

July 28, 2013

10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

*do not be anxious about anything,  
but in everything by prayer ...  
with thanksgiving present your  
requests to God.*  
Philippians 4:6



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## **St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:30

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PRE-SERVICE PRAYER: Heavenly Father, We come before You to praise your Holy name. You sent Your only begotten Son into the world to bear our sin and redeem us from death. Grant that we may always believe this, and believing have life in Jesus' name. By the power of Your Holy Spirit grant us grace that we also may love one another as You have loved us, and thereby show forth the glory of Your salvation to the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (**38:1-3 as Gloria in Excelsis**)  
Please Note Order of service changes detailed below.

HYMNS: 456; 457; 408; 453:1,2

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 18:20-32

We see in Abraham both boldness and persistence in prayer, as he prays, not for himself, but the people of a nearby city. This intercessory prayer reminds us that we too should remember others in our prayers that the Lord might be gracious upon them and deliver them from His judgment.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 11:1-13

When asked for a lesson in prayer, Jesus presents the model prayer we know as the Lord's Prayer, a prayer that teaches us the importance of having spiritual matters predominate, and that not only for ourselves, but for the Lord's kingdom. He also presents an important lesson in persistence in prayer. If we would not hesitate to persist in asking a close friend for assistance in time of need, so we should never hesitate to keep on asking, keep on seeking from the Lord, keep on knocking at the gates of heaven for grace to help in time of need. The Lord will bring help according to His gracious good will for us.

THE SERMON: Colossians 2:6-15

Theme: In Christ We Possess a Complete Relationship  
with God.

- I. In Christ We Possess a Complete Salvation
- II. In Christ We Have A New Life.

## CALENDAR

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at Spring Valley at 7:30 a.m. Worship at St. Paul's at 9:30 a.m. Sermon text: Luke 12:13-21

### FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

October 13: Mission Festival Sunday. Pastor emeritus Dan Fleischer has agreed to serve as our guest speaker.

### SERVING TODAY

Pianist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Leon Hellickson, Lincoln Cole, Melvin Eichstadt,  
Preston Johnson

Cleaning: Barthels

July Lawn Mowing: Jeremy Glocke (August Lawn Mowing:  
Michael Larson)

### OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: July 21 worship – 31

Weekly Offerings Needed:	\$1,045.00	Other Offerings:	
Offerings Received	872.75		
Needed for Year:	30,295.00		
Received for Year:	27,341.75		

**AT THE HOSPITAL:** Muriel Schwartz is recuperating in a care center in the Inver Grove Heights area. She is expected to be there for another week.

**St. Paul's Web Site:** Please check out our restored congregation website. The bulletin and sermon will be on the site each week: <http://stpaulclcaustin.wordpress.com/>

**Recent Order of Service Changes:** The Church Council has approved some minor changes in our order of service. The following changes have been incorporated into our service beginning this month.

1. Opening Prayer: We will return to the earlier congregation practice of beginning the service with a prayer to call us to worship.
2. We will exchange different words and/or verses for the Gloria in Excelsis, where we most commonly now sing hymn 237:1 which has expressions that have been misunderstood by some in the past.
3. On communion Sundays the congregation will be invited to say the Lord's prayer with the pastor. However, we shall still join in singing the doxology of the Lord's Prayer as we have in past communion Sunday's.