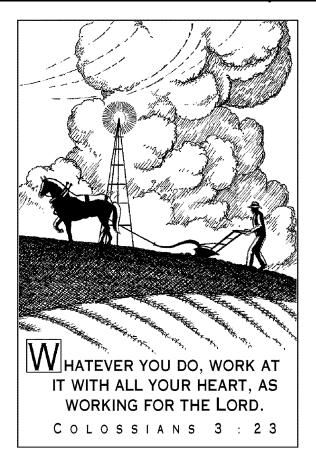
Church Office:



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, 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 (244:1-3)

HYMNS: 7; 408; 416; 644

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: 1 Kings 19:16-18

Elijah was faithful in fulfilling his duties, but he became discouraged and tired. He was ready to give up, and have the Lord end his earthly sojourn and take him to heaven. He was convinced that no one cared for God's truth anyway. He was actually forgetting the faithfulness of God and failing to recognize God's power in this world. The Lord's power isn't in the great and powerful things we observe in nature or the loud things we hear, but rather in the still small voice of His Word. With the power of His Word He sends us on our way to fulfill our God-given role in life.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 12:1-13

Jesus is Lord. He rules and directs His children according to His love and grace. He provides for our every need. He would not have us hold back from doing good but always do good using the gifts and abilities He has given to His glory and the benefit of our fellow man.

THE SERMON: 2 Thessalonians 3:5-13

Theme: Owning Jesus' Work Ethic

- I. Applying the Power of the Gospel to Work
- II. Work as a Christian Tradition

October 4, 2015 19th Sunday Pentecost
III. Using our Gifts and Abilities to Christ's Glory

THE SERMON TEXT: 2 Thessalonians 3:5-13

Now may the Lord direct your hearts into the love of God and into the patience of Christ.

⁶ But we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw from every brother who walks disorderly and not according to the tradition which he received from us. ⁷ For you yourselves know how you ought to follow us, for we were not disorderly among you; ⁸ nor did we eat anyone's bread free of charge, but worked with labor and toil night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you, ⁹ not because we do not have authority, but to make ourselves an example of how you should follow us.

¹⁰ For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat. ¹¹ For we hear that there are some who walk among you in a disorderly manner, not working at all, but are busybodies. ¹² Now those who are such we command and exhort through our Lord Jesus Christ that they work in quietness and eat their own bread. ¹³ But *as for* you, brethren, do not grow weary *in* doing good.

(NKJV)

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday School and Bible Class follow the service.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u> Worship at 9:30. Sunday School and Church Council will follow the service. Sermon text: Luke 19:1-5.

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

<u>SUNDAY OCTOBER 25</u>: Mission Festival. A potluck will follow after a missions discussion.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

<u>June 23-26, 2016</u>: 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 October: volunteer needed

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: September 27 Worship – 28 Sunday school - 4

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,142.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$ 341.00	Property Improv. Fund \$100.00
Needed for Year:	\$45,480.00	
Received for Year:	\$33,378.00	

HYMN 244:1-3 Glory Be to God the Father

Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit: Great Jehovah, Three in One! Glory, glory, while eternal ages run.

Glory be to Him who loved us,
Washed us from each spot and stain;
Glory be to Him who bo't us,
Made us kings with Him to reign!
Glory, glory, to the Lamb that once was slain!

Glory to the King of angels, Glory to the Church's King, Glory to the King of nations; Heav'n and earth, your praises bring! Glory, glory, To the King of Glory sing!