

## **Peace Thru Christ Lutheran**

### **Church & School**

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**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 10, 2014**

Pastor Mark H. Bernthal

Organist: Mrs. Chris Gerbitz

Teacher: Miss Claire Abbas

Pre-service Preparation: Ps. 125

Lutheran Hymnal, p. 5

**Opening Hymn: 252**

**Before Sermon: 379**

**Offering Hymn: 2 (1,2,6,7) VBS Hymn**

**After Prayers: 354**

**After Benediction: 784**

### **Scripture Readings:**

#### **Proverbs 8:22-36**

Solomon has personified wisdom in several places in his Proverbs. Here wisdom moves beyond personification and takes on godly character. Solomon is talking about the Son of God. Paul tells us in I Corinthians that “Jesus...is the wisdom of God.” The Son of God (Wisdom) tells us, “Blessed is the man who listens to Me...For whoever finds Me finds life.”

*22 “The Lord possessed me at the beginning of His way, Before His works of old. 23 I have been established from everlasting, From the beginning, before there was ever an earth. 24 When there were no depths I was brought forth, When there were no fountains abounding with water. 25 Before the mountains were settled, Before the hills, I was brought forth; 26 While as yet He had not made the earth or the fields, Or the primal dust of the world. 27 When He prepared the heavens, I was there, When He drew a circle on the face of the*

*deep, 28 When He established the clouds above, When He strengthened the fountains of the deep, 29 When He assigned to the sea its limit, So that the waters would not transgress His command, When He marked out the foundations of the earth, 30 Then I was beside Him as a master craftsman;[a] And I was daily His delight, Rejoicing always before Him, 31 Rejoicing in His inhabited world, And my delight was with the sons of men. 32 “Now therefore, listen to me, my children, For blessed are those who keep my ways. 33 Hear instruction and be wise, And do not disdain it. 34 Blessed is the man who listens to me, Watching daily at my gates, Waiting at the posts of my doors. 35 For whoever finds me finds life, And obtains favor from the Lord; 36 But he who sins against me wrongs his own soul; All those who hate me love death.”*

#### **Luke 10:38-42**

Mary listened to Jesus’ word, while Martha was busy serving her Lord. It is good to serve the Lord, a fruit of faith; but it is better to choose the one thing needed, to hear and be instructed by God’s Word.

*38 Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house. 39 And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus’ feet and heard His word. 40 But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, “Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me.” 41 And Jesus answered and said to her, “Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. 42 But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her.”*

#### **Sermon Text: I John 5:4-12**

*4 For whatever is born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith. 5 Who is he who overcomes the world, but he who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? 6 This is He who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it*

*is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth. 7 For there are three that bear witness:8 the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one. 9 If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater; for this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son. 10 He who believes in the Son of God has the witness in himself; he who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that God has given of His Son. 11 And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. 12 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.*

**THE BIBLE: Believe It or Not!**  
**I: The world can't believe it because of sin.**  
**II: We believe it because of faith.**  
*Today's preacher: Vicar Ben Libby*



**PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN  
WELCOMES YOU:**

We thank the Lord you are worshipping with us this morning. We pray that you come again to hear the Good News of our Savior's love for us. If you have any questions about what we teach concerning the Bible, please speak with Pastor Bernthal. Please also sign our guest register.

**This Week:**

Today 10:10 a.m. Evangelism Committee  
10:25 a.m. Church Council  
Monday 7:00 p.m. B.O.C.E.  
Tuesday 10:00 a.m. Bible Class at Artisan  
Thursday 10:45 a.m. Bible Class at Heritage  
Next Sunday 9:00 a.m. Family Worship

**IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:** Cleaners this week: Church--

-Gbedey/Lentz Counters: Ruth Bernthal & Deb Schmidt

**LAST WEEK:** 44 Comm. 40  
**OFFERINGS:** \$ 2,312

**CLC NEWS:** Berea Lutheran, Sioux Falls SD, has called Pastor Joel Fleischer, pastor of Calvary Lutheran, Marquette MI. Today the installation of Pastor Mayhew will take place at Grace-Sleepy Eye at 3 p.m. Pastor James Albrecht has returned the call extended to him by St. Paul Lutheran, Lakewood CO. The congregation has since called Pastor Andrew Schaller of Trinity, Watertown, SD. Living Word Lutheran, Lexington MO, has called Pastor Timothy Wheaton, pastor of Mt. Olive Lutheran, Lamar CO. Pastor Delwyn Maas, Valentine NE, has accepted the call to Gift of God Lutheran, Mapleton ND. Grace Lutheran, Live Oak FL, has called Pastor David Fuerstenau, pastor of Holy Truth Lutheran, Ketchikan, AK.

**NEW ONLINE COURSE AT ILC** Immanuel Lutheran College will be offering Religion 407 online in the fall semester and Religion 408 online in the spring semester. These two courses comprise the Christian Dogmatics (Christian Teachings) course required at the college level for education students. Both semester courses are also required of teachers seeking CLC certification and of CLC members with a four-year degree who wish to enroll in Immanuel Lutheran Seminary. The online course begins the same day as the classroom course (August 25) and meets three times a week. Cost of Religion 407 taken for credit (3) is \$637.50. The cost for auditing the course is \$191.25. These same rates apply also to Religion 408 (the continuation of Rel. 407), which begins January 12, 2015. For more information about the courses and how to register, see the online courses link on the home page of the ILC website ([www.ilc.edu](http://www.ilc.edu)). Prof. Steve Sippert

**VBS REPORT:** We thank the Lord for the children and the people who helped with teaching, crafts, singing, refreshments, recess and clean-up. Listed below are those volunteers who helped this past week. Pre-K: Miss Kirsten & Nichole Brandle; 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>: Miss Claire Abbas; 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>: Vicar Ben Libby.

Craft helpers: Ms. Pam Schulz, Ms. Kaitlyn Brandle, Mr. James Schaser.

**IN YOUR MAILBOX:** August Calendar & Newsletter

**LUTHERAN SPOKESMAN:** Your August Lutheran Spokesman is available. It is the Convention issue with lots of Convention pictures. Take one and read!

**NEW LUTHERAN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:** At our July quarterly meeting, the voters of St. John's Lutheran Church in Clarkston, WA voted unanimously to move forward with upgrades to our present facility in order to meet state building codes for a Christian elementary school. We hope to call in early spring, and our target date for opening our school doors is for the fall of 2015. We solicit your prayers that the LORD will guide and bless our efforts. **Mark 9:37 "Whoever receives one of these little children in My name receives Me"** Pastor David Naumann

**PASTOR'S VACATION:** Pastor and Ruth will be on vacation from Aug. 15-18. If pastoral assistance is needed, please call Pastor Paul Krause who will be covering for Pastor Bernthal. Pastor Krause's phone number is: 1-920-398-2778.