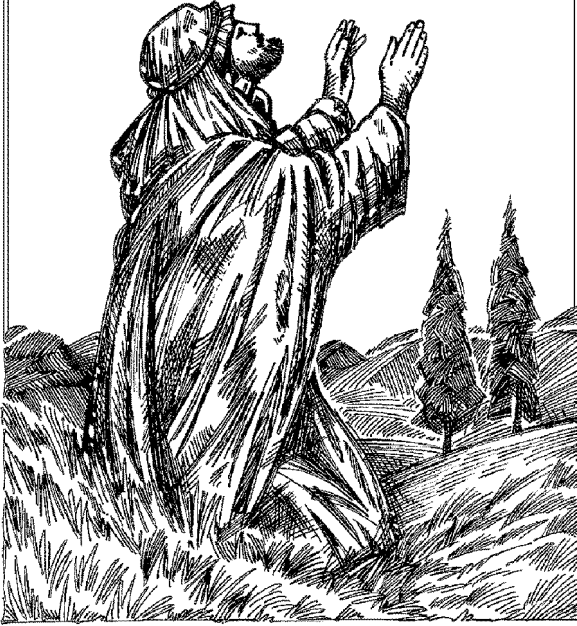


A broken and
contrite heart, O God,
you will not despise.

Psalm 51:17



St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:30 a.m.

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PRAYER: Heavenly Father, We come before You to praise your Holy name. We acknowledge our sin and unworthiness, and yet You have loved us with an everlasting love. You sent Your only begotten Son into the world to bear our sin and redeem us from death. Grant that we may always believe this, and believing have life in Jesus' name. By the power of Your Holy Spirit grant us grace that we also may love one another as You have loved us, and thereby show forth the glory of Your salvation to the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p.5 (242:1-3)

HYMNS: 279; 324:1-6; 652; 777

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 2 Corinthians 7:6-10

God comforts the downcast. He comforts us in the discouraging times of life through our brothers and sisters in Christ. God also uses our fellow believers to lead us to repentance. We are to lead others to recognize the sin in their lives, and as is necessary the sorrow that comes with repentance. This needs to be a godly sorrow, (not sorry that we got caught or despairing of God's forgiveness, but rather sorrow that we have let down our Lord and Savior. This sorrow leads to repentance that includes trusting the Lord for forgiveness and life, the comfort of the gospel.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 7:36-50

Jesus is not offended by the sinner coming to Him with sorrow over sin and gratitude for forgiveness. Jesus receives those repentant sinners the world may shun. Come to Jesus confessing your sin. Come to Jesus in deep humility and show Him the depth of your love, for He has forgiven all your transgressions.

THE SERMON: Jeremiah 17:5-10

Theme: Surviving the Deceitfulness of Man's Heart

- I. Realizing the Threat of the Deceit of the Heart of Man
- II. Trusting the Integrity of God

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday School and Bible Class follow the service.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Sunday School and Bible Class will follow the service. Sermon text: 2 Thessalonians 3:5-12.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 11: Church Council follows service. No Bible class.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 18: Quarterly Voters' Meeting follows Bible class and pot luck lunch at 12:30.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 25: Mission Festival. A potluck will follow after a missions discussion.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

June 23-26, 2016: CLC Convention in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Convention is scheduled for a Thursday – Sunday so that lay delegates need take fewer days off work in order to attend.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Preston Johnson, Ken Nickson, Arnie Ottjes, Phil Egtvedt

Cleaning: Eichstadt

Church Mowing for September: Leon Hellickson
(volunteer need for October)

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: September 20 Worship – 32 Sunday school - 4

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| Weekly Offerings Needed | \$ 1,142.00 | Other Offerings: |
| Offerings Received | \$ 919.00 | Property Improv. Fund \$100.00 |
| Needed for Year: | \$44,338.00 | |
| Received for Year: | \$33,037.00 | |

HYMN 242:1-3

“Father of heav’n, whose love profound
A ransom for our souls hath found,
Before Thy throne we sinners bend;
To us Thy pardoning love extend.

“Almighty Son, Incarnate Word,
Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,
Before Thy throne we sinners bend,
To us Thy saving grace extend.

“Eternal Spirit, by whose breath
The soul is raised from sin and death,
Before Thy throne we sinners bend
To us Thy quick’ning pow’r extend.