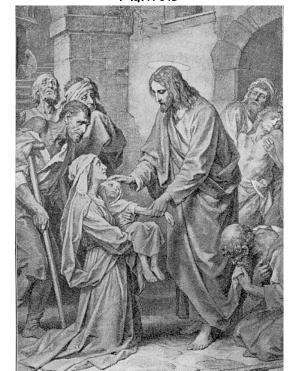
7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Clarkston WA

1107 14th Street

10:30 am Sunday Service

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Peace Lutheran Church of Orofino ID

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8:00 am Sunday Service

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Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 34 front of hymnal p. 131

The Hymns: 27, 742, 396, 51

Prayer: Heavenly Father, God of all mercy, You have established the Church of Jesus Christ, wherein we receive forgiveness of sins, life and salvation. Grant unto us the opening of our hearts to receive the instruction which You give us in Your holy Word for the eternal welfare of our souls. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

Opening Prayer

First Hymn 27

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: The Lord is the Strength of His people

C: He is the saving strength of His anointed

P: Save Your people and bless Your inheritance

C: Feed them also and lift them up forever.

P: I will love You, O Lord my Strength

C: The Lord is my Rock and my fortress.

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:

Ezekiel 2:1-5 And He said to me, "Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak to you." 2 Then the Spirit entered me when He spoke to me, and set me on my feet; and I heard Him who spoke to me. 3 And He said to me: "Son of man, I am sending you to the children of Israel, to a rebellious nation that has rebelled against Me; they and their fathers have transgressed against Me to this very day. 4 "For they are impudent and stubborn children. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD.' 5 "As for them, whether they hear or whether they refuse; for they are a rebellious house; yet they will know that a prophet has been among them.

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: Return, O Lord, how long?

C: And let it repent You concerning Your servants.

P: Lord, You have been our Dwelling Place

C: In all generations. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

P: In You, O Lord, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed

C: Deliver me in Your righteousness; bow down Your ear to me and deliver me speedily. Hallelujah!

CONGR. (sing) Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

PASTOR The New Testament Reading is from 2 Corinthians chapter 12, beginning there in the 7th verse.

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

The New Testament Reading:

2 Corinthians 12:7-10 And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. 8 Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. 9 And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. 10 Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

PASTOR Here ends the New Testament Reading. CONGR. (sin4) **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.

THE SERMON

Mark 6:1-6 Then He went out from there and came to His own country, and His disciples followed Him. 2 And when the Sabbath had come, He began to teach in the synagogue. And many hearing Him were astonished, saying, "Where did this Man get these things? And what wisdom is this which is given to Him, that such mighty works are performed by His hands! 3 "Is this not the carpenter, the Son of Mary, and brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon? And are not His sisters here with us?" And they were offended at Him. 4 But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own country, among his own relatives, and in his own house." 5 Now He could do no mighty work there, except that He laid His hands on a few sick people and healed them. 6 And He marveled because of their unbelief. Then He went about the villages in a circuit, teaching.

Theme: "UNBELIEF IS AMAZING"

I. Amazingly Unreasonable (1-4)

II. Amazingly Harmful (5)

III. Amazingly Disappointing (6)

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 396

Peace Congregation continues with Holy Communion

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 51

*** Silent Prayer ***

Announcements

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

2nd QUARTERLY MEETING today at St. John's following service.

IN OUR PRAYERS Donna Lowary's mother, Louise Leendertsen, recovering from a broken ankle; Ed Lapsley, Ruth's husband, recovering from heart bypass surgery; Jim Irby, Deena's husband, recovering from Post Traumatic Stress Disorder. Psalms 103:2-3 "Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases"

PALOUSE BIBLE STUDY ON HOLD – The room we were renting in Moscow has been let out to a full-time business. We will not meet this week. We hope to find a permanent meeting place soon.

CLC NEWS <> Staci Sue Nieuwenhuis, a member of the congregation, has accepted the call to teach kindergarten at Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix AZ. <> All 10 CLC Mission Helpers have arrived safely home from Nepal. You can read about their Kingdom work for the LORD on the following website:

http://2011mhtnepal.blogspot.com/ The blog can also be found at:

http://lutheranmissions.org/ under "Missionary Journals"

Youth Conference 2011 –August 2-6,: www.youthconference.info

WEEKLY MEMORY VERSE

("Jacob" and "Israel" are names for "The Church" - every believer including you!) Isaiah 43:1 But now, this is what the LORD says—He who created you, O Jacob, He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are Mine."

The Old Testament Reading:

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THE GRADUAL

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The Old Testament Reading for 7th Sunday after Pentecost

Ezekiel 2:1-5

All of us are "Children of Israel" – the Church of all Believers. If it weren't for the power of God's Word, our amazingly stubborn and rebellious sinful natures would keep us from His Grace. The powerful phrase "Thus says the LORD" alerts and comforts all believers. We read...

The New Testament Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

How awesome is our God! He shows His strength through our weaknesses. The apostle Paul relates his own experience of personal weaknesses so that we may compare our own and see by faith how when we are weak, God's Word makes us strong. We read...