



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 181, M & W, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

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PRAYER: Heavenly Father, today I am approaching Your altar where I shall receive the true body and blood of Your Son sacrificed for me and my sin upon the cross. I know and confess my sin. but I come to you pleading the merits of Your Son. Bless my reception of this communion that I may be assured that You have forgiven all my sins. Help me to live according to Your holy will, defeating temptation in my daily life, and glorifying Your name before the world in all my words and actions. In Jesus' name. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p 15

HYMNS: 359; 135; 315:1-5; 315:15

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 2 Peter 1:16-21

The world accuses us of following “cunningly devised fables” in our faith in Christ. This is not the case, and we should not be intimidated into silence. We have confirmation of the Word of God in the transfiguration of Jesus and the appearance of the Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus about His impending death. No prophecy of Scripture came by man or is subject to private interpretation. “Holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit” (v.21).

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 17:1-9

They saw Jesus change! They saw the glory of the Lord! They heard the voice of the Father coming from the bright cloud, endorsing Jesus as the His beloved Son, the One man with whom God was well pleased, the One whom they should hear! It was more than they could bear, or at that time fully comprehend, much less understand. They were not to talk about this incident until after the resurrection. Now Jesus is risen from the dead and we may testify boldly to the truth of God's Word that finds its fulfillment in Christ Jesus.

THE SERMON: 2 Corinthians 3:12-18

Theme: Sharing the Glory of Christ

February 15, 2015

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- I. Boldness to Reveal Christ's Glory
 - II. Removal of the Veil of the Law from Our Hearts
 - III. Blessings Coming to Us from Jesus' Glory

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

We observe the Scriptural practice of close communion. Since participation in communion is a confession of unity of teaching and faith, you will not want to commune with us until you have had a chance to compare your beliefs with ours. Please speak with the pastor to set up an appointment - we want to share this blessing with you!

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and church council follow after the service. **St. Paul's Ladies Aid** is also having a business meeting following the service this morning. The church council will be considering the notice of **special assessments** the city of Austin has sent us regarding 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.

WEDNESDAY: This Wednesday is **Ash Wednesday**, a day which has been observed as a day of special repentance by the church for many centuries. It is the beginning of Lent. Our midweek Lenten meditations will begin. **Worship with communion** will begin at 7:00 p.m. **Soup and Sandwich supper** will be served beginning at 6:00 p.m. we hope many of our members and guests can join us for the fellowship over supper and worship. Volunteer signup sheet for preparing and serving these suppers can be found in the mail box table.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30 with Sunday school and Bible class following the service. Sermon text: Jeremiah 2:17-19.

SERVING TODAY

Pianist: Teresa Glocke

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

Cleaning: Larson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: February 8 Worship 24 Sunday school 2 No Bible Class

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,142.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received on 2/1 & 2/8	1326.00	Memorial for Martha and Jacob Tuinder for Prop. Imprv. Fund
Needed for Year:	\$5,530	\$25.00 -
Received for Year:	4676.00	

CLC NEWS: Stephanie Purrington has accepted the call to teach kindergarten at Immanuel Lutheran School, Mankato, MN, beginning in the Fall of 2015. <> Redemption Lutheran, Lynnwood WA, has called the Rev. Mark Tiefel, pastor of Bethel Lutheran, Morris MN. <> Gethsemane Lutheran, Spokane Valley WA, has called Teacher Jeffrey Karnitz of St. Stephen Lutheran, Mountain View CA, to be principal and teacher at its school, reopening in the Fall. <> Resurrection Lutheran, Corpus Christi TX, has called the Rev. Michael Roehl, pastor of St. Paul Lutheran, Bismarck ND.