

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. ² Corinthians 13:13

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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Affiliated with CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION stpaulclcaustin.wordpress.com www.CLClutheran.org www.ilc.edu/home.htm <u>PRAYER:</u> Blessed Lord, who has caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we might reverently hear them, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of Your Holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, through whose name alone we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (248:1-3)

HYMNS: 541; 23; 243; 644

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 6:1-8

Isaiah was granted a powerful vision presenting to Him the holy glory of the Triune God. Immediately Isaiah was convicted by his own sin and even by sinfulness of his countrymen. However the Lord came to Isaiah with the purifying power of the gospel and so also prepared Isaiah to be His messenger to others. May we also apprehend by faith the purifying power of the sacrifice made for us upon the altar of the cross and realize that by God's grace this sacrifice has cleansed us of our sin, and so we also have been prepared to be messengers of His grace to others.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew28:18-20

Jesus' commission issued first to the disciples also commissions us to make disciples among all the people of this world. All people need to know that there is only one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. He alone is the God of salvation from sin and death. We bring this grace to all nations also in the gracious water of baptism, washing away our sins.

THE SERMON: 1 Peter 1:1-9

Theme: The Triune God – The God of our Salvation

- I. God the Father Elected Us
- II. God the Son Shed His Blood for Us
- III. God the Holy Spirit Sanctified Us

CALENDAR

<u>TODAY</u>: Sunday and school and Bible Class follow the service. Church Council needs to meet briefly after the service regarding HVAC in the parsonage.

WEDNESDAY: Ladies Aid at 7:00 p.m. Jean Hellickson is hostess.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u> - Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and Bible Class enter summer recess. Sermon text: Acts 2:42-47.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesdays June 15, 22, 29. VBS from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

<u>Sunday June 5th</u> Minnesota delegate conference is scheduled to begin at 3:00 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Mankato.

<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

<u>Organist:</u> Denise Barthels <u>Ushers:</u> Andy Ball, Joe Ubl, Phil Egtvedt, Leon Hellickson <u>Cleaning:</u> Barthels

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL: Attendance: May 15 Worship – 31; Sunday School – 5

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,155.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$ 1245.00	
Needed for Year:	\$23,100.00	
Received for Year:	\$19,319.00	

<u>CLC NEWS</u>: The Rev. David Pfeiffer, pastor of Ascension Lutheran, Batavia IL, has accepted the call to Holy Trinity Lutheran, West Columbia SC. <> Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has called graduate Joseph Naumann as associate pastor. **ILC Student Aid Fund (SAF)**: Currently the SAF has an unexpected negative balance due to very low investment earnings this year. We are anticipating a negative \$15,000 balance at the end of this academic year, unless offerings to the SAF help resolve this. The SAF is the fund that supports Immanuel students through loans, grants, and scholarships. Please consider this in your offerings to support the Lord's work.

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