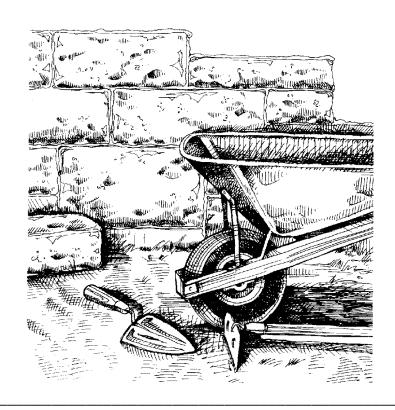
... and like living stones be yourselves built into a spiritual house ...

1 Peter 2:5



St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:30 a.m.

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<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 (248:1-3)

HYMNS: 20; 355; 759; 50:2

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 149:1, Psalm 30:1-5)

Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song,

And His praise in the assembly of saints.

I will extol You, O Lord, for You have lifted me up,

And have not let my foes rejoice over me.

Lord my God, I cried out to You,

And You healed me.

O Lord, You brought my soul up from the grave;

You have kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.

Sing praise to the Lord, you saints of His,

And give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name.

For His anger is but for a moment,

His favor is for life;

Weeping may endure for a night,

But joy comes in the morning.

Glory be to the Father...

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Peter 2:4-10

Jesus, our living Savior has become the Cornerstone of the Church. In faith we are built into His Church as living stones. Others, even those to whom the Word of God was entrusted, have found Jesus our crucified and risen Lord to be a stone of stumbling. We are a chosen generation who have been called out of the darkness of unbelief into His marvelous light. By the grace of God the Holy Spirit we have obtained mercy and are now the people of God.

THE GOSPEL LESSN: John 14:1-12

"Let not your hearts be troubled." These words of Jesus direct us to put our trust in Him. In the face of any and all the troubles we may face in this world we shall put our trust in Him who has gone to the cross and the grave and rose again, all to prepare a place for us that we might be with Him in heaven. He alone is the way, the truth and the life, through whom we have come to the Father.

THE SERMON: Acts 17:1-12

Theme: Spreading the Good News of Living Savior

I. The Scriptures Reveal Jesus as the Christ

II. The World Takes Offense to this Truth

III. The Scriptures Prevail for the Salvation of Souls

CALENDAR

<u>TODAY</u>: Sunday school and Bible Class follow the service.

<u>SATURDAY</u>: Spring Cleanup day from 9:00-noon.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u> Worship with Holy Communion at 9:30. Sunday school and Church Council will follow the service. *Sermon text: 1 Peter 3:15-22.*

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

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

June 13-15: CLC General Pastoral Conference in Eau Claire, WI.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

<u>Ushers:</u> Andy Ball Joe Ubl Phil Egtvedt Leon Hellickson. <u>Cleaning:</u> (Church cleaning month, no one family assigned)

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: May 7 worship – 18, Bible Class – 11 Sunday school - 0

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,207.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$1091.00	Memorials: Lincoln Cole,
Needed for Year:	\$22,933.00	Prop Imprv. Fund \$50.00
Received for Year:	\$18,161.00	

<u>CLC NEWS</u>: Pastor Matthew Hanel, Plano Texas, has declined the call to Immanuel, Mankato.

SPOKESMAN Subscription Renewal: Please look for the sign-up sheet on the "mail box" table in the narthex. Once again The Lutheran Spokesman is being offered at cut rates. Renewals are \$12.00 for the year. New subscriptions are only \$6.00. Consider a gift subscription. Please make payment to St. Paul's. Please be sure to take care of this by June 3.

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 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.