



“... remove this cup from me;
nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.”

Luke 22:42

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 to bear our sin and redeem us from death. Grant that we may always believe this, and believing have life in Jesus' name. May Your Holy Spirit grant us grace to show forth the glory of Your salvation to the world. In Jesus' name Amen.

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

HYMNS: 155; 390; 145; 172:7,8

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 27:1, 3-5 NKJV)

The Lord *is* my light and my salvation; Whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the strength of my life; Of whom shall I be afraid?

²When the wicked came against me To eat up my flesh,

My enemies and foes, They stumbled and fell.

³Though an army may encamp against me, My heart shall not fear;

Though war may rise against me, In this I will be confident.

⁴One *thing* I have desired of the Lord, That will I seek:

That I may dwell in the house of the Lord All the days of my life,

To behold the beauty of the Lord,

And to inquire in His temple.

⁵For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion;

In the secret place of His tabernacle He shall hide me;

He shall set me high upon a rock.

Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Numbers 21:4-9

Murmuring, complaining, turning away from the Lord for every need and preferring the world as evil and harsh as it was, this was the disobedience of the children of Israel even after forty years of wandering in the wilderness. On the verge of entering that rest of the Promised Land they rebelled against God. As a judgment for their sin fiery looking poisonous snakes entered the camp and many were bitten and died. When the people repented the Lord instructed Moses to form a serpent of brass and put it on a pole. Those who looked to that serpent when bitten did not die. So we also have been bitten by the Old Serpent the devil. If we turn our eyes to the cross of Christ we shall not die.

THE PASSION LESSON: Jesus before Pilate and Herod, Barabbas Pilate searches for a way to be rid of the “Jesus problem.” When Pilate learns that Jesus was from Galilee he sends Jesus to King Herod, who was in Jerusalem at that time, but Jesus is sent back. Pilate then uses the Passover pardon as a ploy to free Jesus, thinking people will never choose Barabbas. Barabbas the murderer is chosen for pardon and not Jesus. The Just for the unjust. So we see how Jesus went forward to bear our sins and carry our sorrows.

THE SERMON: Hebrews 4:1-11

Theme: Looking to Jesus Who Endured the Cross; He Is Our Rest.

- I. Other Promises of Rest Fail because of Disobedience
- II. The Obedience of Faith
- III. The Promise of Rest in Jesus

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible Class follow after the service.

TUESDAY: Catechism class at 4:15.

WEDNESDAY: Midweek Lenten meditations. Supper serving begins at 6:00. Lenten meditation begins at 7:00. This Wednesday’s text: *Luke 23:32-43*. Theme “*The Redeemer of the World Crucified.*”

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship with Holy Communion at 9:30 with Sunday school and Church Council following the service. Sermon text: *Hebrews 13:12*. Theme: “*Looking to Jesus Who Endured the Cross: Our Endurance.*”

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: March 4 Worship - 23 Sunday school 1; Bible Class - 12
March 7 – Lenten meditation- 13

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,221.00	Other Offerings:	
Offerings Received	\$2087.00	Prop. Imprv. Fund	\$100.00
Needed for Year:	\$10,989.00	Memorials: Lincoln Cole	
Received for Year:	\$9,560.00	Prop. Imprv. Fund	\$50.00

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Randy Berg, Luke Berg, Andy Ball, Leon Hellickson

March Cleaning – Barthels

CLC NEWS: Luther Memorial Congregation, Fond du Lac WI, has called the Rev. Nathan Pfeiffer, pastor of Trinity Lutheran, Spokane WA.

GEMS FROM PSALMS AND PROVERBS

Psalm 50:15

“You number my wanderings;

Put my tears into Your bottle;

Are they not in Your book?

⁹When I cry out *to You*,

Then my enemies will turn back;

This I know, because God *is* for me.

¹⁰In God (I will praise *His* word),

In the Lord (I will praise *His* word),

¹¹In God I have put my trust;

I will not be afraid.

What can man do to me?” (NKJV)