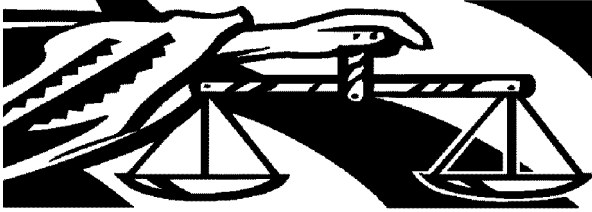


What does the Lord require of you



**but to do justice...
love kindness,
& to walk humbly
with your God?**



M i c a h 6 : 8

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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PRAYER: Oh Lord, who has caused all Holy Scripture to be written for our edification, grant us Your Holy Spirit that He might open our hearts to reverently hear Your Word, and hearing that we may be brought to a fuller knowledge of your glory revealed in our salvation in Jesus Christ. Grant that, having fed our souls upon the Bread of Life, we may be invigorated to live our lives to the glory of our Savior's name. It is in His name alone that we pray. Amen.

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

HYMNS: 24; 243; 496; 644

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: 1 Kings 17:17-24

Elijah was confronted by the doubts and pain the widow of Zarephath felt in her heart when her son became so seriously ill that he died. She immediately thought it had to be because of her sin that the Lord had taken her son from her. Elijah prayed earnestly for the child to be restored to life and the Lord heard his prayer. The woman knew that Elijah was a prophet of the true God. Her faith was confirmed. We also need to have our faith confirmed. The Word of the Lord is true. He is merciful toward us in our tribulation and weakness, and able to deliver us from every evil.

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 5:14-24

We are to live sanctified Christian lives, not be unruly, but kind and considerate of others, compassionate and forgiving. We should rejoice and give thanks always for everything God has done for us. We should test all things, abstaining from what is evil and clinging to that which is good. We will not be successful with our strength in doing this. We ask the God of peace to sanctify us that is to preserve us from the evil of this world and keep us blameless in Christ Jesus.

THE SERMON: Matthew 25:14-30

Theme: Stewards of a Sacred Trust from the Lord

- I. The Lord Jesus Trusts us to Serve Him during His Absence
- II. We Are to be Faithful Stewards of His Gifts

October 5, 2014

17th Sunday after Pentecost

III. There will be an Accounting of Our Stewardship

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: Proverbs 16:1-9.

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: Randy Berg; Melvin Eichstadt; Luke Berg, Leon Hellickson

Cleaning: Ubl

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: Sept. 28 Worship – 38 Sunday school – 7 Bible Class -12

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,080.00	Other Offerings: Memorials
Offerings Received	899.00	Lincoln Cole – Property Imprv.
Needed for Year:	41,420.00	Fund \$50.00
Received for Year:	35,710.50	

CLC NEWS: The Rev. Neal Radichel, pastor of Luther Memorial Lutheran, Fond du Lac WI, has received the call to become the third pastor at Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI. The Rev. Nathan Pfeiffer, pastor of Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA, has returned the call to Zion Lutheran, Lawrenceville GA. The congregation has now called Ernest Bernet, member of Faith Lutheran, Manchester MO, formerly a member of the LCMS who just completed colloquy.