



*"But you shall
receive power when
the Holy Spirit has come upon you;
and you shall be my witnesses..."*
-Acts 1:8

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: 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. We pray that You would 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.

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HYMNS: 236; 232; 235:1-3; 233:1,5,7

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 44:1-6

The Lord sends comfort to those who are oppressed. He promised to pour out His Spirit on those who are caught in sin's spiritual desert like floods of water being poured out on a dry ground. This promise is fulfilled for us in the coming of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit has refreshed us with the refreshing waters of the gospel so that we know and believe in our Redeemer, the Lord, the only God!

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Acts 2:1-15, 40-41

The fulfillment of Jesus' promise of the Holy Spirit was a powerful event. The power revealed in the sound of the wind, and with the sign of the tongues of fire were indicative of the true power that entered the hearts of the apostles as they were enriched with wisdom and gifts from on high. The message that was given them to speak in the languages of the world was also empowered by the Holy Spirit. On that day three thousand were baptized. That was but the beginning of the flow of grace that would go forth from Jerusalem to all the world, and which would refresh our hearts also.

THE SERMON: John 7:37-39

Theme: The Spirit Refreshes with Living Water of the Gospel

I. Jesus the Oasis for the Sin Parched Soul.

II. Rivers of Living Water Flow from Hearts of Believers

May 24, 2015

Pentecost Sunday

III. Jesus' Exaltation Initiates the Age of the Holy Spirit.

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible class are in summer recess.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30 Sermon text: Number 6:22-27.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

June 7: Delegate Conference in Eagle Lake, MN beginning at 3:00 p.m.

June 16-18: CLC General Pastoral Conference in Eau Claire, WI.

June 18-21: Arise and Shine 20's - 30's Retreat (See announcement below.)

June 21-27 & July 19-25: ILC Youth Camp in Eau Claire, WI.
youthcamp.clclutheran.net

July 28 – August 2: Youth Conference sponsored by Immanuel, Mankato. This is for young people of College and High School age. It will be held in Como, CO. Brochure available on resource table in narthex. Registration is now open at youthconference.info

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Andy Ball, Joe Ubl, Phil Egtvedt, Leon Hellickson

Cleaning: Nelson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: May 17 Worship 33 Sunday school 4

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,142.00	Other Offerings:	
Offerings Received	\$748.00	Street Assessment	\$100.00
Needed for Year:	\$22,664.00	Nepal disaster relief	\$60.00
Received for Year:	\$18,674.00		

Special offering for Street Assessment: So far \$225 in special gifts have been received toward the \$5000 we need by October 1 to cover the assessment charges. We need to receive a \$1000 per month starting with May to reach that

goal. Please give this your prayerful consideration, knowing the Lord loves a cheerful giver and remembering the rich blessings to soul and body the Lord has bestowed upon us all. Special envelopes for this offering can be found attached to the posters in the classroom hallway and on the bulletin board.

SPOKESMAN SUBSCRIPTIONS. Subscription renewal time has arrived again. Please indicate your intention to renew on the sheet on the mailbox table in the narthex. **The \$15 Subscription payment should be made to St. Paul.** Please make this separate from your regular offering.

CLC NEWS: Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has called Mr. Matthew Kranz, Eau Claire WI, to serve as 5th and 6th grade teacher beginning in the Fall 2015.

Update Earthquake in Nepal. As they are able to gain internet access the Bhitrakotis have been posting updates to facebook on the Himalayan Church of the Lutheran Confession Nepal – HCLCN. If you have facebook and wish to see updates and photos you can find them there or “like” their page.

Arise and Shine 20's - 30's Retreat – Grace Lutheran Church of Valentine, NE is once again sponsoring a four-day retreat in Pillager, MN, June 18–21 (Thurs. - Sun.). The retreat is designed for men and women in their 20s & 30s. Singles, couples, and families are welcome. You can find more information and register on our web site: www.AriseAndShineRetreat.com. For more info, please contact Alana (Ahrens) Cardinal (402) 322-9064 alanaahrens@yahoo.com or Pastor Luke Bernthal (402) 389-2147 lbernthal@live.com.