



Then MOSES SAID,

“You have been set apart
from the Lord today.”

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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: 10:45 a.m.

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PRAYER: Heavenly Father, We come before You to praise your Holy name. We acknowledge our sin and unworthiness, and yet You have loved us with an everlasting love. You sent Your only begotten Son into the world to bear our sin and redeem us from death. Grant that we may always believe this, and believing have life in Jesus' name. By the power of Your Holy Spirit grant us grace that we also may love one another as You have loved us, and thereby show forth the glory of Your salvation to the world. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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

HYMNS: 234; 404; 408; 413:5,6

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 118:1, 2-24, 1 NKJV)

Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for *He is* good!

For His mercy endures forever.

The stone *which* the builders rejected

Has become the chief cornerstone.

²³ This was the Lord's doing;

It is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ This *is* the day the Lord has made;

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

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For His mercy endures forever.

Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 5:1-7

The Lord would celebrate the vineyard He had planted when He brought the Israel into the Promised Land and promising to be their Savior God. However, instead of producing proper fruits of faith, (good grapes) they followed in the ways of the wicked nations that inhabited the land before them. They produced bad fruit in persistent sin (wild grapes). Their impenitence would inevitably bring judgment and destruction.

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Philippians 3:12-21

Our citizenship is in heaven. Even though we have not attained that final victory with the Apostle Paul, we press on in our Christian life that we might lay hold of that salvation for which Christ has already laid hold of us through faith. We press on toward the goal of the upward call of God! This is the mindset that is to direct our daily life. Don't get so caught up in this life that we forget our citizenship remains in heaven. That is where our future is. Jesus shall receive us to Himself in glory!

THE SERMON: Matthew 21:33-43

Theme: Knowing One's Place in the Kingdom of God.

- I. Tenants, not Owners
- II. Recognizing Jesus' as the Heir of God's Kingdom
- III. Kingdom of God Graciously Presented to Others

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible Class follow the service. A brief council meeting will be held before Bible class in preparation for next Sunday's voter's meeting.

TUESDAY: Catechism class at 4:15 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and Bible Class follow the service. A pot luck meal will follow after Bible class at 11:30. **Quarterly Voters' meeting** is scheduled to begin at 12:30 p.m. *Sermon text: Hebrews 13:7-9.* **JOINT REFORMATION SERVICE** at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Mankato, beginning at 4:00 p.m. We celebrate the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: October 15 Worship - 25 Sunday school - 3, No Bible Class

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,207.00	Other Offerings:	
Offerings Received	\$890.00	Missions	\$50.00
Needed for Year:	\$50,694.00		
Received for Year:	\$40,213.00		

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

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

October Cleaning – Ubl

October Lawn Mowing: Mike Nelson

CLC NEWS: Pastor David Schaller has returned the call extended to him by Immanuel of Mankato.

500th ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION
GEMS FROM MARTIN LUTHER

(concerning Good Works)

“Such overwhelming riches does God pour out over us in Baptism that He also discards the works by which fools presume to earn heaven and be saved. No, my good man, you must have heaven and already be saved before you can do good works. Works do not merit heaven; but heaven, given out of pure grace, does the good works without any expectation of merit, simply for the benefit of our neighbor and for the glory of God, until the body is also liberated from sin, death, and hell. Therefore the whole life of an orthodox Christian after Baptism is nothing more than a waiting for the manifestation of the salvation he already has.” (What Luther Says; Vol III #4911, Concordia Publishing House)