



Take off  
your sandals,  
for the place where  
you are standing is  
holy ground.

**E x o d u s 3 : 5**

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

2100 16<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Austin, MN 55912

Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:30 a.m.

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Worship Services broadcast on Austin Cable Channel 6, M & W, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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PRE-SERVICE PRAYER: Heavenly Father, most holy God, we who come before you today confessing our sins, seeking Your grace in Christ Jesus for the pardon and peace. By Your Holy Spirit working through the gospel we hear this morning create clean hearts within us, and renew in us steadfast spirits, that we may know the joy of Your salvation and the peace and assurance of Your presence. Guided by Your Holy Spirit lead us to confess Your name before the world that sinners may know the path to repentance and life that is found in Your Son, Jesus Christ. It is in His name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (248:1-3 )

HYMNS: 21; 779; 398; 50:2

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 1:3-21

Without doubt the persecutions and tribulations in this life test the genuineness of our faith. The holy Scriptures, given first through the prophets, were written for our learning that grace should come to us. In genuine faith we discipline our minds and hope fully in the grace of God. We turn away from the lusts of this world and live holy lives to the glory of God knowing that the most holy God redeemed us, not with silver or gold but with the precious blood of Christ.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 7:1-10

The genuine nature of the Roman centurion's faith is seen in his humility of faith and absolute confidence in the authority of Jesus and Jesus' word. We should have such confidence that Jesus' possesses such authority that all that He commands will be done, and such a faith that we know that Jesus desires and directs all things for our good and blessing. This directs us on our prayers as we know the love and care of a powerful Savior.

THE SERMON: Exodus 3:1-6

Theme: The Holy Ground upon We Stand

I. An Amazing Thing Is Set Before Us

II. Our God Speaks to Us in His Holiness

III. Honor the Glory of the LORD  
CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible Class will follow the service.

WEDNESDAY: Catechism class in Lake Mills at 4:30. Ladies Aid at 7:00 p.m. Amanda Larson hostess.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and Bible Class will follow the service. Sermon text: 2 Peter 1:16-21.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

March 5<sup>th</sup>: Ash Wednesday. (Soup and sandwich sign-up sheet is ready and can be found on the mailbox table.)

March 15<sup>th</sup>: Immanuel Lutheran college tour choir concert at St. Paul's beginning at 1:00. Sunday school children will be singing a song with the choir! Parents make sure you have the music.

March 28-30: **CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S RETREAT** at the Riverport Inn & Suites in Winona, MN, sponsored by Immanuel Lutheran Church of Mankato. Brochures can be found on the table in the narthex.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Preston Johnson, Ken Nickson, Arnie Ottjes, Joe Ubl

Cleaning: Eichstadt

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: February 16 Worship – 31, Sunday school - 6.

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,083.00	Other Offerings / Memorials	
Offerings Received	742.00		
Needed for Year:	7,581.00		
Received for Year:	5,335.00		

**ORGANIST GRATUITY**: It is that time of year when we gather a gratuity to be divided among those who have provided music for our

services last year. The offering basket by the mail box table is designated for that purpose and gifts will be received through the remainder of the month.

**IMMANUEL COLLEGE TOUR CHOIR CONCERT:** This year the tour route for Immanuel Lutheran College choir goes right through Austin. We therefore have the opportunity for the choir to present a sacred concert here at St. Paul's on **Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 p.m.** **Our Sunday school children will be singing a song with the choir!** We will be feeding the choir lunch and serving refreshments after the concert. They will need to be on the road by 2:30 p.m. to make the long drive to Kansas City, MO.

**CLC NEWS:** Mr. Michael Naumann currently teaching in Bahrain, has received the call to teach at Immanuel Lutheran High School in Mankato, MN.

### **Camp Koyquin 2014**

Who: CLC members and friends entering grades 5 – 12! What: A week of fun and fellowship! When: **June 22 – 28, 2014!** Where: Camp JIM facilities, Pillager, MN. Why: Build relationships, study God's Word, meet some mentors, be a mentor, fellowship and fun! How: By bus, plane, or car! See the website below for more information. How much: Camp tuition is \$150 per camper if registered by May 31st. Registration opens March 15, 2014! Register soon – the camp fills up fast! **Register online: [www.clclutheran.net/koyquin](http://www.clclutheran.net/koyquin).** For more details, check out the website! Or contact one of the directors: Tom Naumann (thomasjnaumann@gmail.com 920-266-5387) or Jess Ohlmann (jessicaohlmann3@yahoo.com 402-322-1027).