

Light dawns for the righteous,
and joy for the upright in heart.

Psalm 97:11



St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

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

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PRAYER: Heavenly Father, today I am approaching Your altar where I shall receive the true body and blood of Your Son sacrificed for me and my sin upon the cross. I know and confess my sin. Bless my reception of this communion that I may gain confidence that You have forgiven all my sins. Help me to live according to Your holy will, defeating temptation in my daily life, and glorifying Your name before the world in all my words and actions. In Jesus' name. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 15

HYMNS: 787; 447; 755; 54

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Ephesians 2:19-22

We have been blessed to have been brought into the household of God. We are no longer strangers or “illegal aliens” because of the foundation of God’s Word by which the Holy Spirit has called us to faith in Christ Jesus, the chief cornerstone. It is through Christ that we fit into the building of the temple of God, the place where the Lord dwells, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 10:16-22

Jesus knew what kind of dangers His disciples would face going out into the world, that He would be sending us out as sheep among wolves and there would be dangers for our souls and our bodies. Jesus warned that even loved ones would turn against believers, at times having believing family members put to death. The Lord states plainly that we will be hated by all for His name’s sake. That is the way it will be in this world, “but he who endures to the end will be saved.” (v.22)

THE SERMON: Proverbs 4:14-23

Theme: Staying on the Right Path in Life

- I. Avoiding the Path of Evil
- II. Following the Path that leads to Perfect Light
- III. Paying Attention to the Lord’s Directions

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION: We observe the Scriptural practice of close communion. We do this in loving concern for all who would desire to commune, that it might be for their spiritual blessing and not their spiritual harm. The Scriptures teach us that communicants need to be able to examine themselves concerning their sin and repentance, and also a proper understanding of the Lord’s presence in the sacrament. We ask that only those who are members of this congregation, or one affiliated with us in the CLC, partake of the sacrament. Please speak with the pastor if you would wish to commune with us at a future time.

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Church council follow the service.

WEDNESDAY: Ladies Aid at 7:00 p.m. Jean Hellickson is scheduled to serve.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30 with Sunday school and Bible class following the service. Sermon text: Ephesians 4:8-16

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

October 26: Joint Reformation Service at Immanuel in Mankato at 4:00 p.m.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Phil Egtvedt, Andy Ball, Leon Hellickson

Cleaning: Nelson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: September 14 Worship – 26

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,080.00	Other Offerings	
Offerings Received	\$718.00	Memorials	
Needed for Year:	39,260.00	Lincoln Cole Prop. Imprv. Fund	\$130.00
Received for Year:	34,747.50		

CLC NEWS: Zion Lutheran, Lawrenceville GA, has called the Rev. Nathan Pfeiffer, Spokane WA. Calvary Lutheran, Marquette MI, has called the Rev. Douglas Libby, Mankato MN.

CLC FINANCIAL REPORT

August 2014

<i>Financial Report</i>	<i>Balance</i>	<i>Year to</i>	<i>Year to</i>	<i>FY 2015</i>	<i>Balance</i>
Operating Funds	7/1/14	Revenue	Disbursed	Budget	8/31/14
				2 Months	
General Fund	0	126,450	144,515	\$150,667	-18,065
ILC Operations	0	306,344	180,264	\$226,000	126,080
Total	\$0	\$432,794	\$324,779	\$376,667	\$108,015
Auxiliary Funds					
IIF - ILC Improvement	67,647	2,144	55,681		14,110
ILC Building	14,168	11,446	15,968		9,646
MDF - Mission Development	190,077	18,095	116,925		91,247
Kinship	59,320	11,369	13,184		57,505
CEF - Church Extension	1,624,476	90,801	101,022		1,614,255
SAF - Student Aid Fund	19,672	48,209	31,593		36,288
Reserve Fund	89,769	0	0		89,769

CEF Loan (ILC Academic Center)		
Beginning Balance	January 1, 2010	<i>\$1,751,804</i>
Current Balance	August 31, 2014	<i>\$1,444,073</i>
	Change in Principal	<i>-\$307,731</i>

Comment:

- Fall 2014 semester at Immanuel opened on August 25, 2014.
- IIF project disbursement of \$55,681 for asphalt surface maintenance and repair.
- SAF revenue includes \$38,024 in investment earnings from the SAF Endowment.
- Public Ministry Grants of \$1,100 to 19 student (seminary, pre-theology, education) totaled \$20,900.
- MDF disbursements for seminary buildings in HCLC - Nepal (\$50,000) and BELC - India (\$23,000).

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