



St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

2100 16th 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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www.CLClutheran.org

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PRAYER: Heavenly Father, most holy God, we come before you today seeking Your grace in Christ Jesus for pardon and peace. By Your Holy Spirit working through the gospel we hear this morning renew in us 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 in Jesus Christ. In His name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (244)

HYMNS: 239; 457; 400; 50:2

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: 1 Kings 17:1-16

This account of how the Lord cared for Elijah during the drought in Israel and its surrounding territories teaches us of the faithfulness of God in caring for His children, even among those who are not of the natural people of Israel. God is not limited to strictly natural means in providing for us. Trust in the Lord, cast your care upon Him, knowing He is fully able to provide for our every need, and deliver us from every trouble.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 10:16-22

If we are confident of our friendship with another we will persist in asking for the favor we need. We know that even if inconvenient, our friend will come to our aid. Jesus wants us to have such bold confidence in turning to Him in prayer. He encourages us to be persistent in prayer confident that the Lord will give us every good thing we may need.

THE SERMON: Ephesians 4:8-16

Theme: Jesus Takes Care of His Church

- I. Providing Necessary Gifts
- II. Equipping the Saints for Their Work of Ministry
- III. Raising Us Up in His Truth

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible class follow the service.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30 with Sunday school and Bible class following the service. Sermon text: Matthew 25:14-30

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

October 18: Work day at church – Fall Yard cleanup

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: Ubl

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: September 21 Worship – 27

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,080.00	Other Offerings: Memorials
Offerings Received	718.00	Dillin Nickson \$2000; Lincoln
Needed for Year:	39,260.00	Cole \$500; Lincoln Cole
Received for Year:	34,747.50	\$15.00; Lincoln Cole – Property Imprv. Fund \$500.00

CLC NEWS: The Rev. Thomas Schuetze, pastor of Faith Lutheran, Coloma MI, has accepted the call to St. Paul Lutheran, Lakewood CO. <> Grace Lutheran, Live Oak FL, has called the Rev. John M. Johannes, pastor of Mt. Olive/St. Paul Lutheran, Detroit Lakes/Ponsford MN. <> The Rev. Neal Radichel, pastor of Luther Memorial Lutheran, Fond du Lac WI, has returned the call to become the third pastor at Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI.