

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> 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 hear Your Word that we may be brought to a fuller knowledge of your glory revealed in Jesus Christ. Grant 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 (244:1-3)

HYMNS: 239; 719; 135; 644

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 25:1-9

Isaiah leads us in a song of praise over the wonders of salvation that are ours in Christ. The Lord is victorious over all earthly powers. Starting in Jerusalem the Lord will prepare a feast of salvation for peoples of all the earth. Even death shall be vanquished. We wait for the salvation of the Lord! Praise His glorious name!

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 2 Peter 1:16-21

The gospel of Christ is not a cunningly devised story intended to fool people. He revealed His glory in His transfiguration and the Scriptures were confirmed to be genuine and true by this event.

THE SERMON: Matthew 17:1-9

Theme: Jesus' Transfiguration: A Special Revelation of Glory Connected to Christ.

- I. A Glimpse of the Glory Yet to Be Seen
- II. The Father's Divine Endorsement
- III. Faith's Response

INSTALLATION OF CONGREGATION OFFICERS

In the regular fall quarterly meeting of St. Paul's Lutheran Church the following have been elected to serve the congregation. Today they willingly give their pledge to serve the Lord and this congregation as the Lord gives them strength. Randy Berg - Chairman; Norman Schwartz – Vice chairman; Joe Ubl – Secretary; Ken Nickson – Treasurer; Luke Berg – Chairman Board of Building and Grounds; Leon Hellickson, Joe Ubl, Melvin Eichstadt – elders.

CALENDAR

<u>TODAY</u>: Sunday school and Bible Class will follow the service.

<u>WEDNESDAY</u>: Ash Wednesday. Midweek Lenten meditations begin. Soup and sandwich supper begins at 6:00 p.m. (The signup sheet for volunteers for meal preparation can be found on the narthex table.) Lenten meditation begins at 7:00p.m. The theme for this year's meditations is: Object Lessons from the Lord's Passion. Our first meditation will be called: The coins and the dice: A Lesson on Covetousness. Text Luke 12:15.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u> Worship at 9:30 with Sunday school and Bible class following the service. We will also be having a Lenten series for our Sunday sermons. This series is entitled "And Jesus said!" the first meditation will be on "My Soul Is Deeply Grieved." Sermon text: Mark 14:34.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

<u>Ushers:</u> Preston Johnson, Ken Nickson, Arnie Ottjes, Joe Ubl

<u>Cleaning:</u> Nelson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: January 31 Worship – 32; Bible class 13 Sunday school - 6

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$1,155.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$1,261.00	
Needed for Year:	\$5,775.00	
Received for Year:	\$4,118.00	

<u>Organist gratuity</u>: During the past year three different individuals served us by enhancing our worship with their musical abilities. They receive no compensation from the congregation for their hours of practice and serving us in this way. For the next three weeks a designated basket will be placed in the narthex for us to gather a gratuity to express our appreciation for their dedicated service.

<u>CLC NEWS</u>: Gethsemane Lutheran, Spokane Valley, WA, has called Nathan Wales of Holy Trinity Lutheran, West Columbia, SC, to be principal and teacher.

Midwest Woman's Retreat - Immanuel Mankato is again hosting its annual Woman's Retreat on April 8-10, 2016 in Winona, MN. The deadline to register and reserve a room is March 8, 2016. This year's theme is: "Hush, My dearest child, do not worry!" A poster with retreat information can be found on the bulletin board. You can also find out more information and register for the retreat online: www.ladiesretreat.clclutheran.net. If you have any questions please speak to your pastor.

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. 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 244:1-3 Father of Glory, to Thy Name

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!