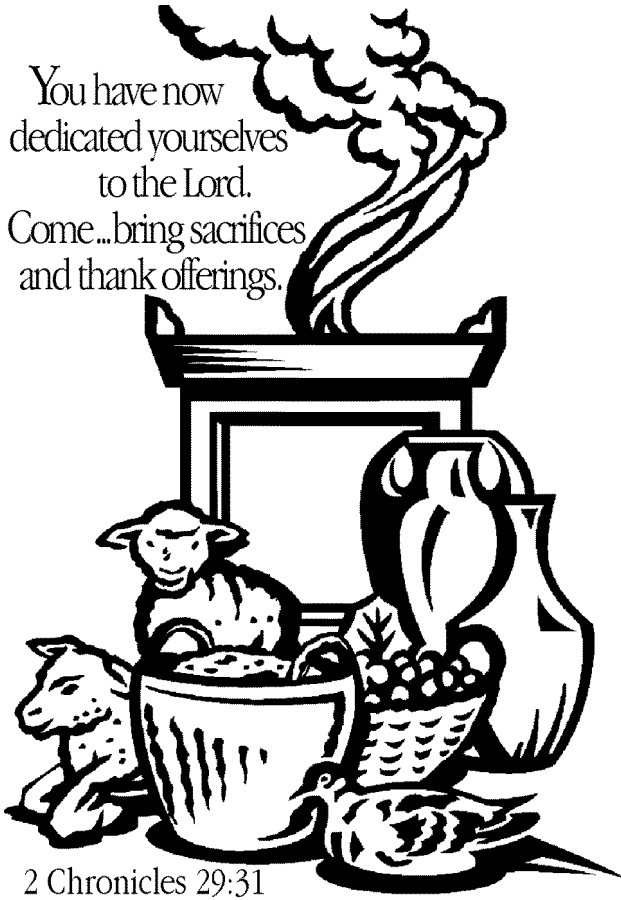


You have now
dedicated yourselves
to the Lord.
Come...bring sacrifices
and thank offerings.



2 Chronicles 29:31

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: Oh God, You declare in Your Word that You do not want to see the sinner die, but that he turn from his sinful way and live. To this end You sent Your Son, Jesus Christ, to suffer and die for our sins, and You have called us to repentance and faith in His name. As I come to Your Table to receive Jesus' body and blood, the sacrifice offered for my sins, I ask that Your Spirit would strengthen my faith, and that I might grow in Your grace and power and that the new man might arise and lead me to live to the glory of Your holy name. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 30:15-19

The Lord offers security and peace simply by trusting in Him and putting our confidence in the Lord. Israel wanted to flee, to find safety elsewhere, to put confidence in the things of this world, fast horses, powerful armies. But the Lord declares in such false trust one will only be more insecure and more easily frightened. Those who wait upon the Lord shall be blessed. He is very gracious when we cry out to Him. He hears our prayers and will answer!

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 12:15-21

“Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of things he possesses!” We need to be rich toward God, and remain focused on things spiritual rather than material. Believing we are secure because we have much wealth, (and we all have considerable wealth when compared with most of the rest of the world) is shortsighted and foolish. Let us trust in the Lord and live to His glory, and use our wealth to honor His name.

THE SERMON: 2 Corinthians 8:1-12

Theme: The Grace of Liberal Giving

- I. Giving beyond One's Ability
- II. Giving with Love in One's Heart
- III. Giving in Response to God's Grace in Christ.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

The first time Martin Luther celebrated the Lord's Supper, he trembled so greatly at the thought of holding the literal body and blood of Christ with his own hands, and receiving it into his own body, that he fled from the altar in terror. While we do not recommend that you do so, we do think that Luther was correct to receive it so thoughtfully, and only after much preparation. If you are a guest today and have never communed with us before, please talk with the pastor to find out how you can properly prepare for the sacrament.

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible Class follow after the service.

SATURDAY: Fall Cleanup for church and grounds beginning at 9:00 ending at noon. (See below for additional information.)

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Sunday School and Bible Class are scheduled to follow the service. **A pot luck meal will follow after Bible class and the quarterly voter's meeting is scheduled to begin at 12:30.** Sermon text: Luke 10:17-22.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, October 30: Joint Reformation Service at Berea Lutheran Church in Inver Gove Heights.

Sunday November 6: **Mission Festival Sunday** the Rev. Dan Fleischer has accepted our invitation to serve as guest speaker.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Randy Berg, Andy Ball, Luke Berg, Joe Ubl

Cleaning: Nelson; Lawn Mowing: Mike Nelson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: October 9 Worship – 35 Sunday school – 2; No Bible Class

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,155.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$1,246.00	
Needed for Year:	\$47,355.00	
Received for Year:	\$35,990.98	

CLC NEWS: Pastor David Baker of Red Wing, MN has received the call to Rock of Ages Lutheran Church of Grand Rapids, MI

Immanuel Lutheran Musical: The fall musical for Immanuel Lutheran, “She Loves Me,” will be performed both on November 11 and 12, 7:30 pm, at the campus fieldhouse. A band concert will precede it Friday night at 7 pm and a variety of student musical performances on Saturday night at 7 pm. The movies “Shop Around the Corner” or “You’ve Got Mail,” were based on the same play, “She Loves Me,” also having the same plot-line.

FALL CLEANUP DAY: There is a great deal to get done. Indoor cleaning will be determined by the Ladies Aid.

Other jobs include:

Exterior windows washing

(especially in fellowship hall and classrooms.)

Power washing of the north wall on church and shed.

Edging of the sidewalk,

Shrub trimming.

Shrub removal by from church entrance

Railing or post by parsonage front door.

Other general cleanup of yard.

This is more work than a few older gentlemen can manage. We need some young men to shoulder responsibility.