



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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PRAYER: 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. 22 Worship Supplement

HYMNS: 14; 364; 27; 644

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 15:1-6

God's words to Abram bring us great comfort, "I am your shield and your exceedingly great reward." We need not look to this world for its blessing. The Lord is the One who will bless us with blessings unimaginable in wonder and grace. The Lord also calls us to believe His words of promise, and then counts that faith as righteousness!

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 9:9-13

Matthew was among the most despised of the people of the Jews, for he was a tax collector for Rome. He was very likely a cheat and a thief. Yet Jesus loved Matthew and called him to be His disciple. Jesus has come to heal the sin sick soul. Jesus has come to call sinners to repentance.

THE SERMON: Acts 3:1-10

Theme: The Healing Power of Jesus' Name

- I. The Crippling Power of Sin
- II. Providing the Needed Deliverance
- III. The Wonder of Salvation in Jesus' Name

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday and school and Bible Class are in summer recess. Minnesota delegate conference is scheduled to begin at 3:00 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Mankato. Joe Ubl is serving as our only delegate.

NEXT SUNDAY: - Worship at 9:30. Sermon text: Acts 4:1-12.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesdays June 15, 22, 29. VBS from 6:00-8:00 p.m.

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: Erica Barthels

Ushers: Melvin Eichstadt, Randy Berg, Luke Berg, Preston Johnson

Cleaning: Barthels

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: May 29 Worship – 21;

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,155.00	Other Offerings:	
Offerings Received	\$ 761.00	ILC Student Aid Fund	\$5.00
Needed for Year:	\$25,410.00	Prop. Imprv. Fund	\$100.00
Received for Year:	\$20,581.00		

REPORT ON SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING: Last Sunday the voter's met to consider what action to take regarding the parsonage air conditioning which can no longer be serviced. The voter's unanimously decided to proceed with the installation of a new furnace and air conditioning unit. Initial cash out lay will be \$6826. (\$800 in rebates from Austin Utilities and \$200 from Carrier will help reduce the cost) The initial cost is \$2000 more than the current balance in the Property Improvement Fund. The balance will be borrowed from the memorial fund. **There is a need for considerable contributions to the Property Improvement Fund.**

CLC NEWS: Rock of Ages Lutheran, Grand Rapids MI, has called the Rev. George Dummann, pastor of Salem Lutheran, Eagle Lake MN. <> Jeff Karnitz, teacher at St. Stephen Lutheran school, Mountain View CA, has accepted the call to Gethsemane Lutheran school, Spokane Valley WA. <> Graduate Andrew Roehl has accepted the call to Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI, teaching in the lower grades. <> Graduate Joseph Naumann has returned the call to Mt. Zion Lutheran, Madison Heights MI. He has accepted the call to become associate pastor at Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN. <> Faith Lutheran, Markesan WI, has called the Rev. Nathanael Mayhew, pastor of Grace Lutheran, Sleepy Eye and Faith Lutheran, New Ulm MN. <> Ascension Lutheran, Batavia IL, has called the Rev. Matthew Ude, former foreign missionary.

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Professorage Update: The Immanuel Professorage Committee (IPC) has been doing a lot of planning for projects that will upgrade the professorage that Professor elect Paul Naumann will be moving into this summer. We are looking for volunteer help immediately before or after Convention, or anytime in June and early July convenient for you (in teams or individuals). In particular, the time after Convention (ends June 26) will be the most crucial and helpful. Projects include: installing new windows & siding, installing new carpeting/flooring, updating kitchen, painting inside, and fencing in the back yard. Those who are able to help with any of these projects or would like more details, please contact Pastor Paul Tiefel ([715-829-2000](tel:715-829-2000)/ tiefels@hotmail.com).