

Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy ground.

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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<u>PRAYER:</u> Oh Lord, who has caused all Holy Scripture to be written for our edification, grant us Your Holy Spirit that He might open our hearts to reverently hear Your Word, and hearing that we may be brought to a fuller knowledge of your glory revealed in our salvation in Jesus Christ. Grant that, having fed our souls upon the Bread of life, we may be invigorated to live our lives to the glory of our Savior's name. It is in His name alone that we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (238:3-5)

HYMNS: 364; 360; 428; 399:2-3

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 3:1-6

The Lord revealed His glory to Moses in the burning bush, calling for Moses to be fully observant of that glory and acknowledge it in his reaction. He was not to draw too close to the presentation of the Lord's glory, He was to remove his sandals in reverence for the place was holy ground. Moses was before the LORD, the God of his fathers, the eternal God. So the Lord reveals His glory to us in Christ Jesus. It is proper for us to be reverent and respond in humility in coming before the Lord recognizing that the eternal God in His grace reveals Himself to us in love.

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 1:3-21

"Rest your hope fully upon the grace that is brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ." By God's grace we have been born again to a living hope through Jesus' resurrection. As we struggle with the trials of this life we know the joy and hope of believing, for we shall receive eternal salvation. Let us live according to the knowledge that we were redeemed by the precious blood of Christ, whom God has glorified. Jesus' glory has been revealed to us in the gospel so that our faith and hope are in God!

THE SERMON: Luke 7:1-10

Theme: The Centurion Demonstrates How Faith Comprehends the Glory of Christ

- I. Faith turns to Jesus in time of Need
- II. Faith Trusts Jesus Power and Authority

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Church Council will follow the service.

<u>WEDNESDAY</u>: Ladies Aid at 7:00 p.m. at the church. Deb Berg is scheduled to serve.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u> Worship at 9:30 with Sunday school and Bible class following the service. A Pot luck meal will follow after Bible class. The annual voter's meeting is scheduled to begin at 12:30 p.m. Sermon text: 2 Peter 1:3-11.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

February 10: Ash Wednesday. Midweek Lenten meditations begin.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Randy Berg, Luke Berg, Melvin Eichstadt, Leon Hellickson

Cleaning: Larson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: January 17 Worship – 13; Bible class - 11 Sunday school - 0

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,142.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$ 407.00	Memorial: Pastor Arvid
Needed for Year:	\$ 3,426.00	Gullerud -Mission Dvlp. \$25.00
Received for Year:	\$ 1,966.00	

CLC NEWS: The Rev. Wayne Eichstadt, co-pastor at Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has accepted the call to Gethsemane Lutheran, Spokane Valley, WA. Pastor John Johannes of Detroit Lakes MN, has received the call to serve as pastor of Mt. Zion Lutheran Church in Detroit, MI.

Nominations for ILC Professor: Nominations for ILC Professor: The Board of Regents announces the following nominations to fill the professorship vacated by the impending retirement of Professor John Pfeiffer at the end of the 2015-16 academic year: **Dwight** (Frank) Gantt, Paul Naumann, David Reim, Peter Reim, Michael Roehl, David Schaller, Stephen Sydow, Paul Teifel II, Matthew Ude, and Mark Weis. The individual would teach at the high school (potentially), college, and seminary levels with an

emphasis on courses in Hebrew (college) and Old Testament theology (seminary), and also in other theological disciplines. Other assignments will be determined upon mutual agreement in accordance with need and corresponding ability. All comments from members of CLC congregations regarding these candidates are to be submitted no later than February 12, 2016, to: Mr. Craig Ryan; 499 Country Lane; Fulda, MN 56131; E-Mail: cryan@page1printers.com.

Nominations for ILC President: The Board of Regents announces the following nominations for the office of President of Immanuel Lutheran College: Jeffrey Schierenbeck, Steven Sippert, Paul Sullivan, and John Ude. The term of this call is for two years, extending to the end of Academic Year 2018. All comments from members of CLC congregations regarding these candidates are to be submitted no later than February 12, 2016, to: Mr. Craig Ryan; 499 Country Lane; Fulda, MN 56131; E-Mail: cryan@page1printers.com.

Hymn 238:3-5

- 3. "Lord God, our King on heaven's throne Our Father, the Almighty One.
 O Lord, the Sole-begotten One,
 Lord Jesus Christ, the Father's Son,
 True God from all eternity,
 O Lamb of God, to Thee we flee.
- 4. "Thou dost the world's sin take away; Have mercy on us, Lord, we pray. Thou dost the world's sin take away; Give ear unto the prayer we say. Thou sitt'st at God's right hand for aye; Have mercy on us, Lord we pray.
- 5. "Thou only art the Holy One; Thou only o'er all things Lord alone. O Jesus Christ, we glorify Thee only as the Lord Most High; Thou art, the Holy Ghost with Thee,

One in the Father's majesty.