.
- P: Blessed are those who dwell in Your house:
- C: They will be praising You forever.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father" (Hymnal, page 6) CONGR. (sing) Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

<u>THE KYRIE</u>

Latin for "O Lord." We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life. (Hymnal page 7 - sing) Lord have mercy upon us. Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

THE GLORIA

A hymn glorifying and praising our God (Hymn 798:1 - sing) God, we praise You! God, we bless You! God, we name You sovereign Lord! Mighty King whom angels worship, Father by Your Church adored: All creation shows Your glory; Heav'n and earth draw near Your throne Singing "Holy, holy, holy, Lord of hosts and God alone!"

THE SALUTATION (Greeting)

PASTOR The Lord be with you. **CONGR. (sing)** *And with thy spirit.*

THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

The main thoughts for the day are "collected" together in this prayer. **PASTOR** Let us pray.

CONGR. (sing) Amen.

THE BIBLE LESSONS

God speaks to us.

The Old Testament Reading:

Jeremiah 1:4-10 Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying: 5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations." 6 Then said I: "Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, I cannot speak, for I am a youth." 7 But the LORD said to me: "Do not say, 'I am a youth,' For you shall go to all to whom I send you, And whatever I command you, you shall speak. 8 Do not be afraid of their faces, For I am with you to deliver you," says the LORD. 9 Then the LORD put forth His hand and touched my mouth, and the LORD said to me: "Behold, I have put My words in your mouth. 10 See, I have this day set you over the nations and over the kingdoms, To root out and to pull down, To destroy and to throw down, To build and to plant."

PASTOR Here ends the Old Testament Reading. We continue with the responsive reading of:

THE GRADUAL

The Gradual is a "Bridge of praise" that links the Old Testament with the New Testament.

- P: You are fairer than the children of men:
- C: Grace is poured into Your lips.
- P: The Lord said to my Lord, Sit down at My right hand:
- C: Until I make Your enemies Your footstool. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- P: Sing to the Lord, bless His name, and show forth His salvation from day to day:
- C: Declare His glory among all people. Hallelujah!

CONGR. (sing) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

PASTOR The New Testament Reading comes from 1 Corinthians chapter 12, beginning there in the 27th verse.

CONGR. (sing) Glory be to Thee, O Lord!

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13 Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually. 28 And God has appointed these in the church: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, administrations, varieties of tongues. 29 Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? 30 Do all have gifts of healings? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? 31 But earnestly desire the best gifts. And yet I show you a more excellent way.

PASTOR: This ends the New Testament Reading

We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 22)

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary And was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father; And He shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one holy Christian and Apostolic Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, And I look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn 762

THE SERMON

Luke 4:21-30 And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." 22 So all bore witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth. And they said, "Is this not Joseph's son?" 23 He said to them, "You will surely say this proverb to Me, 'Physician, heal yourself! Whatever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in Your country." 24 Then He said, "Assuredly, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own country. 25 "But I tell you truly, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a great famine throughout all the land; 26 "but to none of them was Elijah sent except to Zarephath, in the region of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. 27 "And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." 28 So all those in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath, 29 and rose up and thrust Him out of the city; and they led Him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built, that they might throw Him down over the cliff. 30 Then passing through the midst of them, He went His way.

> Theme: The Hidden Danger of Unbelief I. It is religiously reasonable (21-23)

II. It is spiritually deadly (24-30)

THE OFFERTORY

In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit. (Hymnal, pages 12-13) (sing)

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation; and uphold me with Thy free spirit. Amen.

THE OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. While the ushers present our offerings at the Lord's Altar, we stand and sing the offering hymn 441:1-2: We give Thee but Thine own, Whate'er the gift may be; All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee. May we Thy bounties thus As stewards true receive And gladly, as Thou blessest us, To Thee our first-fruits give!

PRAYERS - (Pastor)

Congregation sings Hymn 307

The Communion Liturgy continues with <u>THE PREFACE/ PROPER PREFACE</u>

Now we approach the second high point of the liturgy, the Sacrament, in which the Lord comes to bless us with His very body and blood. We move toward the Sacrament with prayers of thanksgiving and songs of

adoration. (Hymnal p. 24-25) Please stand.PASTOR:The Lord be with you.CONGR: (sing)And with thy spirit.PASTOR:Lift up your hearts.CONGR: (sing)We lift them up unto the Lord.PASTOR:Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.

CONGR: (sing) It is meet and right so to do.

PASTOR: It is truly meet, right, and spiritually beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

THE SANCTUS

Latin: "Holy." We join our voices to the angels who sing, "Holy, Holy, Holy" round about His throne and we welcome Him with the Palm Sunday multitude who sang, "Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest!" (Hymnal, page 26)

CONG: (sing)

(sing) Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory; Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest. Blessed is He, Blessed is He, Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the Highest.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PASTOR: Our Father, Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;

CONG: (sing) For Thine is the Kingdom and the power, and the glory forever and ever, Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

(The words spoken by Jesus the night He instituted the Lord's Supper by which our Lord assured to His Church the real presence of His sacramental body and blood for all time

PASTOR: Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take eat; this is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me."

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the New Testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always **CONGR: (sing)** *Amen.*

THE AGNUS DEI

Latin: "Lamb of God." As we approach the Table of Forgiveness, we want to think only of that Lamb of God who was sacrificed for us on Calvary's cross. **(Hymnal, page 28)**

CONGR: (sing)

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION

A special note to our visitors: We practice Close Communion. The Bible tells us to be "perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment" (1 Corinthians 1:10). Holy Communion is therefore both a communing with God and a public statement that those communing together believe the same thing. For this reason we ask that anyone who has not established this unity through membership in a CLC congregation first schedule a meeting with the pastor before communing. We hold this position in loving obedience to the Word of God, not in judgment of anyone's Christian faith, sincerity, or standing before God.

THE NUNC DIMITTIS

Latin: "Now Dismiss." Simeon's words after seeing the Christ Child. (Luke 2:29-32) (Hymnal, page 29)

CONGR: (sing) Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy Word, For mine eyes have seen Thy Salvation: which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

PASTOR:Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good.CONGR: (sing)And His mercy endureth forever.PASTOR:(Prayer)CONGR: (sing)Amen.

THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26).

PASTOR:

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

CONGR: (sing) Amen. Amen. Amen.

Congregation sings the Closing Hymn 315:13

*** Silent Prayer ***

<u>Announcements</u>

"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

ANNUAL MEETINGS – Today following service at both congregations.

GOD ANSWERS PRAYERS This past Wednesday the LORD blessed Jeff Johnson with successful heart surgery up in Spokane. We continue to keep Jeff and family in our prayers as he recovers. We also hold up Kirby Seblist to the throne of grace as he recovers from a back injury due to a fall. "Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies." Psalm 103:2-4

SAVE THE DAY! St. John's 100th anniversary service is planned for Sunday May 27th, 2012. A special 2:00 pm afternoon service is planned, followed by dinner and a 100th anniversary program.

ST. JOHN'S REMINDERS - On the back table...

There are new sign-up sheets for altar falowers and monthly church cleaning, 2)Updated congregational address booka nd email addresses. Be sure to look them over. Addittions and corrections are requested! 3)New Ladies Aid 2012 Calendars – help yourself!

CLC NEWS <> The Rev. Michael Gurath has returned the call to serve as full-time foreign missionary.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations." Jeremiah 1:5



Kids 4 KINSHIP is being developed as a way to involve the children of CLC Sunday Schools and Christian Day Schools in the privilege of spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ around the world by...

> 1) Praying 2) Giving 3) Loving 4) and Learning!

Each year the KINSHIP Committee will work with our overseas missionaries to choose one particular area of our overseas work for the children of the CLC to pray for, give to, love, and learn about. Posters, lessons plans, handouts, and other materials will be developed and distributed at the annual CLC Teachers' Conference and will then be made available on-line.

http://lutheranmissions.org/kinship/kids-4-kinship/ Parents and/or Sunday School Teachers are encouraged to download these resources for use at home and in Sunday School classes.



Students and schools are encouraged to use the Kids 4 KINSHIP collection boxes (the old Reach the Children boxes) throughout the year. The offerings are to be sent in to KINSHIP by May 10th for distribution in June. Offerings from the 2011/2012 school year will be sent to the new orphanage of the HCLC-Nepal to assist in purchasing beds, blankets, school uniforms and supplies, cleaning supplies, clothing, and other needed supplies. This orphanage recently began with seven children. The KINSHIP Committee has authorized and is seeking sponsors for up to ten orphans.

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Old Testament Reading for 4th Sunday after Epiphany Jeremiah 1:4-10

Jeremiah was commissioned by the LORD to preach His Word. That would mean stern judgment upon some and rich promise to others. God's Law pulls down and destroys, God's Gospel builds and plants. We too are commission by the LORD to witness His Holy Name with this same powerful and saving Word. We read...

New Testament Reading <u>1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13</u>

All of us have different spiritual gifts given to by the LORD for the benefit of His Church. And the Apostle Paul here encourages us to actively desire the best gifts, the greatest of which is love. The genuine care and concern for your neighbors best interest IS the "more excellent way." We read...