

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements

GOD'S PROMISE KEPT:

A new book written by Pastor Emeritus Dale Redlin. Prof. emeritus Paul Koch—Editor; Timothy Schaser -- Graphic Artist; L. Dale Redlin -- Author

You may order them from Dale Redlin 507-625-2572 or hope-dale@juno.com. \$15.00 plus postage. There is one copy left available in the entry-way. Save postage! Please pay pastor



ON WINGS OF EAGLES:

Pastor Mark Weis has published a second devotion book entitled: "On Wings of Eagles." It is a collection of brief devotions with corresponding poetry. The book is available on Amazon. Just go to amazon.com and type in Mark Weis and the book should show up. Cost is \$9.

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church and School is a confessional Lutheran Church.

We proclaim to a world dead in sin that salvation is a gift of God's grace; that Jesus Christ paid the full sacrificial price—His very life—so that gift of salvation could be ours. If you are interested in learning more, please call Pastor Bernthal at **608-233-2244** or **e-mail** him at mbern@juno.com

More Information and Audio Sermons at www.peacethruchrist.org



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THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Communion Liturgy, Worship Supplement, P. 1

Opening Hymn: **153**

Before Sermon: **348**

Offering: **147**

During Distribution: **306**

After Benediction: **290**

Scripture Readings:

Ephesians 5:1-10

The Apostle Paul gives some general encouragements as to how we will want to live as believers in Christ and children of God---"walk in love...do not be partakers with filthy speech or fornication...walk as children of light in goodness, righteousness and truth."

5 Therefore be imitators of God as dear children. 2 And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma. 3 But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints; 4 neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor coarse jesting, which are not fitting, but rather giving of thanks. 5 For this you know, that no fornicator, unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. 6 Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. 7 Therefore do not be partakers with them. 8 For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light 9 (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), 10 finding out what is acceptable to the Lord.

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- Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI has called Mrs. Becky Buck to serve as a full-time teacher for grades 3-4. They also called Mrs. Valerie Hammett to serve as half-time teacher in the lower grades, and Jane Murch to serve as music teacher.
- St. John's Lutheran, Okabena MN, has called Paul Tiefel III, Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI, to be principal and teacher at its school.
- Grace Lutheran, Fridley MN, has called member Mrs. Heidi Nelson to the position of lower grade teacher.
- Trinity Lutheran Church, Watertown SD, has extended the call to teacher Mrs. Collette Krause as full time teacher/principal for grades K-8.

CLC YOUTH CAMP:
Registration is coming up! You will be able to register online (the website will be up in the next month) on March 25 at 3:00pm CST. Camp this year will be held at Camp JIM in Pillager, MN. The cost will be \$175/ camper and campers entering grades 6-12 are eligible. You can

check out our Facebook page for more updates.



MISSION HELPER HELP:
Kirsten and Nichole Brandle are going on next summer's trip to Africa to help spread God's Word. They are requesting our prayers on their behalf and also asking that if anyone would like to help defray the cost of their trip to give their offerings to Peace Thru Christ. Deadline for their \$2,000 deposit each, is March 15th

CLC WOMEN'S RETREAT:
The Midwest Christian Women's Retreat, sponsored by Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mankato, MN, will be held April 20-22, 2018, at the Riverport Inn & Suites, Winona, MN. This year's theme is: "That Your Joy may be Full!" Registration is open 2/1/18 – 3/23/18. The retreat fee is \$75. All the hotel costs and reservation information, as well as retreat registration information can be found at www.ladiesretreat.clclutheran.net.

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March 21st ---Death to Resurrection: Wilderness to the Promised Land – Joshua 3:1-6; Matt. 3:13; 4:1-7– Pastor Mike Eichstadt

SUNDAY SERIES:

This morning we continue a Sunday morning Lenten series of sermons entitled “The Ironies of the Passion.” The texts and themes are listed below.

March 4: He Had Been Wanting to See Jesus---Luke 23:6-12

March 11: We Have No King but Caesar!---John 19:12-16a

March 18: Don't You Fear God?-- -Luke 23:39-43

March 25--Palm Sunday: Do You Hear What These Children Are Saying?---Matthew 21:12-17

March 29--Maundy Thursday: Do This in Remembrance of Me--1 Corinthians 11:23-29

March 30--Good Friday: He Said, “I Will Rise Again”---Matthew 27:62-66

April 1--Easter Sunday: Why Do You Look for the Living Among the Dead?---Luke 24:4-8

TOUR CHOIR:

The ILC Tour Choir will be coming to conduct a Sacred

Concert here at Peace Thru Christ on Saturday, March 17th at 1:00 p.m. Please sign the sheet in the entry-way if you can bring some food for the choir's lunch and for snacks after the concert.

CHRISTIAN APOLOGETICS SEMINAR:

This is a seminar put on by Matt Starland, a member of Berea Lutheran, Inver Grove Heights, MN. It will be held on Saturday, March 24th from 3:00-5:15 p.m. with a meal following.

CLC NEWS

- Pastor Caleb Schaller has returned the call extended to him from Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac, WI.
- Teacher Neil Bernthal, Immanuel, Winter Haven, FL has the call to be Principal/Teacher at Faith, Markesan, WI. Teacher
- Andrew Roehl has returned the call extended to him to be teacher at St. John's, Clarkston, WA. St. John's has now called Brian Fox, Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI, and supervisor at the boys' dorm at ILC, as teacher/principal.

Luke 11:14-28

Jesus defends His miracle of casting out a demon and says it was not performed in league with Satan for that would be defeating Satan's purpose. Jesus' miracles come from God to display His Kingdom and rule over Satan. Indeed we are blessed when we “hear the Word of God and keep it!”

14 And He was casting out a demon, and it was mute. So it was, when the demon had gone out, that the mute spoke; and the multitudes marveled. 15 But some of them said, “He casts out demons by Beelzebub, the ruler of the demons.” 16 Others, testing Him, sought from Him a sign from heaven. 17 But He, knowing their thoughts, said to them: “Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation, and a house divided against a house falls. 18 If Satan also is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? Because you say I cast out demons by Beelzebub. 19 And if I cast out demons by Beelzebub, by whom do your sons cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. 20 But if I cast out demons with the finger of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you. 21 When a strong man, fully armed, guards his own palace, his goods are in peace. 22 But when a stronger than he comes upon him and overcomes him, he takes from him all his armor in which he trusted, and divides his spoils. 23 He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters. 24 “When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest; and finding none, he says, ‘I will return to my house from which I came.’ 25 And when he comes, he finds it swept and put in order. 26 Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first.” 27 And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, “Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts which nursed You!” 28 But He said, “More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”

IRONY OF THE PASSION

Sermon Text: **Luke 23:6-12**

HE HAD BEEN WANTING TO SEE JESUS

I: He hoped to see a miracle.

II: God wanted to show him his Savior.

6 When Pilate heard of Galilee, he asked if the Man were a Galilean. 7 And as soon as he knew that He belonged to Herod's jurisdiction, he sent Him to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at that time. 8 Now when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceedingly glad; for he had desired for a long time to see Him, because he had heard many things about Him, and he hoped to see some miracle done by Him. 9 Then he questioned Him with many words, but He answered him nothing. 10 And the chief priests and scribes stood and vehemently accused Him. 11 Then Herod, with his men of war, treated Him with contempt and mocked Him, arrayed Him in a gorgeous robe, and sent Him back to Pilate. 12 That very day Pilate and Herod became friends with each other, for previously they had been at enmity with each other.

HOLY COMMUNION: HOLY COMMUNION:

The Lord's Supper is being celebrated this morning. We encourage all of our members to attend this meal of forgiveness from our Savior. Since it is a confession of oneness in faith and doctrine, we ask that only members of Peace Thru Christ or of a sister congregation in the CLC come forward to partake of the Lord's Supper. If you have any questions concerning this practice called "Close Communion," please see Pastor Bernthal. Thank you.



PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We thank the Lord for your worshipping your Lord and Savior with us this morning. Hearing God's Word is so important in each of our lives for it feeds our faith and strengthens our trust in the Lord Jesus. Come again and hear more about your Savior, the Christ. Please also sign our guest book.

This Week:

Today 9:00 a.m. Sunday School:
The Golden Calf • Bible Class:

"Lessons from the Lives of
Powerful Politicians!"

10:00 a.m. Family Worship
11:10 a.m. Choir
11:30 a.m. Church Council

Tuesday 10:30 a.m. Bible Class
at Artisan

Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Lent IV—
Pastor Neal Radichel
8:15 p.m. Choir

Thursday 10:45 a.m. Bible Class
at Heritage

Next Sunday

9:00 a.m. S.S./Bible Class
10:00 a.m. Family Worship
11:10 a.m. Choir

IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week:
Church---Birkholz/Peterson
School: Dreyer/Dumke. Counters
today: Matt Schaser & Gail
Schaefer

LAST WEEK: Worship 41 S.S. 1
Bible Class 17 Lent III 22

OFFERINGS 2/25 & 28 for Unified
Budget: \$2,326
\$300 Mission Helper

SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING:

At our special Voters' Meeting
last Sunday the Voters called
Miss Miriam Bernthal to be our
preschool teacher. We hope to
open our preschool, Precious
Lambs, Sept. 4th.

LENTEN SERVICES: This past
Wednesday 22 attended our
mid-week Lenten service. This
Wednesday Pastor Neal Radichel
will be preaching on Out of
Egypt: Through the Water. All
services will be at 7:00 p.m.

Our Lenten theme this year is:
"Return from Exile: A Lenten
Journey."

March 7th ---Out of Egypt:
Through the Water --Ex. 14:13-31;
Mark 1:9-13 -- Pastor Radichel

March 14th---Mountain to
Mountain: Mount Moriah to
Mount Zion -- Gen. 22:1-8; John
3:16 -- Pastor Matt Ude