

Your **WORD**
is a
LAMP
to my
feet
and a
LIGHT
to my path.
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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 (38:1-3)

HYMNS: 294; 366:1-5; 424; 283

THE EPISTLE LESSON: James 3:13-18

In the wisdom that comes from the Lord we gain meekness, and service to others. This wisdom which is pure and gentle and peaceable is the fruit of righteousness. The "wisdom" that promotes self and envy is not from above but from the world. Envy and self-seeking produces confusion and evil. May God deliver us from such false wisdom found in the world and in our sinful flesh.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 10:38-42

What is important to the Lord for us to be accomplishing in our lives is often not the same as what we feel is pressing for us to get done. Both Mary and Martha felt a strong desire to serve the Lord, but Martha in her desire to serve was missing out on that which the Lord wanted most for her. Mary sat at Jesus feet listening to His Word. May we always realize that the Lord first desires the hearing of His Word, for this treasure cannot be taken away from us. Then the Lord will gladly receive the labors of our hands and our offerings.

THE SERMON: Proverbs 16:1-9

Theme: Tapping into God's Way of Thinking

- I. When Making Plans for the Future
- II. When Seeking Righteousness
- III. When Pursuing Success

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible class follow the service.

SATURDAY: Work day at church – Fall Yard cleanup, 9 till noon.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship with Holy Communion at 9:30 with Sunday school and Church Council following the service. Sermon text: 2 Corinthians 7:6-10.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

October 26: QUARTERLY VOTERS' MEETING! A potluck lunch will follow Bible class at 11:30, and the voters' meeting will begin at 12:30 p.m. Joint Reformation Service at Immanuel in Mankato at 4:00 p.m. (For additional information see below.)

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

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

Cleaning: Ubl

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: October 5 Worship – 20 Sunday school – 2 Bible Class - 8

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,080.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	1,206.00	Missions \$50.00
Needed for Year:	42,500.00	Memorials:
Received for Year:	37,916.00	Martha Cole – Missions \$25.00

CLC NEWS: Pastor John M. Johannes, Mt. Olive/St. Paul Lutheran, Detroit Lakes/Ponsford, MN, has returned the call to Grace Lutheran, Live Oak FL. <> Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI, has called the Rev. Caleb Schaller, pastor of Redemption Lutheran, Lynnwood WA. <> The Rev. Ernest Bernet has accepted the call to Zion Lutheran, Lawrenceville GA.

Minnesota Reformation Festival: A joint Reformation festival worship service will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Mankato, MN, on

October 26, 4:00 pm. The theme, "Faith of Our Fathers," will consider the background that caused selected hymn writers to pen their words to music. Following the worship service there will be a potluck meal in which you may bring a dish to share. An adult choir will sing during the service with a 3:00 pm rehearsal for those who wish to participate. Also, the children are invited to sing a song together with a rehearsal at 3:45 pm (5th/6th grade room of the school). If your congregation is in Minnesota, music is available through your pastor/choir director. If not, you may contact Lane Fisher for copies (lane.fischer@immanuelmankato.org). For any other questions, please email Pastor John Hein (jphein@clclutheran.com).