



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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PRESERVICE 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. 5 (238:3-5)

HYMNS: 234; 376; 465; 50:2

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: 1 Samuel 7:5-12

The Philistines, a coastal people to Israel's southwest, were persistent enemies that struck fear in the hearts of the people of Israel. Samuel cried out to the Lord and the Lord intervened on their behalf causing confusion among the Philistines, allowing Israel to defeat them. Samuel set up a rock as a memorial he named Ebenezer which means Stone of Help, so that Israel might remember that it was the Lord who had helped them. So the Lord is also our Rock of Help in our every need

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Acts 17:15-34

When Paul arrived in Athens he saw how the city was given over to idols. He boldly testified to the truth of Jesus Christ, but when Paul spoke of the resurrection he was mocked, however some believed. We also live in a world with many false gods that is willing to mock the truth even as false superstitions are embraced. Let us remain steadfast, for the Holy Spirit works and will call some to faith.

THE SERMON: Mathew 16:13-20

Theme: The Truth about Christ: The Rock of Our Salvation

- I. Not Human Speculation
- II. The Truth Revealed to Us by God
- III. The Rock Solid Truth

CALENDAR

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Sermon text: Acts 19:23-40.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Andy Ball, Luke Berg, Leon Hellickson, Melvin Eichstadt

Cleaning: Ubl; Lawn Mowing: Katie Barthels

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: July 31 Worship – 16

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,155.00	Other Offerings:	
Offerings Received	\$ 755.00	ILC Student Aid	\$25.00
Needed for Year:	\$35,805.00	Property Improv. Fund	\$25.00
Received for Year:	\$27,775.98		

Memorials: **Luella Gilbertson**: Property Improv. Fund - \$25.00 Property Improv. Fund - \$10.00 ILC Student Aid - \$30.00.

CLC NEWS: The Rev. Ed Starkey, pastor of Resurrection Lutheran, Corpus Christi TX, has returned the call to Rock of Ages Lutheran, Grand Rapids MI. <> Pastor Earnest Bernet has resigned from the pastorate of Zion Lutheran, Atlanta, GA. He and his family are moving back to Mineral Springs, TX.

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."