

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements

JOINT REFORMATION WORSHIP SERVICE is planned for next Sunday, Oct. 30th at 3:00 p.m. to be held at Messiah Lutheran Church, Hales Corners, WI. Please sign the sheet in the entry-way if you plan on going.

NEW ADDRESS:

Daniel Johannes has been stationed overseas for the next several months.

His new address is:

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Hurricane Relief for Haiti

The CLC Board of Missions has been in correspondence and doctrinal discussions with a Lutheran pastor in Haiti since he first contacted Pastor Dan Fleischer back in 2013. Pastor Emmanuel Julien serves a congregation on the outskirts of Port-au-Prince and has been sharing the CLC correspondence lessons with twenty-one other Lutheran pastors in Haiti

as we work together toward establishing fellowship. The recent Hurricane Matthew that hit Haiti and took the life of more than 1,000 Haitians has also brought much loss and destruction to the pastors and congregations that we are working with. The Board of Missions has authorized an initial \$3000 from the CLC Mission Development Fund (MDF) to assist our fellow Christians with recovery efforts. CLC President Eichstadt has authorized a special offering to replenish the MDF after this unexpected need. A Board of Missions visit to Haiti was already being planned before the hurricane and will now take place in late January or early February. This visitation will serve to assess the recovery efforts we are providing and to visit face to face with Pastor Julien and the other pastors to discuss doctrine and fellowship with the CLC. This trip will be funded through offerings to the MDF as well.

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church is a confessional Lutheran Church. 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 middletonlutheran.org

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Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost • October 23, 2016

Pre-service Preparation: Ps. 125

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

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Antiphon, Ps. 84	Pg. 38 W.S.

Scripture Readings:

Joshua 24:1-13

Notice how God speaks to His people---“I, I, I...I gave...I sent...I brought...I destroyed...I delivered.” Everything the Israelites had was a gift of God’s grace. This grace of God is the motive, the compelling force behind Joshua’s great confession and commitment: “But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.”

24 Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem and called for the elders of Israel, for their heads, for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before God. 2 And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the Lord God of Israel: 'Your fathers, including Terah, the father of Abraham and the father of Nahor, dwelt on the other side of the River in old times; and they served other gods. 3 Then I took your father Abraham from the other side of the River, led him throughout all the land of Canaan, and multiplied his descendants and gave him Isaac. 4 To Isaac I gave Jacob and Esau. To Esau I gave the mountains of Seir to possess, but Jacob and his children went down to Egypt. 5 Also I sent Moses and Aaron, and I plagued Egypt, according to what I did among them. Afterward I brought you out. 6 'Then I brought your fathers out of Egypt, and you came to the sea; and the Egyptians pursued your fathers with chariots and horsemen to the Red Sea. 7 So they cried out to the Lord; and He put darkness between you and the Egyptians, brought the sea upon them, and covered them. And your eyes saw what I did in Egypt. Then you dwelt in the wilderness a long time. 8 And I brought you into the land of the Amorites, who dwelt on the other side of the Jordan, and they fought with you. But I gave them into your hand, that you might possess their land, and I destroyed them from before you. 9 Then Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, arose to make war against Israel, and sent and called Balaam the son of Beor to curse you. 10 But I would not listen to Balaam; therefore he continued to bless you. So I delivered you out of his hand. 11 Then you went over the Jordan and came to Jericho. And the men of Jericho fought against you—also the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Girgashites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. But I delivered them into your hand. 12 I sent the hornet before you which drove them out from before you, also the two kings of the Amorites, but not with your sword or with your bow. 13 I have given you a land for which you did not labor, and cities which you did not build, and you dwell in them; you eat of the vineyards and olive groves which you did not plant.'

Matthew 16:24-28

True discipleship often means sacrifice. Christ bore the cross of guilt and punishment for our sins. We are called upon to deny self and self-interests and to live for Jesus and the interest and needs of others. This calling as

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IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week:
Church—Peterson/Meyer.
School—Abbas/Schaefer
Counters today: Randy Dreyer & Joel Albrecht

LAST WEEK:

Worship 40 S.S. 4 Bible Class 22

OFFERINGS 10/16 for Unified
Budget: \$1,595

IN YOUR MAILBOX: CLC

September Financial Report

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE

CLASSES: While Pastor Bernthal serves the vacancy at Faith, Markesan there will be no Wednesday night Bible Classes.

CLC NEWS:

- Faith Lutheran Church, Markesan, WI has called Missionary Matt Ude.
- Rock of Ages Lutheran, Grand Rapids MI. has called Pastor David Baker, pastor of Our Redeemer's Lutheran, Red Wing MN.
- The CLC Board of Missions has issued the divine call for a Full-Time Visiting Missionary to Pastor Todd Ohlmann, pastor of Faith Lutheran, Manchester MO.
- Zion Lutheran, Lawrenceville

GA, has called Pastor Michael Gurath, pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix AZ.

Immanuel Lutheran College

Visitors Day: Immanuel Lutheran College Visitors Day is November 11th beginning at 10:05 am in the ILC gymnasium for chapel. It will feature presentations and classroom visits until 2:50 p.m. Speak with your pastor about questions and attendance. Please convey attendance information and any housing requests to Prof. John Ude, the ILC academic dean, by November 7th. Office: 715-836-6631, home: 715-955-4127, e-mail john.ude@ilc.edu.

2017 CLC MISSION HELPER

TRIP TO NEPAL – plans are underway for the CLC Mission Helper Trip to Nepal in July. See the bulletin insert and posters. More information can be found at: www.mht.lutheranmissions.org/2017-nepal.

THANKS: to all who participated in our fall work day. Much was accomplished to the glory of our Lord.

QUARTERLY VOTER'S MEETING

to be held at 11:25 today. All Voting members are encouraged to attend.

“You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord for yourselves, to serve Him.” And they said, “We are witnesses!” 23 “Now therefore,” he said, “put away the foreign gods which are among you, and incline your heart to the Lord God of Israel.” 24 And the people said to Joshua, “The Lord our God we will serve, and His voice we will obey!” 25 So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made for them a statute and an ordinance in Shechem. 26 Then Joshua wrote these words in the Book of the Law of God. And he took a large stone, and set it up there under the oak that was by the sanctuary of the Lord. 27 And Joshua said to all the people, “Behold, this stone shall be a witness to us, for it has heard all the words of the Lord which He spoke to us. It shall therefore be a witness to you, lest you deny your God.” 28 So Joshua let the people depart, each to his own inheritance.

a disciple of Christ will bring the cross of persecution, troubles, and trials, but being in Christ, He will give us strength to follow Him.

24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. 25 For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. 26 For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? 27 For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father with His angels, and then He will reward each according to his works. 28 “Assuredly, I say to you, there are some standing here who shall not taste death till they see the Son of Man coming in His kingdom.”

The Sermon: read/listen to sermons at www.middletonlutheran.org

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PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!

We are indeed privileged to bring to you the Good News of salvation through our Savior Jesus Christ. May the LORD’s pledge of His faithfulness to us lead us all to commit ourselves in service to Him. If you are interested in learning more about the Bible and about our teachings from God’s Word, please see Pastor Bernthal. Come again next Sunday and please also sign our guest register.

This Week:

Today: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School:

Parable of the Ten Virgins

Bible Class: Revelation 2

10:00 a.m. Family Worship

11:10 a.m. Choir

11:25 a.m. Quarterly Voters’ Meeting

Monday In Markesan

Tuesday 10:30 Bible Class at Artisan

Wednesday In Markesan

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/ Reformation

11:10 a.m. Choir

11:25 a.m. Evangelism Meeting

3:00 p.m. Joint Reformation Worship

Sermon Text: **Joshua 24:14-28**

A CHALLENGE TO SERVE THE LORD!

14 “Now therefore, fear the Lord, serve Him in sincerity and in truth, and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the River and in Egypt. Serve the Lord! 15 And if it seems evil to you to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.” 16 So the people answered and said: “Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; 17 for the Lord our God is He who brought us and our fathers up out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage, who did those great signs in our sight, and preserved us in all the way that we went and among all the people through whom we passed. 18 And the Lord drove out from before us all the people, including the Amorites who dwelt in the land. We also will serve the Lord, for He is our God.” 19 But Joshua said to the people, “You cannot serve the Lord, for He is a holy God. He is a jealous God; He will not forgive your transgressions nor your sins. 20 If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then He will turn and do you harm and consume you, after He has done you good.” 21 And the people said to Joshua, “No, but we will serve the Lord!” 22 So Joshua said to the people,