"There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents" Luke 15:10



# Peace Lutheran Church of Orofino ID

13946 1st Ave 7:30 am Bible Class, 8:00 am Worship Service orofino.clclutheran.org

# St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Clarkston WA

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

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# **17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**SEPTEMBER 23, 2012** 

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 61 (front of the hymnal p. 136)

#### The Hymns: 324, 416, 512, 355

Prayer: Lord God, heavenly Father, forgive us our sins, and grant us always true repentance. Teach us by Your Holy Spirit to be good stewards of our time, talents, bodies, souls and treasure. May we seek only Your glory in all things. We ask this in the name of our Savior, the Lord Jesus. Amen.

# Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn 324

# The Invocation

We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Pastor:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **Congregation sings:** 



#### 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.



Who made heaven and earth.

Pastor I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord.



**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.





#### 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: Be merciful to me, O Lord:
- C: For I cry to You every day.
- P: For You, Lord, are good and ready to forgive:
- C: And plentiful in mercy to all who call upon You.
- P: Bow down Your ear, O Lord, and hear me:
- C: For I am poor and have great needs.





#### **THE BIBLE READINGS**

God speaks to us.

# The Old Testament Bible Reading:

Exodus 32:7-14 And the LORD said to Moses, "Go, get down! For your people whom you brought out of the land of Egypt have corrupted themselves. 8 "They have turned aside guickly out of the way which I commanded them. They have made themselves a molded calf, and worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'This is your god, O Israel, that brought you out of the land of Egypt!" 9 And the LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, and indeed it is a stiff-necked people! 10 "Now therefore, let Me alone, that My wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them. And I will make of you a great nation." 11 Then Moses pleaded with the LORD his God, and said: "LORD, why does Your wrath burn hot against Your people whom You have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? 12 "Why should the Egyptians speak, and say, 'He brought them out to harm them, to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from Your fierce wrath, and relent from this harm to Your people. 13 "Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, Your servants, to whom You swore by Your own self, and said to them, 'I will multiply your descendants as the stars of heaven; and all this land that I have spoken of I give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever." 14 So the LORD relented from the harm which He said He would do to His people.

**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: The heathen shall fear the name of the Lord:
- C: And all the kings of the earth Your glory.
- P: When the Lord shall build up Zion:
- C: He shall appear in His glory. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
- P: The Lord reigns; let the earth rejoice:
- C: Let the multitude of the isles be glad of it. Hallelujah!



**PASTOR** The New Testament Bible Reading comes from 1 Timothy chapter 1, beginning there in the 12<sup>th</sup> verse.



#### **The New Testament Bible Reading**

1 Timothy 1:12-17 And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry, 13 although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; but I obtained mercy because I did it ignorantly in unbelief. 14 And the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant, with faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. 15 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. 16 However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life. 17 Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

**PASTOR:** Here ends the New Testament Bible Reading.

P: Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



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 416**

#### THE SERMON

Luke 15:1-10 Then all the tax collectors and the sinners drew near to Him to hear Him. 2 And the Pharisees and scribes complained, saying, "This Man receives sinners and eats with them." 3 So He spoke this parable to them, saying: 4 "What man of you, having a hundred sheep, if he loses one of them, does not leave the ninetynine in the wilderness, and go after the one which is lost until he finds it? 5 "And when he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders, rejoicing. 6 "And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep which was lost!' 7 "I say to you that likewise there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance. 8 "Or what woman, having ten silver coins, if she loses one coin, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? 9 "And when she has found it, she calls her friends and neighbors together, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the piece which I lost!' 10 "Likewise, I say to you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

> Theme: "GOD'S SEARCH AND RESCUE MISSION" I. Jesus looks hard for lost sinners II. When one is brought back, it's a celebration!





#### 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 788:1: Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with open heart and hand Blesses freely, as a river that refreshes all the land. Grant us, then, the grace of giving with a spirit large and true. That our life and all our living we may consecrate to You.

# PRAYERS - (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 512

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.



The Closing Hymn 355

\*\*\* SILENT PRAYER \*\*\*

# <u>Announcements</u>

*"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15* **WELCOME EVERYONE!** Especially any visitors who may be with us. We are glad you are here and invite you to join us again soon in our worship of the One true God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you've found it with us. If you'd like to become a member, we offer a free "Information Course" in which the Pastor will meet with you at your convenience to study and discuss the Bible's teachings. Just ask!

**CONGRATULATIONS!!** to Brian and Shantel Hocum who were blessed with God's gift of a daughter, Luella Mae, on Saturday September 8, 2012. Knowing the great gift of saving faith that is received through Baptism, Brian and Shantel had Pastor Naumann baptize baby Luella the same day there in the hospital. The family are now doing well at home. God is good! **"Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, The fruit of the womb is a reward." Psalms 127:3** 

**IN OUR PRAYERS** We intercede for: Deb Acuff who will be having an angiogram on October 2 to help clear some artery blockage; also Alan Cole, who is helping his own family health issues as well as Deb Acuff's. We ask the LORD's healing and preservation on behalf of those affected by the smokey conditions caused by wildfires. Please also pray for rain.

**BIBLE CLASS** We are studying the two great teachings of the Bible – The Law and the Gospel. We are using a study guide entitled "Teaching Law and Gospel" by William E. Fischer. Copies are available for your use, and if you'd like to purchase one they are \$6. Please join us!

# THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUEConfirmation with Ben10:00 am Bible Study Class at St. John's

**THU**Confirmation with Ben7:30 pm Bible Study Class at the Dean Hattan residence

**MISSION VIDEO** Last Summer our congregations helped Tom Naumann go to Africa to help spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Since then a video has been made documenting the trip. You can watch the Mission Helper Video online at <u>https://vimeo.com/49426578</u>

October 1-4; Coordinating Council meets in Eau Claire, WI. Pastor Naumann serves as Chairman of the Board of Education and Publications. October 9-11; Pacific Coast Pastoral Conference at Trinity Lutheran Spokane

# SUMMARY OF ST. JOHN'S LADIES AID MEETING LAST SUNDAY

September 9, 2012. 14 Present. Pastor Naumann opened the meeting with prayer. The meeting was called to order by the president. The minutes were read and approved as amended.

**Treasurer's Report** June: Beginning Balance \$418.68, Incoming \$105.00, Disbursements:\$0. Ending Balance \$\$523.68. July: Beginning Balance \$523.68, Incoming offering \$15.00, Disbursements : \$0. Ending Balance : \$538.68. August: Beginning Balance \$538.68, Incoming \$.0, Disbursements : \$202.42 Altman funeral, Ending Balance : \$336.32

**Pastor's Report** Sunday school began Sept 2, 2012 at 10:00 A.M. Adult Bible Study at 10:15 A.M. Confirmation Class with Ben, Tuesday and Thursday, two other boys may join the class. Church Camp at Irby's campground, July 19<sup>th</sup> through 21st was attended by about a dozen people. July Church Services were held in Spalding Park on July 22nd. At 10:30 A.M.

**Old Business** Sue Martin will do the cards for October. Help needed list for cleaning and flowers are on the back table. Kids for Kinship will determine how to dispense the \$117.00 sent by the Ladies Aid.

**New Business** Cleaning Supplies may be given to Verlene Colman. Thanksgiving display ideas are welcome. Shantel Hocum 's babies' napkin will be ready soon. Cradle Roll includes eight (8) names at the present time. Desirae Naumann and Ruth Lapsley invite everyone to meet in the Fellowship Hall on Thursday Oct. 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 P.M. for an evening of sewing and fellowship. Items to be sewn will be discussed.

Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> 2012 next meeting. Meeting was adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. Respectfully Submitted, Donna J. Johnson

**The "Lutheran Quartet"** presents *"Favorite Hymns from the Lutheran Hymnal."* Two brothers, Pastor Paul and Pastor Bruce Naumann, along with their sisters, Ann Radcliffe and Gail Richardsen, have recorded a CD of 24 acapella favorites from the 1941 Lutheran Hymnal. The CD is available for \$10 (plus \$2 for shipping). All proceeds will benefit the Student Aid Fund of Immanuel Lutheran High School and College in Eau Claire, WI. This is a great collection for personal listening, and makes an ideal gift, especially for the older Christian who knows these hymns well. Please visit the Lutheran Quartet website, where you can listen to samples, as well as place online orders: www.lutheranquartet.com. You may also order by mail at this address: The

Lutheran Quartet, c/o Pastor Paul Naumann - 3315 46th St E, Tacoma, WA 98443. Phone: 253-228-8736. e-mail: pgnaum@aol.com.

# ST. JOHN'S REMINDERS:

**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.

## ILC - OUR CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE AND SEMINARY

Last August our congregations sent a U Haul of classroom desks to Immanuel Lutheran College (ILC). We thank the LORD for the opportunity to contribute toward the education of our young people at Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary located in Eau Claire, WI. Please keep in mind that ILC is OUR school. This is where our young people receive a Christian higher education from like-minded believers. This is where our young are trained for a life of service to God, often in the preaching and teaching ministries. Are you aware of the ILC web page? www.ilc.edu There are so many good things on it, and it is informative of campus life. With the moral decline of public education and the proliferation of anti-Christian material that is promoted through the government system and in society, we need to keep ILHS and ILC in our thoughts and prayers. Recently at ILC a totally student initiated project called "Leave it Better" was started through which students are trying to leave the campus better than they found it. This student initiative is organized and run by the students. Professor Ross Roehl is supervisor as is the maintenance man, Paul Heinze. They did some work in a vacant professorage yard; they constructed steps in the hill behind the gym for easier access to the ball fields. They are working this weekend to restore the amphitheater. They want to plant trees, as well as work on the hiking paths on campus. The students do the work with help from any alumni who are able to help. Obviously they need this kind of moral support as well as financial contributions so that they can leave the campus better than they found it. All this information, and more, can be found --and is updated regularly-- on the ILC website and on Facebook. They have now an easily accessible web site. Type into your browser http://leaveitbetter.wix.com/leaveitbetter This site will give you information on the student leaders, as well as projects, and how CLC members can help. You will also find pictures of things that have been done. Presently there is a picture of the amphitheater as it used to be. The students

want to restore it and make it better - that is actually going on today, Saturday September 22! Those who are computer savvy can help finance projects by going to Paypal. Those who are not computer savvy can donate, if not time and talent, by making a check to Immanuel Lutheran College and designating in the memo "Leave it better." This project is not budgeted nor funded by the CLC, but only through the labor and donations of students and interested alumni and members. It will not appear in a line item budget line of the CLC. The projects will go as far as the participation of students and the participation of volunteers will take it. You will note that some worthwhile projects are planned to "leave it (the campus) better" than the students found it. What a blessing it is to have such committed students. We pray that the Lord will further inspire them through the interest and participation of CLC members, and that He will protect them physically as they engage in work activities. We further pray that through such student participation a new generation of church leaders will arise. That desire in itself makes it a cause worthy of the support and encouragement of all of us.

I encourage you to look at these websites and take a look at what your young brothers and sisters in Christ are doing at our school, Immanuel Lutheran College, in Eau Claire, WI. By the way, on that same page can also be found a form through which efforts are being made to reconstruct an alumni list.

The life of our church to a great extent depends, under the grace of God, on the training of our youth. Indeed the youth themselves need all the spiritual nourishment and fortification in this day that they can get, the kind that is provided at Immanuel. We need to keep talking about this amongst ourselves and in our congregations. Even if families do not have children to send to ILC, it is OUR school and we should not be apologetic about promoting it.

Through the student initiated "Leave it better" effort we see one manifestation of how our students mature in the practice of their faith. If you desire more information on the project contact go

to <u>http://www.facebook.com/leaveilcbetter</u>. Let us continue to promote the Christ-centered education at Immanuel.

**CLC NEWS** The Rev. Paul Krause of Faith Lutheran Church in Markesan, WI, has returned the call from the CLC Mission Board to serve as a Foreign Missionary.

# WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief." 1 Timothy 1:15

# The Old Testament Bible Reading for the 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Exodus 32:7-14 Because God is concerned for sinners, we His children are too! In these verses Moses successfully intercedes for his fellow Israelites when they fell into the sin of idolatry. We too can have our faith strengthened in God's covenant promises by praying for others! We read...

And the LORD said to Moses, "Go, get down! For your people whom you brought out of the land of Egypt have corrupted themselves. 8 "They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them. They have made themselves a molded calf, and worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'This is your god, O Israel, that brought you out of the land of Egypt!" 9 And the LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, and indeed it is a stiff-necked people! 10 "Now therefore, let Me alone, that My wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them. And I will make of you a great nation." 11 Then Moses pleaded with the LORD his God, and said: "LORD, why does Your wrath burn hot against Your people whom You have brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? 12 "Why should the Egyptians speak, and say, 'He brought them out to harm them, to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from Your fierce wrath, and relent from this harm to Your people. 13 "Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, Your servants, to whom You swore by Your own self, and said to them, 'I will multiply your descendants as the stars of heaven; and all this land that I have spoken of I give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever." 14 So the LORD relented from the harm which He said He would do to His people.

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# The New Testament Bible Reading

1 Timothy 1:12-17 When one who recognizes that he is the worst of sinners is called to faith in Christ Jesus, he can't help but be concerned to share the Savior's love with other sinners. We read... And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord who has enabled me, because He counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry, 13 although I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; but I obtained mercy because I did it ignorantly in unbelief. 14 And the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant, with faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. 15 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. 16 However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life. 17 Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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