



Let us keep our eyes
on Jesus, the author and
perfecter of our faith.

Hebrews 12:2

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: Heavenly Father, in your grace and love for a fallen mankind You have caused the light of the glory of God to be revealed in the face of Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit into our midst, that as we hear Your holy Word we may comprehend the glory of Jesus so that the light of the gospel might shine in our hearts, dispelling the darkness of sin and death and granting us the hope of everlasting life, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 22 in Worship Supplement

HYMNS: 16; 394; 378; 644

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 2 Peter 1:3-11

Our God and Savior Jesus has given us all things that pertain to life and godliness, allowing us to escape the corruption of this evil world with all of its selfish, sinful desires. Because the Lord has been gracious to us in this way let us strive to grow in living our faith, adding a virtuous life to our faith, and ever increasing in the knowledge om the truth, and exercising real self-control as empowered by the Spirit that we might persevere in the faith and live godly lives. Then the world will see brotherly love and kindness as fruits of our faith as we live to the praise and glory of Jesus.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 7:14-17

Jesus' glory was clearly revealed by the authority of His teaching, but some challenged His teaching because He had not gone to study with the learned scholars of the day. Jesus' teaching and authority had a higher source. All He taught was given to Him from God the Father. So it is yet today that the Word of our Lord is true with the authority of God and God's power to save.

THE SERMON: Daniel 4:31-34

Theme: Submitting to The Authority of God's Word

I. The Clarity of God's Word

II. Unbelieving Pride - He who Exalts Himself will be Humbled

February 8, 2015

5th Sunday after Epiphany

III. Glorify God - He who Humbles Himself Will be Exalted

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school will follow after the service. The Ladies Aid is sponsoring **A Wedding card shower for Carla and Luke Berg** following the service. A brief meeting of the council will be held in the church office immediately after the service.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship with Holy Communion at 9:30, with Sunday school and church Council following the service. Sermon text: 2 Corinthians 3:12-18.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

February 18th: Ash Wednesday. Midweek Lenten services begin. **Soup and Sandwich sign up sheet can be found on mailbox table.**

SERVING TODAY

Pianist: Erica Barthels

Ushers: Preston Johnson, Ken Nickson, Arnie Ottjes, Joe Ubl

Cleaning: Hellickson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: February 1 Worship 14 Sunday school 0 Bible Class 5

CLC NEWS:. Calvary Lutheran, Marquette MI, has called the Rev. Michael Gurath, pastor of Holy Cross Lutheran, Phoenix AZ.

Evangelism Workshop - All are invited to participate in this year's Evangelism Workshop on Sunday, February 15, from 3:00 to 6:30 pm at Messiah, Eau Claire. The theme is "Prepared to Answer!" Our format will feature presentations, as well as break-out sessions for discussion and application. A soup and chili fellowship supper will follow. Come and learn – Come and share!

CORRECTIONS: Please note a couple of inadvertent errors in the Annual Report, and make corrections in your copy. On page 3 the date of death for Lincoln Cole should have read 9-6-2014. On page 6 the Ladies Aid Cradle Roll Committee should read **Emily Mason**, Amanda Larson.

I apologize for any difficulty these errors have made and will correct them in remaining copies.

Ladies Aid request: There is a need for volunteers on the card committee and for the position of congregation historian. If you are interested in helping out in one of these areas please contact Ladies Aid Vice-President Deb Berg.

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS: the city of Austin has sent us notification of street and sidewalk improvements that are to be done in front the church and parsonage. The total estimated assessment for St. Paul's would be just under \$14,000. The public hearing on this assessment is scheduled February 17, from 6:30-7:00 p.m. in the city council chambers at 500 4th Ave NE.

This matter will be before the church council next Sunday. Council members may meet briefly today for preliminary discussions of the matter. This information was not available at the time of our annual meeting in January.