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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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PRAYER: Heavenly Father, We come before You to praise your Holy name. You have loved us with an everlasting love. You sent Your only begotten Son to bear our sin and redeem us from death. Grant that we may always believe this, and believing have life in Jesus' name. May Your Holy Spirit grant us grace that we also may love one another as You have loved us, showing forth the glory of Your salvation to the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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HYMNS: 246; 611; 605; 50:2,3

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Hebrews 12:18-24

The choice is set before us, to approach God through Sinai or to approach God through Zion. At Sinai God presented Himself in view of the law which we have not kept. At Sinai one sees God as a consuming fire. At Zion the Lord presents Himself through Christ whose sacrifice appeased God's wrath. Through Zion God presents Himself to us in grace and peace. Thank God that by faith in Jesus we come to God in grace and peace, and shall be received into eternal life.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 5:19-29

Jesus has received all authority through the Father, including all judgment, for it is the atoning blood of Christ that alone makes us righteous before God. All should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. If we do not so honor Jesus as God neither do we honor the Father who sent Him. If we hear Jesus' word and believe in Him who sent Jesus, we have passed from death to life. The day is coming when all the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God and all who hear shall live.

THE SERMON: Revelation: 7:9-17

Theme: The Glories of Judgment Day

- I. The Gathering of the Elect
- II. Glorifying the God of our Salvation

November 23, 2014

Last Sunday after Pentecost

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III. Entering the Bliss of Eternal Life

## CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible Class follow the service.

THURSDAY: Thanksgiving Worship at 9:30. Text 1 Corinthians 6:19-20.

NEXT SUNDAY: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent -Worship at 9:30 with Sunday school and Bible class following the service. Sermon text: Luke 1:68-79.

### FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

December 3, 10, 17: Midweek Advent meditations! Soup and sandwich supper will begin serving at 6:00 p.m. with Advent meditation at 7:00. For our Advent meditations we will be revisiting our advent series from 2007 with the theme *Advent Stars*.

**December 7: Christmas fellowship** with potluck meal and Christmas decorating follow after the Sunday service.

December 24: Christmas Eve Children's service begins at **6:00** p.m.

December 25: Christmas Festival worship at 9:30 a.m.

December 31: New Year's Eve worship at 7:00 p.m.

### SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Arnie Ottjes; Joe Ubl; Norm Schwartz; Phil Egtvedt

Cleaning: Hellickson

### OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: November 16 Worship 26, Sunday school 4; No Bible Class

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,080.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	685.00	
Needed for Year:	48,980.00	
Received for Year:	42,111.00	

**AT THE HOSPITAL:** Samantha Barthels is at Methodist Hospital in Rochester finishing her round of chemo therapy in preparation for the blood stem cell transplant. The transplant is scheduled for Tuesday evening. Please remember her in your prayers. The address for Samantha's rental in Rochester is 1016 13<sup>th</sup> Ave. NW Rochester, MN 55901.