



“COME, FOLLOW ME,”

JESUS SAID,

“AND I WILL MAKE
YOU FISHERS OF MEN.”

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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: Heavenly Father, in your grace and love for a fallen mankind You have caused the light of the glory of God to be revealed in the face of Jesus Christ. We pray that You would send your Holy Spirit into our midst, that as we hear Your holy Word we may comprehend the glory of Jesus so that the light of the gospel might shine in our hearts, dispelling the darkness of sin and death and granting us the hope of everlasting life, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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

HYMNS: 398; 421; 408; 399:3

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 22:22,27-28,30-31)

I will declare Your name to My brethren;

In the midst of the assembly I will praise You.

All the ends of the world

Shall remember and turn to the Lord,

And all the families of the nations

Shall worship before You.

²⁸For the kingdom *is* the Lord's,

And He rules over the nations.

A posterity shall serve Him.

It will be recounted of the Lord to the *next* generation,

³¹They will come and declare His righteousness to a people who will be born,

That He has done *this*.

Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 9:1-4

Isaiah prophesied that the Savior would go to the land of the tribes of Zebulun and Naphtali, the land of Galilee where gentiles lived. The purpose of this move by the Savior was to bring the joy of salvation and the liberty from oppression to Jew and Gentile alike.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 4:12-23

Calling disciples Jesus continued to shine the light of the glory of God not only on people of Jewish descent, but also in this region known for its many Gentiles. These disciples were to be instructed and prepared by Jesus that they might become “fishers of men” who would spread the light of Christ to many people of the world. Jesus proceeded in His ministry teaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing many people, revealing His glory as the Son of God.

THE SERMON: 1 Corinthians 1:10-17

Theme: Glorifying Christ in Our Church Life

- I. Glorifying Christ with Sound Doctrine
- II. Avoid Dimming the Light of Christ’s Glory
- III. Being True to Our Calling

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

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible Class follow the service. A pot luck lunch will follow after Bible class at about 11:30. The annual voters’ meeting is scheduled to begin at 12:30. *Please take note of the proposed amendment to the bylaws that is on the agenda lowering the church council quorum from 5 to 4.*

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and Bible class follow the service. *Sermon text: Matthew 5:1-12.*

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Randy Berg, Luke Berg, Melvin Eichstadt, Leon Hellickson

Cleaning: Nelson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: January 22 worship – 18, Sunday school – 1 (No Bible class due to pastor’s cold.)

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,155.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$501.00	
Needed for Year:	\$4,620.00	
Received for Year:	\$3,256.00	

ORGANIST GIFT OFFERING: It is customary for the congregation to gather a gift for those who have served the congregation as organist during the past year. There is a basket set out by the mailbox table for this purpose. Gift collection ends **today**.

CLC NEWS: The Rev. Rob Sauers, pastor of Bethel Lutheran, Morris MN, has returned the call to Mt. Zion, Madison Heights MI. <> The Rev. Neal Radichel, pastor of Luther Memorial, Fond du Lac WI, has returned the call to the Tri-parish of Grace Lutheran, Valentine NE, Peace Lutheran, Mission SD, and St. Paul’s Lutheran, White River SD, which have now called the Rev. Paul D. Nolting, pastor of Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN.

Hymn 248:1-3 Father of Glory, to Thy Name

Father of glory, to Thy name
Immortal praise we give
Who dost an act of grace proclaim
And bid us rebels live.

Immortal honor to the Son,
Who makes Thine anger cease;
Our lives He ransomed with His own
And died to make our peace

To Thine almighty Spirit be
Immortal glory giv’n,
Whose teachings bring us near to Thee
And train us up for heav’n.