

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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Worship Services broadcast on Austin Cable Channel 181, M & W, 7:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Affiliated with CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION stpaulclcaustin.wordpress.com www.CLClutheran.org www.ilc.edu/home.htm <u>PRAYER</u>: Heavenly Father, we thank and praise You for the salvation which You have provided to a fallen world by sending your Son to suffer and die for us upon the cross. We rejoice in Your grace in raising Jesus from the dead. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that our faith in Christ as our Risen Lord may strengthen us to rise to newness of life, and to the glory our Lord in eternal life. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (242:1-3)

HYMNS: 341; 53; 196; 50:1,2

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 133) Behold, how good and how pleasant *it is* **For brethren to dwell together in unity** *It is* like the precious oil upon the head, Running down on the beard, The beard of Aaron, **Running down on the edge of his garments.** *It is* like the dew of Hermon, **Descending upon the mountains of Zion;** For there the Lord commanded the blessing— **Life forevermore**. *Glory be to the Father...*

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Acts 2:14a, 36-47

Jesus' resurrection declares that God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ! This is a powerful message that changes hearts and lives. The message of a crucified and resurrected Lord brings faith in God by the working of the Holy Spirit through gospel in Word and sacrament. It then also changes lives so that those who believe are first filled with joy, and then live in the love of Christ toward God and our neighbor. Such faith filled hearts are eager to gather with other believers around Word and sacrament.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 24:13-35

The two disciples walking the road to Emmaus were distressed by Jesus' death. However Jesus did not simply show Himself alive. He

opened the Scriptures to them so they would understand all that was necessary for their salvation was found in a crucified and risen Savior. They immediately returned to Jerusalem to share their joy of knowing a living Savior!

THE SERMON: 1 Peter 1:17-21

Theme: Raised with Christ to Joy-filled Sanctified Living

- I. Conducting our Lives with Reverent Awe
- II. Possessing Faith in God Only through a Risen Savior

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible Class follow the service.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>: Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and Bible Class. *Sermon text: John 10:1-10*.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, May 20: Spring Cleanup day from 9:00-noon.

Sunday, June 4: Minnesota Delegate Conference Faith, New Ulm, MN.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

<u>Ushers:</u> Preston Johnson, Melvin Eichstadt, Ken Nickson, Arnie Ottjes. <u>Cleaning:</u> Nelson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: April 23 worship - 14, Bible Class - 10 Sunday school - 0

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,207.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$745.00	Memorial: Samantha Barthels
Needed for Year:	\$20,519.00	Prop. Imprv. Fund \$50.00
Received for Year:	\$16,541.00	

<u>CLC NEWS</u>: Grace Lutheran, Sleepy Eye MN, has called Mr. Karl Olmanson, Kasota MN, as teacher and principal for its new school. <> The CLC Board of Missions has called the Rev. John Hein, pastor of Grace Lutheran, Fridley MN, to be the part-time missionary to Liberia. <> St. Stephen Lutheran, Mountain View CA, has called teacher Paul Tiefel III, Messiah Lutheran, Eau Claire WI, to be teacher and principal at its school. <> Claire Abbas has accepted the call to Gethsemane Lutheran School, Spokane Valley WA. <> The Call Committee for Graduates has extended the following calls to Seminary graduates: Samuel Rodebaugh, Immanuel Lutheran, Winter Haven FL; Stefan Sonnenfeld, Faith Lutheran, Manchester MO; Thomas Naumann, Mt. Zion Lutheran, Madison Heights, MI.

<u>Arise and Shine 20's - 30's Retreat</u> – Holy Cross Lutheran Church of Phoenix, AZ is once again sponsoring a four-day retreat in **Pillager**, **MN**, **June 15–18 (Thurs. - Sun.).** The retreat is designed for men and women in their 20s & 30s. Singles, couples, and families are welcome. The registration fee includes a t-shirt (if registered by June 1st, 2017), lodging, meals and snacks, and activities. This year's theme is "Jars of Clay". based on the 2 Corinthians 4:7 "*But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.*" The cost is **\$140.00 per adult** (ages 12 and up), **\$100 per child** (ages 0-11)Find more information or register on our web site:

<u>www. AriseAndShineRetreat.com</u>. For more info, please contact :Sam Rodebaugh (414) 534-7279 <u>sam.rodebaugh@gmail.com</u> -or-Josh Ohlmann (314) 874-9184 <u>joshohlmann@swbell.net</u>.

DEVOTIONAL BOOK -- Pastor Mark Weis of Grace Lutheran Church (CLC), Cape Coral, Florida, has published an excellent new devotional book, "*One Thing Needful: For All the Distractions, Stresses and Worries of Life.*" It is available for \$3.99 as an e-book on Amazon, and can be read on any computer, tablet or cell phone with the free Kindle Reader. If you go to Amazon.com and search "Weis" and "Needful," you will easily find the book.

HYMN 242 "Father of Heav'n, Whose Love Profound

"Father of heav'n, whose love profound A ransom for our souls hath found, Before Thy throne we sinners bend; To us Thy pardoning love extend.

"Almighty Son, Incarnate Word, Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord, Before Thy throne we sinners bend, To us Thy saving grace extend.

"Eternal Spirit, by whose breath The soul is raised from sin and death, Before Thy throne we sinners bend To us Thy quick'ning pow'r extend."