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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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[www.CLClutheran.org](http://www.CLClutheran.org)

[www.ilc.edu/home.htm](http://www.ilc.edu/home.htm)

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.

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HYMNS: 246; 250; 38:1-3; 38:4

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 6:1-8

The Lord reveals Himself both in His holiness and in His grace. Before the Lord's holiness we too must confess our sinfulness!" However, the Lord also reveals His grace in the cleansing power of the gospel. In the vision, a coal from the altar is touched to Isaiah's lips. The altar is the cross of Christ where the one sacrifice for all sin was made. The Lord has touched our hearts with that sacrifice and we are cleansed from all sin. The Lord asks, "Who will go?" With grateful hearts we reply with Isaiah, "Here am I. Send me!" We are now ready to tell others of the God of our salvation.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 28:18-20

Before Jesus' ascension He presented His Church with the great commission. We are to go out into all the world and make disciples, followers of Jesus, by declaring the grace that comes to us through baptism from the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, the one and only God, the God of our salvation.

THE ATHANASIAN CREED: with hymn 250 (See insert.)

THE SERMON: Numbers 6:22-27

Theme: God, the LORD, puts His Name upon Us and Blesses Us

- I. The LORD Blesses Us with Preservation
- II. The LORD Blesses Us with Redemption

May 31, 2015

Trinity Sunday

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III. The LORD Blesses Us with His Peace

## CALENDAR

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

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Delegate Conference in Eagle Lake, MN beginning at 3:00 p.m. Sermon text: Mark 4:26-29.

### FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

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](http://youthcamp.clclutheran.net)

June 28-29: Board of Regents meeting in Fridley.

July 28 – August 2: YOUTH CONFERENCE '15 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. **The deadline to apply for scholarships** to fund Youth Conference is tomorrow (**June 1st**). There is scholarship money available to significantly reduce the cost. Applying for a scholarship is not hard--details are on the website. See scholarship details and other conference info at [www.youthconference.info](http://www.youthconference.info)

August 10-16: Pastor on vacation.

### SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

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

Cleaning: Nelson

### OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: May 24 Worship 33

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,142.00	Other Offerings:	
Offerings Received	\$ 528.00	Street Assessment	\$15.00
Needed for Year:	\$23,806.00		
Received for Year:	\$19,202.00		

**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.

**An update on earthquake relief in Nepal:** The CLC Board of Missions has been in regular contact with Pastor Raju since his return to Nepal. He has recently finished a visitation of the HCLCN congregations, and will give a formal report soon. To this point they have provided immediate aid and housing to our HCLCN members who have suffered loss. The next step will be to build temporary buildings to protect the members during the monsoon season which is now upon them. Once that is over they will begin the work of rebuilding permanent structures. Please continue to keep our brethren in your prayers, as well as the people of Nepal as a whole. This tragedy is an opportunity for our fellow believers to share the hope that is in them with their unbelieving neighbors. May the Lord bless their witness to them! Offerings are still being received for earthquake relief –envelopes should be marked “**MDF – Nepal Earthquake.**” Online donations can also be made at this link: [www.lutheranmissions.org/earthquake](http://www.lutheranmissions.org/earthquake).

**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](http://www.AriseAndShineRetreat.com).