

Peace Thru Christ Lutheran Church & School • Announcements

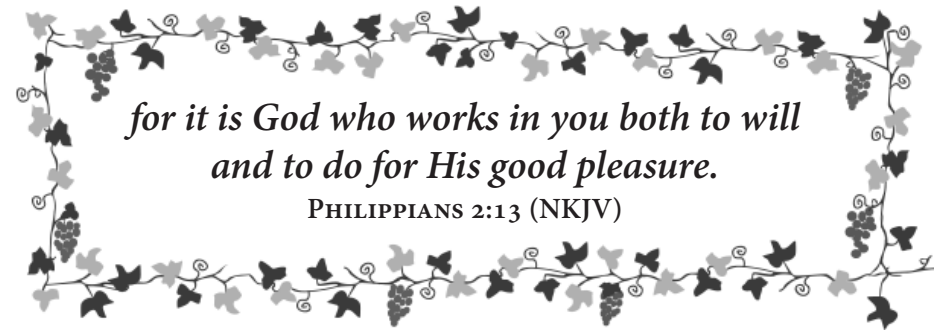
GREAT LAKES' PASTORAL

CONFERENCE: Pastor Bernthal will be attending the Great Lakes' Pastoral Conference this Tuesday thru Thursday at Morning Star Lutheran, Fairchild, WI.

BIKE OUTING: Our annual bike outing has been scheduled for this Saturday.

Meet at Schaser house at 2:00pm to ride a new bike trail in Oregon. If you plan on coming please sign the sheet in the entry-way.

FALL WORK DAY: The fall work day has been rescheduled for Saturday, Oct. 22nd.



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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

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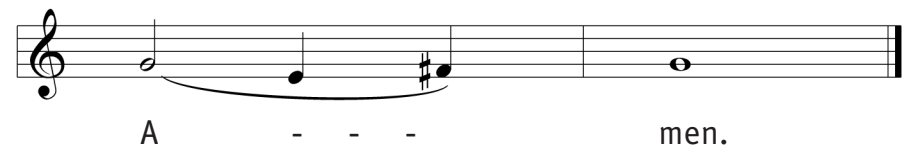
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THE ORDER OF SERVICE

Opening HYMN 769: "Lift High the Cross"

PASTOR: Jesus has commissioned us in His Word to "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19). Therefore, we begin our mission festival worship service in the name of that same Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

CONG.: (sung)



THE CONFESSION OF SINS

PASTOR: Beloved in the Lord! Let us come before God's throne of grace with repentant hearts and confess our sins unto God, our Father. Let us seek His forgiveness in the name of His Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

ALL Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we confess that we are sinful by nature, and that we have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves, and we have not always shared Your life-saving Gospel with others as we ought. Have mercy on us. Forgive us our many sins for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ. Fill our hearts with Your Holy Spirit that we may love and serve You and our neighbor with renewed zeal, and in the end, graciously give us eternal life with You. We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PASTOR: I bring you Good News: Because Your Savior Jesus lived and died for you, God has put away your sin! "As far as the east is from the west, So far has He removed our transgressions from us" (Psalm 103:12)! We have been forgiven and set free to love and serve Him and share this great message of salvation with the world! In the peace and joy of forgiveness let us praise the LORD!

THE GLORIA PATRI (sung)



Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;



As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, eternally. Amen.

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IN SERVICE TO OUR LORD:

Cleaners this week:

Church—Greve

School—Bernthal

Counters today:

Randy Dreyer & Joel Albrecht

LAST WEEK: Worship: Sat 11
Sunday 32

OFFERINGS 9/18 for Unified
Budget: \$ 2,320

Tuition: \$ 47.50

IN YOUR MAILBOX: October Calendar & Newsletter

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT

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

AVAILABLE: The Proceedings from the 32nd CLC Convention this past summer.

CLC NEWS:

- Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer has returned the call extended to him by Faith Lutheran Church, Markesan, WI
- Rock of Ages Lutheran, Grand Rapids MI has called Pastor Paul Tiefel, pastor

at Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire, WI.

- Zion Lutheran, Lawrenceville GA, has called Pastor Michael Roehl, pastor of St. Paul Lutheran, Bismarck ND.
- Pastor Steven Karp, pastor of St. Stephen Lutheran, Hayward CA, has announced his retirement. He will continue serving St. Stephen for a time.
- Mt. Zion Lutheran, Madison Heights MI, has called the Rev. Michael Gurath, pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix AZ.
- The CLC Board of Missions has issued the divine call for a Full-Time Visiting Missionary to the Rev. Todd Ohlmann, pastor of Faith Lutheran, Manchester MO.
- Pastor Terrel Kesterson, Lord willing, will be installed at Ascension Lutheran Church in Batavia, IL next Sunday. The service is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. with a meal to follow.

PEACE THRU CHRIST LUTHERAN WELCOMES YOU!



We thank God that you are with us this morning worshipping our Savior. God's call has gone out! May we be busy about our Father's business by proclaiming the Good News of salvation through Jesus who lived, died and rose again to pay for all of our sins. If you want to know more about your Savior, Jesus, or about our congregation, please contact Pastor Bernthal. We invite you to come and worship your Savior with us again. Please also sign our guest register.

THANK YOU:

Raven Haight & Becky McKenney for bringing us a report of their activities on this past summer's Mission Helper Trip to India.



Missionary Matt Ude for bringing us the Good News of our salvation.

This Week:

Today: 9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Mission Helper Presentation

10:00 a.m. Family Worship/
Mission Festival

11:30 a.m. Pot lunch

Tues-Thurs.

Great Lakes' Pastoral Conference, Fairchild, WI

Saturday

Bike outing at 2:00pm. Meet at Schaser House

Next Sunday

9:00 a.m. S.S./Bible Class

10:00 a.m. Family Worship/
Communion

11:15 a.m. Church Council

4:00 p.m. Pastor Terrel
Kesterson Installation

THE SALUTATION

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

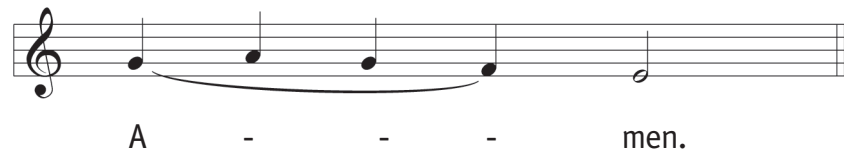
CONG.:



THE COLLECT FOR THE DAY

PASTOR: O Lord God Almighty, mercifully grant that we, who know You now by faith may with our whole heart believe in Jesus, our only Savior. Help us to serve Him, and steadfastly confess and glorify Him before all men, that His saving name may be known among all the nations. We pray this in the name of Jesus to whom with You, Father, and the Holy Spirit belong honor and glory and praise, now and forever. Amen.

CONG.:



Responsive Psalm:

Psalm 98

P: Oh, sing to the LORD a new song!

C: For He has done marvelous things;

P: His right hand and His holy arm

C: have gained Him the victory.

P: The LORD has made known His salvation;

C: His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of the nations.

P: He has remembered His mercy and His faithfulness to the house of Israel;

C: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

P: Shout joyfully to the LORD, all the earth;

C: Break forth in song, rejoice, and sing praises.

P: Sing to the LORD with the harp,

C: With the harp and the sound of a psalm,

P: With trumpets and the sound of a horn;

C: Shout joyfully before the LORD, the King.

P: Let the sea roar, and all its fullness,

C: The world and those who dwell in it;

P: Let the rivers clap *their* hands;

C: Let the hills be joyful together before the LORD.

P: For He is coming to judge the earth.

C: With righteousness He shall judge the world, And the peoples with equity.

Scripture Readings:

Part One – Elijah: 1 Kings 19:9-18

The Word of the Lord grows in silence

God's Word does not grow by means of the wonderful loud glorious things of men but in the comparative silence of His Word.

9 And there he went into a cave, and spent the night in that place; and behold, the word of the Lord came to him, and He said to him, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 10 So he said, "I have been very zealous for the Lord God of hosts; for the children of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, torn down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left; and they seek to take my life." 11 Then He said, "Go out, and stand on the mountain before the Lord." And behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong

P: Lord of all creation, wherever Your Word is preached grant it success. Let Your kingdom come to us and many others as well so that many more may join us when You come again to take Your harvest home to heaven. Hear our prayer and help us for Jesus' sake, in whose name we also pray...

THE LORD'S PRAYER

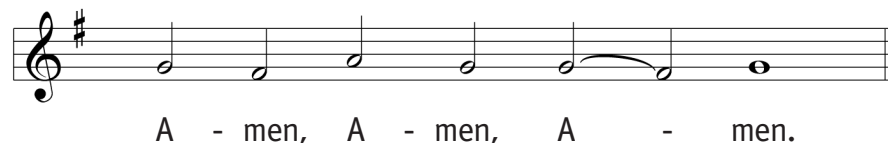
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not
into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and
ever. Amen.

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.

CONG:



Hymn: 770: "I Hear the Savior Calling"

Silent Prayer and Announcements

C: Open our hearts and give us the desire and the courage to share Your Gospel with others. Open our mouths to speak Your Word in truth and love.

P: We pray for our own personal evangelism efforts:

C: Holy Spirit, help us to be witnesses to those around us; to our friends, our family members, and our neighbors. Move us to love them as You have loved us. Help us to always give a reason for the hope that is in us, and grant us grace to do so with gentleness and respect. Let all our words and actions be a light that reflects Christ's love to those around us.

P: Lord of the Church, we pray for our church's mission efforts in this country:

C: Open doors for Your saving Gospel message to be preached. Open hearts to receive that message with faith in Jesus Christ. Give our pastors and laypeople boldness to spread Your Word to our fellow citizens that they too may become citizens of God's heavenly kingdom with us.

P: Lord of the Harvest, we pray for our church's mission efforts overseas:

C: Send forth willing laborers into the harvest of souls You have prepared for us in far off lands. Bless and keep safely those who spread Your Gospel into places where we cannot go. Encourage and strengthen them through Your Word, and through the power of that Word grant their efforts success. Move us to support their work with our sincere prayers and generous offerings.

P: Savior of all, we also pray that You would bless, strengthen, and encourage the pastors, teachers, and members of our sister congregations overseas:

C: Draw them, and us, closer to You through Your Word and closer to each other through our shared faith in Jesus Christ our Savior.

wind tore into the mountains and broke the rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; 12 and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a still small voice. 13 So it was, when Elijah heard it, that he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood in the entrance of the cave. Suddenly a voice came to him, and said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" 14 And he said, "I have been very zealous for the Lord God of hosts; because the children of Israel have forsaken Your covenant, torn down Your altars, and killed Your prophets with the sword. I alone am left; and they seek to take my life." 15 Then the Lord said to him: "Go, return on your way to the Wilderness of Damascus; and when you arrive, anoint Hazael as king over Syria. 16 Also you shall anoint Jehu the son of Nimshi as king over Israel. And Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel Meholah you shall anoint as prophet in your place. 17 It shall be that whoever escapes the sword of Hazael, Jehu will kill; and whoever escapes the sword of Jehu, Elisha will kill. 18 Yet I have reserved seven thousand in Israel, all whose knees have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him.

HYMN 297:

"The Gospel Shows the Father's Grace"

Part Two – Blind Man: John 9:1-11

Man is blind to the ways of God, who often uses suffering and the lowest of men to spread and grow His kingdom.

9 Now as Jesus passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. 2 And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" 3 Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him. 4 I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work. 5 As long as I

am in the world, I am the light of the world.” 6 When He had said these things, He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva; and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay. 7 And He said to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam” (which is translated, Sent). So he went and washed, and came back seeing. 8 Therefore the neighbors and those who previously had seen that he was blind said, “Is not this he who sat and begged?” 9 Some said, “This is he.” Others said, “He is like him.” He said, “I am he.” 10 Therefore they said to him, “How were your eyes opened?” 11 He answered and said, “A Man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.’ So I went and washed, and I received sight.”

HYMN 496:

“Hark the Voice of Jesus Calling”

The Apostles’ Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Part Three – Ephesians: Ephesians 1:3-10

The Word of God grows in you

God’s Word has a purpose, and that purpose is to grow in you, to make you “holy and blameless.” His word has declared you holy and blameless, now it also wants to grow and make you holy and blameless.

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, 4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, 5 having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, 6 to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved. 7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace 8 which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, 9 having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself, 10 that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times He might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven and which are on earth—in Him.

HYMN 500 (1):

“May God Bestow On Us His Grace”

HYMN 243 (1, 3, 5):

“Oh that I Had a Thousand Voices”

THE OFFERING OF THANKFUL HEARTS

OFFERING HYMN 786 (1, 4, 6):

“Take My Life and Let it Be”

PRAYER FOR MISSIONS

P: Dear Heavenly Father, we thank You for the many blessings You have given us through Your Word: the blessings of faith, and fellowship, comfort and hope, and the assurance of eternal life in heaven with You. We also thank You for the privilege of sharing that saving Word with others.