



Peace Lutheran Church of Orofino ID

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

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St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Clarkston WA

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11:00 am Service; 10:00 am Sunday School; 10:15 am Bible Class

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LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

NOVEMBER 20, 2011

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 30, front of hymnal p 129

The Hymns: 794, 798, 315, 341:1

Prayer: Lord Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, strengthen our faith in You the only true God, and increase our wisdom in Your holy Word. Through the power of Your Holy Spirit working in our hearts by that Word, restore unto us the joy of Your Salvation. Grant unto each of us a cheerful heart and voice as we await Your Day of Judgment. Through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, Amen.

Opening Prayer

Congregation sings the First Hymn 794

THE INVOCATION

*We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
(Hymnal, page 15 – 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.

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, most often drawn from the Psalms.

P: A great multitude which no man could number stood before the throne and before the Lamb:

C: Clothed with white robes and with palms in their hands.

P: And cried with a loud voice, saying:

C: Salvation to our God Who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb.

P: Rejoice in the Lord, oh you righteous:

C: For no gifts are missing from those who fear Him.

THE GLORIA PATRI

Latin for "Glory to the Father" (Hymnal, page 16)

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 17 - 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 25:30-32 "Therefore prophesy against them all these words, and say to them: 'The LORD will roar from on high, And utter His voice from His holy habitation; He will roar mightily against His fold. He will give a shout, as those who tread the grapes, Against all the inhabitants of the earth. 31 A noise will come to the ends of the earth; For the LORD has a controversy with the nations; He will plead His case with all flesh. He will give those who are wicked to the sword,' says the LORD." 32 Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Behold, disaster shall go forth From nation to nation, And a great whirlwind shall be raised up From the farthest parts of the earth.

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: Oh, fear the Lord, you His saints:

C: For there is nothing missing for those who fear Him.

P: Those who seek the Lord:

C: Shall not be lacking in any good thing.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden:

C: And I will give you rest. Hallelujah!

CONGR. (sing) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

PASTOR The New Testament Reading is from Matthew chapter 25 beginning there in the 31st verse.

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

New Testament Reading:

Matthew 25:31-46 "When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the holy angels with Him, then He will sit on the throne of His glory. 32 "All the nations will be gathered before Him, and He will separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats. 33 "And He will set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. 34 "Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: 35 'for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; 36 'I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to Me.' 37 "Then the righteous will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You drink? 38 'When did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and clothe You? 39 'Or when did we see You sick, or in prison, and come to You?' 40 "And the King will answer and say to them, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.' 41 "Then He will also say to those on the left hand, 'Depart from Me, you cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the devil and his angels: 42 'for I was hungry and you gave Me no food; I was thirsty and you gave Me no drink; 43 'I was a stranger and you did not take Me in, naked and you did not clothe Me, sick and in prison and you did not visit Me.' 44 "Then they also will answer Him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to You?' 45 "Then He will answer them, saying, 'Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.' 46 "And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

PASTOR Here ends the New Testament Reading.

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

The Congregation stands for:

THE NICENE CREED

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.

Congregation sings Hymn 798

THE SERMON

1 Thessalonians 1:3-10 remembering without ceasing your work of faith, labor of love, and patience of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the sight of our God and Father, 4 knowing, beloved brethren, your election by God. 5 For our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power, and in the Holy Spirit and in much assurance, as you know what kind of men we were among you for your sake. 6 And you became followers of us and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Spirit, 7 so that you became examples to all in Macedonia and Achaia who believe. 8 For from you the word of the Lord has sounded forth, not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but also in every place. Your faith toward God has gone out, so that we do not need to say anything. 9 For they themselves declare concerning us what manner of entry we had to you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve

the living and true God, 10 and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

Theme: THE METAL OF A CHRISTIAN

- I. Chosen and equipped to be God's own (3-5)
- II. Following and setting good examples (5-9)
- III. Waiting and hoping for Jesus' return (10)

THE OFFERTORY

*In this prayer we OFFER God our hearts, asking Him for that best of all gifts, the Holy Spirit.
(Hymnal, pages 22-23) (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 315

The Communion Liturgy continues with

THE PREFACE/ PROPER PREFACE

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) *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.

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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 341:1

*** Silent Prayer ***

A n n o u n c e m e n t s

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

THANKSGIVING TODAY at Peace Lutheran Church in Orofino. Service begins at 1:00 pm, followed by the Thanksgiving potluck dinner. No morning service. Communion will be celebrated NEXT Sunday, Nov. 27.

THANKSGIVING WEDNESDAY at St. John's: Service at 7:00 pm.

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES Begin the week after Thanksgiving.

St. John's - Nov. 30, Wednesday at 7:00 pm.

Peace - Dec. 1, Thursday at 6:30 pm. This year at Peace every Thursday we are offering a "Soup and Sandwich" meal beginning at 5:30 pm - one hour before church service.

IN OUR PRAYERS: Last Friday we found out that Jeff Johnson did not need surgery immediately, but he will need some work done with a heart valve sometime in the future. God answers prayer! Praise Him!!

Joshua 23:14 "You know with all your heart and soul that not one of all the good promises the LORD your God gave you has failed. Every promise has been fulfilled; not one has failed."

FINANCIAL RED FLAG At St. John's we have spent about \$8,650 more than we've taken in this year. Please pray about this, then with faith-filled hearts do what you can to address the need. Working together to God's glory, we have two months left to overcome this deficit.

Luke 6:38 "Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you."

ST. JOHN'S CHOIR We invite you to join us in singing for special occasions. The regular practice days will be Tuesdays, 6:30 – 7:30 pm as specified: For November: 29. December: 6 & 13. Also after church as needed (today!!).

"I will sing and make music to the LORD!" Psalm 27:6

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

"Offer to God thanksgiving, and pay your vows to the Most High. Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify Me." Psalms 50:14-15

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The Old Testament Reading:

Jeremiah 25:30-32

Judgment Day is coming, and we are to be preaching about it! God will come down with a roar and bring His charges against mankind. These verses picture the truly frightening side of the judgment for the ungodly. We read...

The New Testament Reading:

Matthew 25:31-46

In these verses Jesus tells us of how it will be on Judgment Day when He divides the sheep – believers, from the goats, unbelievers. The righteous go to heaven – the unrighteous to hell. While Jesus judgment is on the basis of faith alone and not on the basis of works, yet outward works certainly are evidence of faith in the heart that Jesus can see. We read...