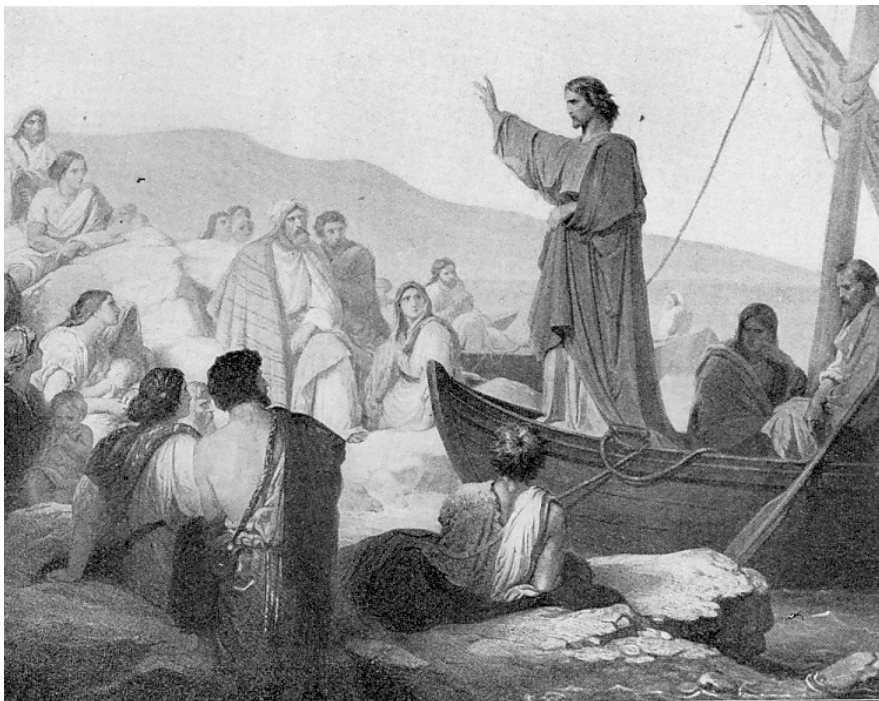


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Welcome!

Peace Lutheran Church of Orofino ID

13946 1st Ave

8:00 am Worship Service; 7:30 am Bible Study

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

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15TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 25, 2011

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 103 front of hymnal p. 145

The Hymns: 8, 742, 761, 47:2

Prayer O God the Holy Spirit, Who art one with the Father and the Son, we thank Thee that Thou hast Begun in us Thy work of sanctification. Perform it in us continually until the day of Jesus Christ. Cause our faith to increase, and move us to good works by Gospel filled hearts. Clothed in our Savior's righteousness, see us safely through to eternal life. For Jesus sake, Amen.

Opening Prayer

First Hymn 8

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.

CONGR. (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.

PASTOR Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ALL O most merciful God, who hast given Thine only-begotten Son to die for us, have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Thy Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of Thee and of Thy will and true obedience to Thy Word, to the end that by Thy grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASTOR Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in His name He gives power to become the sons of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all.
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 we do with Introit - the Lord's own Word, most often from the Psalms.

P: Bow down Your ear, O Lord, and hear me:

C: O my God, save Your servant who trusts in You.

P: Be merciful to me, O Lord:

C: For I cry to You daily.

P: Inspire the soul of Your servant to rejoice:

C: For unto You, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

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.**

THE KYRIE

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:

Isaiah 35:4-7a Say to those who are fearful-hearted, "Be strong, do not fear! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, With the recompense of God; He will come and save you." 5 Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, And the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. 6 Then the lame shall leap like a deer, And the tongue of the dumb sing. For waters shall burst forth in the wilderness, And streams in the desert. 7 The parched ground shall become a pool, And the thirsty land springs of water.

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: It is better to trust in the Lord:

C: Than to put confidence in man.

P: It is better to trust in the Lord:

C: Than to put confidence in princes.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: O my God, my heart is fixed:

C: I will sing and give praise to Your glory. Hallelujah!

CONGR. (sing) **Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

PASTOR The New Testament Reading is from James chapter 1, beginning there in the 17th verse.

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

The New Testament Reading:

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PASTOR Here ends the New Testament Reading.

CONGR. (sing) ***Praise be to Thee, O Christ!***

Congregation stands for:

THE APOSTLES' CREED

We boldly confess what we believe. (Hymnal, page 12)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; The Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting.
Amen.**

Congregation sings Hymn **742**

THE SERMON

Mark 7:31-37 Again, departing from the region of Tyre and Sidon, He came through the midst of the region of Decapolis to the Sea of Galilee. 32 Then they brought to Him one who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech, and they begged Him to put His hand on him. 33 And He took him aside from the multitude, and put His fingers in his ears, and He spat and touched his tongue. 34 Then, looking up to heaven, He sighed, and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." 35 Immediately his ears were opened, and the impediment

of his tongue was loosed, and he spoke plainly. 36 Then He commanded them that they should tell no one; but the more He commanded them, the more widely they proclaimed it. 37 And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well. He makes both the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

Theme: "YOUR QUALITY TIME WITH JESUS"

- I. Proves His interest
- II. Reveals His compassion
- III. Provides His power

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 GENERAL PRAYER (Pastor)

THE LORD'S PRAYER (All)

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. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever and ever, Amen.

Congregation sings Hymn **761**

Congregation stands for:

THE BENEDICTION

The blessing given by God for the blessing of 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.***

The Closing Hymn **47:2**

Announcements

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

SHARE THE PROMISE! Next Sunday October 22nd, our regular Bible Class will hold a special study on "How to Lay the Foundation for a Strong Christian Home." This study of God's Word will equip and enable all of us, especially parents, to share God's Gospel promise with the children in our families and congregation. It is our highest calling – to raise up our children in God's Word. This study will help all involved to make their homes the strongest fortresses of Jesus Christ that they can be. Until then, please help us by inviting and encouraging anyone you know who would benefit. Who doesn't know a family or two that could use this kind of solid Bible-based direction?

ST. JOHN'S REMINDERS:

Next Sunday Potluck: Theme: Ocktober Fest! Please bring your favorite German dishes for this fun change-up of our monthly meal! Don't forget to brush up on your German... Wirklich gut!

Church Cleaning: There is a list for you to sign if you are able to serve your LORD by cleaning the church.

Altar Flowers: There is a list for those who wish to bring flowers for the altar on any given Sunday.

Pre-service Goodies: If you are able to bring goodies of some kind for people to eat while they are visiting from 10:45 till 11:00 (after Bible Class and Sunday School) please sign on the sheet in Kitchen.

St. John's LADIES AID SUMMARY - September 18, 2011- 11 present: Pastor Naumann opened the meeting with a prayer. The meeting was called to order by the President. The minutes were approved as read. The Treasurer's report: Beginning Balance: \$673.72; Income through offering/cards: \$147.95; Disbursements: \$321.39; Ending Balance: \$500.28
OLD BUSINESS: October cards - Desirae Naumann. Card catalog will be available for pre-order Christmas cards. 100th Anniversary – date set- July 1, 2012 past pastors will be able to attend. Pastor will be scheduling the committee meetings soon. Ladies Aid will help. Reminders :Any cleaning supplies needed, please contact Verlene C.; Flowers from Sharon Weber's funeral are still being used, signup sheet made available; Funerals: Art Pochardt – sandwiches, salads, bars, cookies; Sharon Weber- Thanks to the Weber/Smith family supplying extra food. Served salads, meatballs, soups, fruit, meat/vegetable trays and breads about 125 people. **NEW BUSINESS:**

Bible Class/Sunday School Signup sheet on dishwasher; Mission Festival will be October 23, Meal details will be discussed at October meeting. Requests for themes for the Thanksgiving display, contact Sue M with ideas; Updating the congregational address book. Draft copies will be on back table- please make any updates on the sheets. Discussion on getting children's packets going. Desirae N will report at next meeting. Newly baptized children are given a framed picture of Jesus with the child's name, baptismal date and a Bible passage. Discussion of having a theme for our monthly potluck meals. October meal will have a German theme. Members can bring a German dish but not necessary. Desirae N and Moira D will decorate the tables with a German theme. Join us!!! A request for any books that the ladies would like to see added to the Library. No other business was discussed. Closed the meeting with leading us in the singing of the Doxology. Respectfully submitted, Sue Martin, President/Secretary

Oct. 11-13; Pacific Coast Pastoral Conf. meets in Lynnwood, WA.

MISSION FESTIVAL OCTOBER 23 Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer, the new Pastor of Trinity Lutheran in Spokane will be our guest preacher. A potluck meal will be served following the service at St. John's.

CLC NEWS >> Mr. David Rodebaugh, a member of Messiah Lutheran Church in Milwaukee, WI has the call to the vacancy at Immanuel Lutheran College in Eau Claire, WI created by the retirement of Prof. Mike Buck. <> The position of FACILITIES MANAGER has opened in the maintenance department of ILC. They are looking for someone who has experience in many areas and who is willing and able to learn tasks that are presently unfamiliar to him. This is a full-time position with full compensation (salary, medical insurance [ILC group], retirement). See the church bulletin board for details.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

*"Through the Lord's mercies we are not consumed,
Because His compassions fail not.
They are new every morning;
Great is Your faithfulness."*

Lamentations 3:22-23

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Isaiah 35:4-7a

Here in these verses the Prophet Isaiah foretells of the coming of the Messiah, which will be accompanied by miracles, not the least of which is His Holy Word with which He saves us and quenches our spiritual thirst. We read...

The Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 35:4-7a

Through His Word, Jesus has worked a miracle in our hearts, by faith restoring us through His shed blood. Let us therefore lay aside all the filth this world tempts us with and follow His Word. We read...