

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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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>: Blessed Lord, who has caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we might reverently hear them, read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them, that by patience and comfort of Your Holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ, through whose name alone we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (244:1-3)

HYMNS: 361; 367; 604; 50

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 47:1-7 NKJV) Oh, clap your hands, all you peoples! Shout to God with the voice of triumph! ² For the Lord Most High *is* awesome; He is a great King over all the earth. ³He will subdue the peoples under us, And the nations under our feet. ⁴He will choose our inheritance for us, The excellence of Jacob whom He loves. Selah ⁵ God has gone up with a shout, The Lord with the sound of a trumpet. ⁶ Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises! ⁷ For God *is* the King of all the earth; Sing praises with understanding. Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 23-24

Ezekiel ties the picture of our Savior as our Shepherd to that of being the Son of David our King. Jesus as our true shepherd gathers His flock from the nations and brings them to their own land, our heavenly home. He cares for us as a faithful shepherd cares for his flock with tender and loving care. The Lord promises this to be the foundation of our relationship with Him, He will be our God, we shall be His people, and Jesus, the Son of David, shall be Prince among us.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 27:27-31

This isn't the scene we may call to mind when we think of Christ as our King. As the soldiers mocked Jesus they failed to see that He was the Almighty King. Jesus was fulfilling the role of our King even then as He took the curse of the law upon Himself, and was abused and scourged and crucified. He was and is our Champion and Defender against the old evil foe. Jesus won the day and secured our salvation.

THE SERMON: 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Theme: Christ, Reigns with Resurrection Power

I. He Made Resurrection Real

II. All Enemies shall be under His Feet, Including Death.

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible Class follow the service.

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

WEDNESDAY: Ladies Aid at 7:00 p.m. Denise Barthels hostess.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>: Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and Church decorating and then **Christmas fellowship pot luck** follow the service. *Sermon text: Matthew 13:32-37*.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

<u>DECEMBER. 6, 13, 20</u>: Midweek Advent services. Soup and sandwich suppers at 6:00. Advent meditations begin at 7:00. p.m.

<u>DECEMBER 24</u>: Christmas Eve! **No** Sunday morning service. Christmas Eve program is set for 4:00.

DECEMBER 25: Christmas Festival worship at 9:30.

<u>DECEMBER 31</u>: New Year's Eve Day morning worship only beginning at 9:30.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: Nov. 19 Worship - 19 Sunday school - 2, November 23 - 17

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,207.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$760.00	Memorials: Ellie Rhodes
Needed for Year:	\$56,729.00	\$100.00
Received for Year:	\$45,797.00	

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

<u>Ushers:</u> Arnie Ottjes, Melvin Eichstadt, Leon Hellickson, Phil Egtvedt <u>November Cleaning</u> – Barthels

<u>CLC NEWS</u>: Immanuel Lutheran, Mankato MN, has called the Rev. Nathan Pfeiffer, pastor of Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA, as co-pastor.

500th ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION GEMS FROM MARTIN LUTHER (Concerning the Signs of the Coming Judgment)

"First of all it should be known that although these signs of Judgment Day are manifold and great, they will nonetheless be so performed that no one or very few will pay any attention to them and regard them as such signs. For these two developments will and must be conjoined, and the two are also linked together by Christ and the apostles in their prediction: the first, that many and great signs are to come; the second, that despite this fact Judgment Day will come so unexpectedly that from its very beginning the world never expected it less than at the very time when it stands before the door. For although men will see such signs, yes, and will also hear that they are signs of Judgment Day, they will not believe it but will ridicule it and say in great security: Indeed, you precious fool, are you afraid that the heavens will fall and that we shall live to see that day? ...

Well these signs appear now and have appeared for a long time, but no one pays any attention to them. And so it should be. Men wait for a different sign as the Jews wait for a different Christ." (What Luther Says; Vol II #2171, Concordia Publishing House)

NEW KEYBOARD: The new keyboard in the church was donated in memory of Elli Rhodes, who loved to sing praises to the Lord and played many hymns on this keyboard in her home. We thank the Rhodes family for their kind donation.