

Peace Lutheran Church of Orofino ID

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St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Clarkston WA

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REFORMATION SUNDAY 2012

Preparation for Worship: Read Psalm 46 front of hymnal p. 134

The Hymns: 262, 261, bulletin, 477:4, 775, 283

Prayer: Lord God, heavenly Father, forgive us our sins, and grant us always true repentance. Keep us always in the truth of Your pure Word. Teach us by Your Holy Spirit to love Your saving Word, so that by Grace Alone, Faith Alone, and Scripture Alone, we may be preserved by You unto eternal life. We ask this in the name of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn 262

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. **Congregation sings:**



From Psalm 119

Pastor: Oh, how I love Your law!

- People: It is my meditation all the day.
- Pastor: You, through Your commandments, make me wiser than my enemies:
- People: For they are ever with me.
- Pastor: I have more understanding than all my teachers,
- People: For Your testimonies are my meditation.
- Pastor: I understand more than the ancients,
- People: Because I keep Your precepts.
- Pastor: How sweet are Your words to my taste,
- People: Sweeter than honey to my mouth!
- Pastor: Through Your precepts I get understanding;
- People: Therefore I hate every false way.
- People: Your word is a lamp to my feet
- People: And a light to my path.

[All sing hymn 261 - a hymn by Martin Luther] Lord, keep us steadfast in Thy Word; Curb those who fain by craft and sword Would wrest the Kingdom from Thy Son

And set at naught all He hath done. From Psalm 2

- Pastor: Why do the nations rage,
- People: And the people plot a vain thing?
- Pastor: The kings of the earth set themselves,
- People: And the rulers take counsel together,
- Pastor: Against the LORD and against His Anointed, saying,
- People: "Let us break Their bonds in pieces And cast away Their cords from us."
- Pastor: He who sits in the heavens shall laugh;
- People: The LORD shall hold them in derision.
- Pastor: Then He shall speak to them in His wrath, And distress them in His deep displeasure:
- People: "Yet I have set My King On My holy hill of Zion."

Lord Jesus Christ, Thy power make known, For Thou art Lord of lords alone; Defend Thy Christendom that we May evermore sing praise to Thee.

From Psalm 31

Pastor: In You, O LORD, I put my trust; Let me never be ashamed;
People: Deliver me in Your righteousness.
Pastor: Bow down Your ear to me, Deliver me speedily;
People: Be my rock of refuge, A fortress of defense to save me.
Pastor: For You are my rock and my fortress;
People: Therefore, for Your name's sake, Lead me and guide me.

Pastor: Pull me out of the net which they have secretly laid for me, **People: For You are my strength.**

People: For Fourierity strength.

Pastor: Into Your hand I commit my spirit;

People: You have redeemed me, O LORD God of truth.

O Comforter of priceless worth. Send peace and unity on earth. Support us in our final strife And lead us out of death to life.

Pastor: God our Father, *has* preserved His Word for us. It is a lamp for our feet and a light for our path. Our Lord Jesus *has* made His power known. He is sitting at the right hand of the Father and will come to judge the world.

God the Holy Spirit *has* extended God's grace to us through Word and Sacrament. But we have not kept the Word of our Lord. I now ask you, therefore, before God who searches the heart: Do you confess the sins you have committed in thought, word, and deed; do you repent of them, believe on the Lord Jesus for forgiveness, and sincerely intend, with the help of God's Holy Spirit, to lead a godly life from now on? If so, then answer "yes."

Upon this your confession, I, as a called servant of God's Word, announce the grace of God unto you. In the stead of my Lord Jesus Christ, and by His command, I forgive you all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen. Let us praise our gracious God!

> Glory to God the Father, Son, And Holy Spirit, Three in One! To Thee, O blessed Trinity, Be praise now and eternally!

THE BIBLE LESSONS

God speaks to us.

The Old Testament Reading:

Isaiah 55:1-11 "Ho! Everyone who thirsts, Come to the waters; And you who have no money, Come, buy and eat. Yes, come, buy wine and milk Without money and without price. 2 Why do you spend money for what is not bread, And your wages for what does not satisfy? Listen carefully to Me, and eat what is good, And let your soul delight itself in abundance. 3 Incline your ear, and come to Me. Hear, and your soul shall live; And I will make an everlasting covenant with you; The sure mercies of David. 4 Indeed I have given him as a witness to the people, A leader and commander for the people. 5 Surely you shall call a nation you do not know, And nations who do not know you shall run to you, Because of the LORD your God, And the Holy One of Israel; For He has glorified you." 6 Seek the LORD while He may be found, Call upon Him while He is near. 7 Let the wicked forsake his way, And the unrighteous man his thoughts; Let him return to the LORD, And He will have mercy on him; And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon. 8 "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, Nor are your ways My ways," says the LORD. 9 "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, So are My ways higher than your ways, And My thoughts than your thoughts. 10 "For as the rain comes down, and the snow from heaven, And do not return there, But water the earth, And make it bring forth and bud, That it may give seed to the sower And bread to the eater, 11 So shall My word be that goes forth from My mouth; It shall not return to Me void, But it shall accomplish what I please, And it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it.

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He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High* Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress;" My God, in Him Í will trust."

Because you have made the LORD, who is my refuge,* Even the Most High, your habitation,

No evil shall befall you,*

Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling;

Antiphon

For He shall give His angels charge over you,* To keep you in all your ways.

They shall bear you up in their hands,* Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him;* I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honor him.

With long life I will satisfy him,* And show him My salvation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son* and to the Holy Špirit, as it was in the beginning,* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

The New Testament Reading:

John 8:31-36 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. 32 "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." 33 They answered Him, "We are Abraham's descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How can you say, 'You will be made free'?" 34 Jesus answered them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. 35 "And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever. 36 "Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.

Congregation stands for:

A Reformation Confession of Faith

We boldly confess what we believe. (from the Formula of Concord – on Justification by Faith)

"We unanimously believe, teach, and confess the following about the righteousness of faith before God. A poor sinful person is justified before God, that is, absolved and declared free and exempt from all his sins and from the sentence of well-deserved condemnation, and is adopted into sonship and inheritance of eternal life, without any merit or worth of his own. This happens without any preceding, present, or subsequent works, out of pure grace, because of the sole merit, complete obedience, bitter suffering, death, and resurrection of our Lord Christ alone. His obedience is credited to us for righteousness. These treasures are brought to us by the Holy Spirit in the promise of the holy Gospel. Faith alone is the only means through which we lay hold on, accept, apply, and take them for ourselves. This faith is God's gift, by which we truly learn to know Christ, our Redeemer, in the Word of the Gospel and trust in Him. We trust that for the sake of His obedience alone we have the forgiveness of sins by grace, are regarded as godly and righteous by God the Father, and are eternally saved."



Hymn "THE SURE PROPHETIC WORD OF GOD"

(by Pastor W. M. Czamanske, sung to the tune of 277)

The sure prophetic Word of God, Revealed to holy men At sundry times in ages past, Has come to us again. It is the Word our Savior spoke While He was here below, The Word restored by Luther's hand Five hundred years ago.

The sure prophetic Word has come To shed its blessed light, To drive away the clouds of grief, The dark and gloomy night. And we do well to heed this Word, To keep this treasure pure, Because it holds the priceless gems, The riches that endure.

The sure prophetic Word has come To us that we may trace The Love that gave His only Son, The Father's boundless grace. This Word alone has power to save, To make us truly wise, That we may see the dawn appear, The Morning Star arise. Amen.

THE SERMON

Romans 3:19-28 Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. 20 Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin. 21 But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, 22 even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference; 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed, 26 to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. 27 Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? Of works? No, but by the law of faith. 28 Therefore we conclude that a man is justified by faith apart from the deeds of the law.

"GOD'S STANDARD AND OURS: FAITH ALONE!" I. Faith alone puts an end to boasting (19, 20, 23, 27) II. Faith alone receives God's righteousness 21, 22, 24-26, 28)

Sermon Glossary:

Law - The Word of God that tells us what to do and what not to do, and the punishment for breaking it (ie: 10 Commandments).
Justified (justification) - declared not guilty – Just-as-if you never sinned
Sin – breaking God's law, to miss the mark
Righteousness – the perfect keeping of God's holy will (one single sin makes you completely unrighteous)
Grace – God's undeserved love and kindness toward us
Redemption – To buy back, redeem, ransom
Propitiation – satisfactory payment
Faith – a gift of God that believes, trusts, and hangs-on to His Word, thereby giving eternal life.



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 477:4: And for Thy Gospel let us dare To sacrifice all treasure; Teach us to bear Thy blessed cross, To find in Thee all pleasure. Oh, grant us steadfastness In joy and distress, That we Thee ne'er forsake Let us by grace partake Of endless joy and glory.

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 775

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 283

*** SILENT PRAYER ***

<u>Announcements</u>

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!

TODAY – QUARTERLY MEETINGS Following service at both churches.

LADIES CRAFT NIGHT Our group of crafters is anxious to get together again for an evening of food, fellowship and crafting! You are invited to join us and please bring your friend(s)! Bring your sewing, knitting, scrapbooking, or whatever you might enjoy! Or just come to watch and visit. We will meet in the Church Fellowship room on Thursday, November 8th at 6:00 pm. Chili will be provided, but feel free to bring your own beverage and a snack to share. Questions? Ask Desirae Naumann, Moira Drager or Ruth Lapsley. We would love to have you join us.

BIBLE CLASS Please join us Sundays at 10:15 am for the study of the two great teachings of the Bible – The Law and the Gospel.

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>

ST. JOHN'S REMINDERS:

Potluck next Sunday following service

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.

CLC NEWS Rock of Ages Lutheran, Grand Rapids MI, has called the Rev. John M. Johannes, Detroit Lakes/Ponsford MN.

THE MEANING OF THE REFORMATION. People who write history call the events of Luther's life and the lives of other like-minded men of that time the REFORMATION. Many important Bible teachings were once again being taught by pastors and teachers in the church. Among them were these:

1) Justification by faith. The church had been incorrectly teaching that God would regard people "Not guilty" if they did good works first. Luther discovered from the Bible that God justified all the people of the world (declared them "Not guilty") because of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross. God leads people through His Spirit to BELIEVE that He has indeed declared them "Not guilty" of their sins.

2) The Priesthood of All Believers. Before the Reformation people had been taught that the only way they could receive the gifts of God was through the church, especially the priests. The Catholic Church had developed a system of seven sacred acts (Sacraments), involving the whole life of the people. The priests alone could administer these Sacraments. Luther noted that the Bible calls all the believers priests before God. Each one could talk directly with God and receive His gifts. Each was given the privilege of using the two Sacraments mentioned in the Bible – Baptism and the Lord's Supper. Each head of the household could be the teacher and spiritual leader of his family.

3) The Bible. Before Luther's time there were very few Bibles. Most of those which did exist were in places where the common people couldn't get at them. They were also written in Latin, a language the people didn't understand. God had already prepared the world for the Reformation by seeing to it that movable metal type for the printing press had been invented. The year was 1454. This made printing much faster and cheaper. Already in 1521 Luther started translating the Bible from its original languages (Hebrew and Greek) into German – the language of his country. This way Luther's countrymen could find out for themselves what God had to say rather than rely on various church leaders.

We in the Lutheran Church appreciate what God accomplished through his servant Martin Luther. We use his Catechism in our instruction classes because it presents in a simple way what the Bible teaches about our Savior from sin, our life as His people while on this earth, and the eternal future He has promised to all who believe in Him.

THE LIFE OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER – A BRIEF SUMMARY

1483 - November 10, born at Eisleben, Saxony in Germany, baptized next day, St. Martin's day.

1498 - High school at Eisenach; lived at the home of Ursula Cotta.

1501 - Entered U. of Erfurt to become a lawyer;

1505 - Thunderstorm vow; entered cloister and became an Augustinian monk.

1507 - Ordained a priest

1510 - Journey to Rome on official business when he became personally acquainted with the corruption in the church.

1512 - Appointed professor of theology at U. of Wittenberg by Elector Frederick; became Doctor of Divinity

1517 - October 31, posted 95 theses on the door of the Castle, church at Wittenberg calling attention to abuses in the Roman Catholic Church, particularly in regard to indulgences, letter of pardon for sale

1519 - Disputation with Roman Catholic theologian Dr. Eck in Leipzig.

1520 - Pope threatened to excommunicate Lather. Luther burned bull.

1521 - Formally excommunicated from Roman church. Diet of Worms. "Here I stand" Edict making him outlaw.

1522 - "Captured" by friends & taken to the Wartburg for his own safety. Translated the New Testament into the language of the people.

1524 - Wrote & published his first 24 hymns.

1525 - Married Catherine von Bora, a former nun.

1529 - Diet of Speyer. Published Large & Small Catechism

1530 - Augsburg Confession

1534 - Published translation of the whole Bible (German)

- 1537 Luther publishes "Smalcald Articles"
- 1546 February 18 Death & burial in Castle Church in Wittenberg. "Grace alone, Faith alone, Scripture alone."

This week's memory verse

"Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of their conduct." Hebrews 13:7 **The Old Testament Reading for Reformation Sunday** In these verses the LORD invites us to a bountiful meal for our souls – the forgiveness of sins through His Word. He emphasizes that the time for this offer of pardon is limited, and that His Word is powerful and effective in producing the desired response of faith. Hear now the grace of God...

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The New Testament Reading John 8:31-36

Here Jesus reminds us that His Word is the truth that sets us free from our sin. What greater freedom is there than the declaration of NOT GUILTY from God through His Son Christ Jesus? We read... John 8:31-36 Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you abide in My word, you are My disciples indeed. 32 "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." 33 They answered Him, "We are Abraham's descendants, and have never been in bondage to anyone. How can you say, 'You will be made free'?" 34 Jesus answered them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, whoever commits sin is a slave of sin. 35 "And a slave does not abide in the house forever, but a son abides forever. 36 "Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed.