



**...before me was a great multitude...
from every nation...
standing before the throne.**

Revelation 7:9

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 (242:1-3)

HYMNS: 246; 611; 608; 410

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm NKJV)

Do not enter into judgment with Your servant,

For in Your sight no one living is righteous.

I remember the days of old; I meditate on all Your works;

I muse on the work of Your hands.

⁶I spread out my hands to You;

My soul longs for You like a thirsty land.

Teach me to do Your will,

For You *are* my God; Your Spirit *is* good.

Lead me in the land of uprightness.

¹¹Revive me, O Lord, for Your name's sake!

For Your righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

Hear my prayer, O Lord, Give ear to my supplications!

In Your faithfulness answer me,

And in Your righteousness.

²Do not enter into judgment with Your servant,

For in Your sight no one living is righteous.

Glory be to the Father...

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Daniel 7:9-10

In Daniel's vision of the final judgment the glory of the Lord dominates the scene. He is the Almighty and Holy God. The books were opened. The court is seated and all charges will be tried.

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

The coming of the day of the Lord will catch most people by surprise, but we should not be surprised, for we know the coming of the Lord is near, and every day we should be watching and living according to faith and the love Christ. God has not appointed us to wrath but rather to salvation through Jesus who died for us.

THE SERMON: Matthew 25:31-46

Theme: The Final Judgment

- I. The Son of Man Judges the Nations
- II. Jesus’ Judgment Backed by Irrefutable Evidence

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible Class follow the service.

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

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship with Holy Communion at 9:30. Sunday school and Church Council follow the service. *Sermon text: Isaiah 52:1-6.*

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: November 5 Worship - 29 Sunday school - 4, Bible Class - 12

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,207.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$1057.00	Memorial: Lincoln Cole
Needed for Year:	\$54,315.00	Prop. Imprv Fund \$50.00
Received for Year:	\$43,911.00	

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Arnie Ottjes, Melvin Eichstadt, Leon Hellickson, Phil Egtvedt

November Cleaning – Barthels

CALLED TO ETERNAL REST: Eleonore Rhodes, our sister in faith was called by the Lord to her eternal rest on **Sunday evening November 5, 2017**. She had attained the age of 91 years. Elli was an example of a devout Christian life who loved to sing praises to her Lord and so sang in St. Paul’s choir for many years, and sang hymns with her pastor up to her dying day. **On Thursday November 9**, Elli was granted the blessing of Christian burial at Fort Snelling National Cemetery where her earthly remains were

laid to rest beside her husband Roy Rhodes where they await the call to resurrection on the last day. We praise God for Elli's victory over death.

500th ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION
GEMS FROM MARTIN LUTHER

(Concerning Prayer)

“If you do not intend to ask until you know or feel yourself worthy and fit, you must never ask. For, as was said before, our prayer must never be based or depend on our worthiness but on the immovable truth of the divine promise. If it is based on itself or on something else, it is false and deceives you, even though its deep devotion breaks your heart and moves you shed tears of blood. For we ask just because we are not worthy to ask; we become worthy to ask and to be heard just because we believe that we are unworthy; we make bold to ask only because of the faithfulness of God. Be as unworthy as you please, but note and observe with all your heart that a thousand times more (nay, everything) depends on your honoring God’s truth and not turning His faithful promise into a lie by your doubt. For your worthiness does not help you; your unworthiness does not hinder you. But distrust damns you, and confidence makes you worthy and sustains you. Therefore watch as long as you live that you never consider yourself worthy of fit to ask or receive anything.” (What Luther Says; Vol II #3446, Concordia Publishing House)