

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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<u>PRAYER</u>: 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.5 (242)

HYMNS: 17; 421; 430; 430:8

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Acts 3:1-10

Money isn't everything, or the greatest help that one might extend to the needy. Peter and John didn't have any money, but they had Jesus and His power to save. They shared Jesus with the lame man, and not only was his body healed and made strong, but he glorified God, and knew the power of the Lord to save.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 9:9-13

In calling Matthew Jesus called the sinner to leave behind the treasures and pleasures of this world. Matthew's response was immediate. He arose and followed Jesus. He invited Jesus to be a guest in his house and introduced Jesus to other sinners that they might receive the blessings Matthew received from the Lord. Jesus was criticized for associating with sinners but he was not endorsing their sin, but rather calling sinners to repentance.

THE SERMON: Genesis 15:1-6

Theme: God's Gracious Reward for His Children

- I. Knowing the Lord as Our Shield and Great Reward
- II. Recognizing the Lord's Great Promises Are Real.
- III. Receiving the Righteousness that is of Faith

CALENDAR

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

<u>TUESDAY</u> - <u>THURSDAY</u>: Pastor Barthels will be in Eau Claire attending the CLC General Pastoral Conference. He will be returning home Thursday evening. In case of emergency contact the pastor on His cell number, (507) 219-2517.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u> Worship with Holy Communion at 9:30. CHURCH COUNCIL is scheduled to follow the service. Sermon text: Mat. 5:1-6.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

<u>June 18-21</u>: Arise and Shine 20's - 30's Retreat 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.

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

<u>June 24, July 1, 8, 15</u>: We have scheduled our Vacation Bible School on these four consecutive Wednesday evenings from 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. VBS is for all children from four years of age through 8^{th} grade. Visitors are welcome but should register ahead so we have adequate supplies.

<u>June 28-29</u>: Board of Regents meeting in Fridley.

<u>July 28 – August 2</u>: YOUTH CONFERENCE '15 Youth Conference sponsored by Immanuel, Mankato. This in for young people of College and High School age. **The deadline for early-bird pricing and scholarships is Monday—June 15**. Go to www.youthconference.info to sign-up today! (and for more information).

August 10-16: Pastor on vacation.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

<u>Ushers:</u> Melvin Eichstadt, Randy Berg, Luke Berg, Preston Johnson

Cleaning: Ubl

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: June 7 Worship 46

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,142.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$N/A	
Needed for Year:	\$26,090.00	
Received for Year:	\$20,222.00	

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<u>CLC NEWS</u>: Mr. Barry Hay has accepted the call to teach part-time at Faith Lutheran School in Markesan. Faith has called the Rev Michael Schierenbeck to serve as their pastor. Michael Schierenbeck resigned from the ministry in connection with a leukemia diagnosis. He is now a cancer survivor 8 years after blood/bone marrow stem cell transplant.

ARISE AND SHINE 20's - 30's RETREAT Last chance to register! – June 18-21 - Pillager, MN – The 2015 Arise and Shine retreat in Pillager, MN, is this week: Thurs. June 18– Sun. June 21. This retreat is designed for men and women in their 20s & 30s. Singles, couples, and families are welcome. The registration fee includes lodging, meals and snacks, and activities during the retreat. The cost is \$140.00 per adult (ages 12 and up), \$100 per child (ages 0-11). This year's theme is "RECHARGE!" Our theme is based on the "rest" that Jesus promises us in Matthew 11:28-30 and the "rest" God instructs us to take in Exodus 20:8 (The Third Commandment – "Remember the Sabbath Day..."). If you are looking for a faith-strengthening weekend with young adult Christians that is focused on the Word of God, this retreat is for you! You can find more information and register on our web site: www.AriseAndShineRetreat.com.

For more info, please contact:

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