

Jesus cleanses the Temple



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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8:00 am Worship Service; 7:30 am Bible Class & Sunday School

Members of the Church of the Lutheran Confession – CLC

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THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 27, 2011

Preparation for Worship: Psalm 47 front of hymnal p. 134
The Hymns: 757, 390, 360, 767:4

Prayer: Father of all mercy and God of all grace, we confess that by our sins we brought woe upon our Lord in His passion. For Thou didst send Him to bear our shame and guilt to remove our sins by His holy, precious blood and His bitter suffering and death. In this Lenten Season work true repentance in us, and strengthen us in the faith and knowledge of our blessed Redeemer. Let Calvary be the place of our Hope and Christ's Cross our faith in life and death. We ask it in our Savior's name. Amen.

Opening Prayer

First Hymn 757

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: My eyes are always toward the Lord:

C: For He shall pluck my feet out of the net.

P: Turn to me and have mercy on me:

C: For I am desolate and afflicted.

P: Unto You, O Lord, do I lift up my soul:

C: O my God, I trust in You; let me never be ashamed.

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:

Exodus 20:1-17 And God spoke all these words, saying: 2 "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. 3 "You shall have no other gods before Me. 4 "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; 5 you shall not bow down to them nor serve them. For I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate Me, 6 but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments. 7 "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain. 8 "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the LORD your God. In it you shall do no work: you, nor your son, nor your daughter, nor your male servant, nor your female servant, nor your cattle, nor your stranger who is within your gates. 11 For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and hallowed it. 12 "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you. 13 "You shall not murder. 14 "You shall not commit adultery. 15 "You shall not steal. 16 "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. 17 "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male servant, nor his female servant, nor his ox, nor his donkey, nor anything that is your neighbor's."

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: Arise, O Lord, and let not man prevail:

C: **Let the heathen be judged in Your sight.**

P: When my enemies are turned back:

C: **They shall fall and perish in Your presence.**

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: Unto You do I lift up my eyes, You who dwell in the heavens:

C: **Have mercy on us, O Lord, have mercy on us. Hallelujah!**

CONGR. (sing) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

PASTOR The New Testament Reading is from 1 Corinthians chapter 1, beginning there in the 22nd verse.

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

New Testament Reading:

1 Corinthians 1:22-25 For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; 23 but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, 24 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25 Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

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 390

THE SERMON

John 2:13-22 Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14 And He found in the temple those who sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the moneychangers doing business. 15 When He had made a whip of cords, He drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and the oxen, and poured out the changers' money and overturned the tables. 16 And He said to those who sold doves, "Take these things away! Do not make My Father's house a house of merchandise!" 17 Then His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for Your house has eaten Me up." 18 So the Jews answered and said to Him, "What sign do You show to us, since You do these things?" 19 Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." 20 Then the Jews said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?" 21 But He was speaking of the temple of His body. 22 Therefore, when He had risen from the dead, His disciples remembered that He had said this to them; and they believed the Scripture and the word which Jesus had said.

Theme: "LARGE AND IN CHARGE"

- I. Jesus Cleans His House (13-17)
- II. Jesus Reveals His Mission (18-21)
- III. Jesus Gives Hope to His Church (22)

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 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.**

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 360

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 767:4

*** *Silent Prayer* ***

Announcements

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

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST Yesterday at St. John's Tristin Michael Smith, son of Jason and Tiara Smith, was given the gift of saving faith through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

""Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins... for the promise is to you and to your children!"" Acts 2:38-39

NEW WEBSITES Thanks to the efforts of many, beautiful updated websites of both congregations are now online. Recent bulletins as well as audio sermons are now available.

St. John's: <http://orofino.clclutheran.org>

Peace: www.clarkstonlutheran.org

MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES St. John's is Wednesdays at 7:00 pm, Peace Lutheran is on Thursday's at 7:00 pm. In these divine mid-week Lenten Services, the blessings of God's pure Word are guaranteed for you and for your family as we set our hearts to meditate upon the suffering and death of our Savior Jesus Christ. Be sure and set aside the time so that you may come and be filled with the riches of God!

ST. JOHN'S REMINDER: Next Sunday: Potluck Dinner!

ST. JOHN'S LADIES AID SUMMARY March 13, 2011 - 12 present
Opening prayer by Pastor Naumann. The meeting was called to order by the President. The minutes were approved as read. The Treasurer's report was approved as follows: Balance on Hand, February, 2011 - \$818.87; Disbursements - 46.66; Balance on Hand, March, 2011 - \$772.21. **OLD BUSINESS Monthly Potluck Cards** – Verlene Coleman has done them through our April Potluck **Tour Choir** - Final arrangements were discussed. T-shirt order would be ready for pickup Monday. Lunch bags had arrived, food all accounted for. Desirae N and Moira D will be decorating tables after the meeting. **Ladies Conference at Gethsemane** – Sue Martin will be representing both congregations. She will also be attending Pastor Terrel Kesterson's last service and going away potluck on Sunday

Spring Cleaning - A sign up sheet is on the back table. It will be up until Palm Sunday. Kitchen cabinets have been reorganized and cleaned. **Reminders** – Marvin and Laura Jackson's 60th wedding anniversary celebration on March 26th at 2 – 4 PM at the Guardian Angel House. Velma Diehl is now living at Life Care Center in Lewiston. Her room is 204. She would love to have visitors. **NEW BUSINESS** **Easter** – It was decided to put off discussion on this till our April meeting as Easter is not till the 24th. Pastor will talk to Council on who will be serving breakfast. **Graduation in India** – Our student will be graduating this year. It was decided that we were inform Pastor Fuerstanau we would continue to sponsor another student. Verlene Coleman will contact him about this. **Websites** – Pastor reported that Lorraine Busse has done Peace's website and is available for viewing. Sue Martin has Pastor David Schaller re-working on ours and it will be up and running soon. No other business was brought up. Pastor led us in closing with the singing of the Doxology. Respectfully submitted, Sue Martin, President/Secretary

REPORT FROM THE CLC BOARD OF MISSIONS Greetings in the name of our Savior! The members of CLC congregations are privileged to be about our Father's business with a variety of opportunities to spread the truth of His Word. Through our offerings to the CLC Cooperative Budget Plan the Lord has given all of us the privilege of supporting U.S. and foreign mission efforts along with our Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary in Eau Claire, WI. You can find more current CLC Missions information at: <http://lutheranmissions.org/> It was reported last fall when Pastors Mayhew and Ohlmann returned from the visitation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) that outreach efforts had begun just over the DRC border in Zambia by Pastor Yumba of the CCLC. In January Teacher Ibrahim Karioki, of the CLC-East Africa, sent news that he was going to Zambia to try to establish the church there. Two individuals, unknown to each other, both in fellowship with the CLC, have begun Gospel outreach in two different parts of Zambia. These two efforts are separated by nearly 400 miles. We pray that the Lord will bless these efforts to spread the Good News of Christ crucified, raised, and reigning for us sinners in need of a Savior. We also pray that the Lord will provide the CLC with the resources to be of assistance. A CLC visitation to Zambia by a Board of Missions representative is being considered. The following comes from teacher Ibrahim of the CLC-East Africa. In a February report he wrote: *"I thank God because I had a good trip from Kilimanjaro-Tanzania to Lusaka Zambia. I departed my home place to Zambia on 21/02/2011 and I reached Lusaka Zambia on 24/02/2011*

this is because I used the road by traveling... The Lord was faithful in my trip and I hope He will continue to guide me in His work. When I reached Lusaka I met my friends who were waiting for me, because I informed them about my trip. I thank God for it, because it was my prayer to God that when I will reach this country to have brothers and sisters in Christ who can welcome me and it will be my starting point for planting the CLC congregation in Zambia. And God has answered my prayer. I want to let you know that now I am in Zambia for the work of the Lord (Full working not part time preacher)...I will appreciate your prayers."

In March Ibrahim wrote: *The aim of this message is to try to let you know more about me since I departed in East Africa Tanzania. Really I have seen the hand of God upon me. I want to tell you that the work of God has already started here in Zambia. I have introduced the CLC to my friends and they agree to join. On 13/03/2011 I preached for the first time for forming the CLC congregation and we were six people and four kids. The place which we are meeting is the one of the friend who welcomes me, he is a good man and he wants to serve God but he doesn't know where he can start. Pray for this man (His name is evangelist Peter Mwerwa). He has promised us to work together and he will assist me to reach many people by the word of God (Matthew 28:19-20) My daily time table is to have real evangelism (door to door). Sometimes this happen in schools because Zambia is Christian Nation and we are allowed to teach in schools. My target is to make sure the church is growing and people know the truth and the truth shall set them free. The goodness of Zambia most of people are speaking English. Even though they have other languages but in town they are using English. Please send to me anything about our church then I will print and share with people in Zambia. Lastly, I request CLC mission to visit us in Zambia even for two days for a seminar. From Lusaka town to the place which I am planning to open the church is almost forty five minutes. Nearest to the main road to Botswana and Zimbabwe...*

We await a report from Pastor Yumba of his outreach efforts in Kitwe, Zambia. This group is located just over the DRC border. A congregation of 25 is being formed.

CLC Board of Missions Pastor Todd Ohlmann, chairman

CLC NEWS Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA, has called the Rev. David Fuerstenau, Ketchikan AK. <> Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire, WI called Carrie Reim to fill the position taught by Beth Sydow, who is retiring. The call is to teach 1st grade all day and add 2nd grade for the afternoon. <> Immanuel Lutheran, Winter Haven, FL, has called Anita Meyer, Fond du Lac WI, as its lower grade teacher. Sharon Schierenbeck is retiring from teaching at the end of this school year.

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

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1 Corinthians 1:23-24

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Old Testament Reading for 3rd Sunday in Lent:

Exodus 20:1-17

Through Jesus Christ, God has delivered us from the bondage of sin. Now, as always, He demands perfect keeping of His holy Law. Hear again the 10 commandments. We read...

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