

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements

MAN UP WEEKEND - The “Man Up” weekend is intended to offer strength and encouragement for men 18 and older for their personal faith, family, and fellowship at church. The weekend includes Bible Study, Fellowship, Leadership Training, Team and Relationship Building and Worship, as well as many outdoor bonding activities. The retreat will again be held September 12-15, 2019 at beautiful Wyalusing State Park near Prairie du Chien, WI about an hour south of La Crosse. You can also find out more information, see pictures of the park and previous “Man Up” weekends, read about the benefits of those who have attended in the past, and register for the weekend online at www.manup.clclutheran.org. The cost is only \$75 for the weekend and includes lodging, meals, and activities. Registration fee is due by August 31, 2019 to get this rate. The registration fee increases to \$100 after August 31st. Contact Pastor Nathanael Mayhew at ndmayhew@att.net or 404-729-4602 if you have any questions.

WESTERN WOMEN’S RETREAT: This year’s Western Women’s Retreat will be held at Chadron State Park, Chadron NE September 20-22. The registration fee is \$125. The deadline for registration is August 31. For more information visit <https://christianwomensretreat.weebly.com/chadron.html>.

SOUTHEASTERN WOMEN’S RETREAT: This year’s Southeastern Women’s Retreat will be held at Compass Cove Oceanfront Resort in Myrtle Beach, SC from November 1-3. The registration fee is \$50 plus hotel cost. The deadline for registration is September 1. For more information visit <https://christianwomensretreat.weebly.com/myrtle-beach.html>.

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

Eleventh Sunday of Pentecost • August 25, 2019

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Pre-service Preparation: Psalm 143

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Lutheran Hymnal, p. 5

Opening Hymn: 380

Before Sermon: 389

Offering: 441 (1-2)

After Prayers: 377 (1-6)

Closing Hymn: 377 (8-10)

Scripture Readings:

I John 1:5-2:2

We who believe in Christ’s all-atoning sacrifice for sin will not walk in the darkness of sin but will have the light of everlasting life. We have been cleansed by Christ’s blood from our unrighteousness. His sacrifice has paid for the guilt and punishment of the whole world.

5 This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you,

that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin. 8 If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us. 2 My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 2 And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

Luke 6:43-49

With Christ living in us through faith we will bring forth fruits of faith. When we hear His Word, that Word will lead us to build our faith-life upon the solid foundation of Christ, our Rock. All other foundations are useless and lead only to ruin and destruction.

43 *“For a good tree does not bear bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. 44 For every tree is known by its own fruit. For men do not gather figs from thorns, nor do they gather grapes from a bramble bush. 45 A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart brings forth evil. For out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks. 46 “But why do you call Me ‘Lord, Lord,’ and not do the things which I say? 47 Whoever comes to Me, and hears My sayings and does them, I will show you whom he is like: 48 He is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently against that house, and could not shake it, for it was founded on the rock. 49 But he who heard and did nothing is like a man who built a house on the earth without a foundation, against which the stream beat vehemently; and immediately it fell. And the ruin of that house was great.”*

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ILC BEGINS: Immanuel Lutheran High School, College and Seminary opens its doors for the 2019-2020 school tomorrow. Jonathan Brandle will be attending this year as a high school freshman. We pray the Lord’s blessings and guidance upon Jonathan as he travels to Eau Claire for his Christ-centered education. Please continue to pray for the success of Immanuel’s ministry as God’s enduring Word of truth is passed down to the next generation.

SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY DAY/CHURCH PICNIC: Date is Sept. 8th. Anyone interested in helping to co-ordinate activities for that day please contact Pastor Bernthal or Matt Schaser.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS: We are in need of Sunday School teachers for the coming year. Please contact Pastor Bernthal or Matt Schaser if you are interested in teaching.

CLC NEWS:

- Pastor Ted Barthels, St. Paul’s Austin, MN has returned the call extended to him by Prince of Peace of Loveland, CO. Pastor Rich Kanzenbach has returned the call extended to him by Redeemer of Bowdle and Zion of Ipswich
- Pastor Frank Gantt, Zion, Lawrenceville (Atlanta), GA has been called by Bethel, Morris, MN.
- Pastor Del Maas, Gift of God, Mapleton, ND has been called by Trinity, Spokane, WA
- Miss Miriam Bernthal has accepted the call to be preschool teacher at Faith, Markesan.

YOUNG PEOPLE IN NEED: As overseas mission opportunities continue to grow, so does the need for U.S. sponsors. Can you help? The CLC KINSHIP Committee is seeking sponsors for a group called “Myanmar Children’s Assistance” as well as seminary students at the new Wartburg Theological Seminary of Tanzania. Please contact Dan Roehl (507-381-2042 or danroehl@hotmail.com) for more information regarding these sponsorships.

GOD’S PROMISE KEPT VOL. II: The second book written by Pastor Emeritus Dale Redlin. Pastor Paul Nolting—Editor; Timothy Schaser -- Graphic Artist. \$15.00 each. There are 7 copies left available in the entry-way. Please pay pastor.

PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We are glad that you are worshipping with us this morning. We of Peace Thru Christ are a confessional Lutheran Church, whose aim is to uphold the Biblical teachings and Christian values which God restored through the Lutheran Reformation some 500 years ago. May the message of our justification through Jesus Christ move you to come again and worship your Savior with us. Please sign our guest book before you leave. If you are interested in learning more about our congregation, please feel free to speak with Pastor Bernthal.



This Week:

Today 9:00 a.m. Family Worship • 12:00 p.m. Good Neighbor Parade

Monday ILC Begins

Tuesday 10:30 a.m. Bible Class at Sage Meadow

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

Next Sunday 9:00 a.m. Family Worship/Communion

IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week: A. Birkholz/Peterson B. Schaefer

Counters today: Randy Dreyer & Mike Brandle

LAST WEEK: Worship 20

OFFERINGS 8/18 for Unified Budget:
\$2,125

IN YOUR MAILBOX:

CLC Financial Report - July

GOOD NEIGHBOR PARADE:

If you would like to walk with us and hand out candy and invitations please come by noon to the parade on University Avenue.



Sermon: **Romans 4:1-12**

WHAT CAN WE SAY ABOUT OUR JUSTIFICATION?

Sermon Theme:

I: What does Abraham say?

II: What does David say?

III: What does circumcision say?

What then shall we say that Abraham our father has found according to the flesh? 2 For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. 3 For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." 4 Now to him who works, the wages are not counted as grace but as debt. 5 But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness, 6 just as David also describes the blessedness of the man to whom God imputes righteousness apart from works: "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, And whose sins are covered; Blessed is the man to whom the Lord shall not impute sin." 9 Does this blessedness then come upon the circumcised only, or upon the uncircumcised also? For we say that faith was accounted to Abraham for righteousness. 10 How then was it accounted? While he was circumcised, or uncircumcised? Not while circumcised, but while uncircumcised. 11 And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had while still uncircumcised, that he might be the father of all those who believe, though they are uncircumcised, that righteousness might be imputed to them also, 12 and the father of circumcision to those who not only are of the circumcision, but who also walk in the steps of the faith which our father Abraham had while still uncircumcised.