



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 confess our sins before You, seeking Your grace in Christ Jesus for the pardon and peace. By Your Holy Spirit working through the gospel we hear this morning create clean hearts within us, and renew in us steadfast spirits, that we may know the joy of Your salvation and the peace and assurance of Your presence. Lead us to confess our Savior's name before the world that sinners may know the path to life that is found in Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Risen and Ever-living Lord. In His name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (730)

HYMNS: 188; 196; 201; 205:2

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 16:9-11 NKJV)

⁹Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoices;

My flesh also will rest in hope.

¹⁰For You will not leave my soul in Sheol,

Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.

¹¹You will show me the path of life;

In Your presence is fullness of joy;

At Your right hand

are pleasures forevermore.

(NKJV)

Glory be to the Father...

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 John 5:1-6

Our faith in Jesus as the Son of God who died for us and rose again is a power in our lives. We love God because of the greatness of His love for us in Christ. If we so love God we will also love those whom God has called to faith. We demonstrate that love by keeping His commandments. They are not burdensome. That means keeping the commandments doesn't ruin our lives, as much as the devil would tempt us to think otherwise. Through faith in Jesus we do overcome the world! He has been revealed to us in the water of His baptism, and again in the blood He shed upon the cross. The Spirit testifies to this truth.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 20:19-31

Jesus revealed Himself to the disciples, demonstrating that He is our risen and ever-living Lord. He came with the message of sins forgiven

April 8, 2018

1st Sunday after Easter

that we are assured of in Jesus' resurrection. This message is not only for
the

believer to receive from the Lord, but for believers to take to other penitent sinners. This forgiveness is built upon the truth of the bodily resurrection of Jesus. It is so important to know His resurrection is true. We see how the Lord revealed Himself again to assure Thomas that His resurrection is real. We are especially blessed that the Spirit has convinced our hearts of this truth, so that we know we have forgiveness and life in Jesus' name.

THE SERMON: Acts 3:12-20

Theme: Resurrection Impact!

- I. Jesus as the Prince of Life
- II. The Power of Jesus' Name
- III. Resurrection Call to Repentance

CALENDAR

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

TUESDAY: Catechism class at 4:15.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship with Holy Communion beginning at 9:30. Sunday school and church council meeting follow the service. Text: 1 John 1:1 – 2:2.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: April 1 Worship - 30 (No Sunday school or Bible Class)

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

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

April Cleaning: Hellickson

CLC YOUTH CAMP: Registration for CLC Youth Camp @ Pillager, MN will be opening on Sunday, March 25th, at 3:00 PM Central Time. Register online at youthcamp.clclutheran.net. This camp is open to all children entering grades 6-12. More details can be found on the website.

GEMS FROM PSALMS AND PROVERBS

Psalm 118:22-24 (NKJV)

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.

CLC Financial Report - March

CLC Financial Report Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2017	YTD Revenu e	YTD Disburse d	Budget 9 Months	Balance 3/31/201 8
General Fund	0	746,864 1,107,11	728,105	697,500	18,759
ILC Operations	0	1	933,192	396,000	173,919
Total	\$0	\$1,853,9 75	\$1,661,2 97	\$1,093,5 00	192,678
Auxiliary Funds					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF)	27,274	174,595	6,534		195,335
ILC Building Projects (AC/Dorm)	- 49,213	364,902	209,117		106,572
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	61,237	186,196	138,159		109,274
Kinship	43,040	86,307	91,855		37,492
Church Extension Fund (CEF)	1,030,84 3	935,212	717,428		1,238,62 7
Student Aid Fund (SAF)	68,917	120,788	123,298		66,407
Reserve Fund	225,190	0	0		225,190
Total	\$1,407,2 88	\$1,868,0 00	\$1,296,3 91		\$1,978,8 97

ILC Building Projects (Academic Center Balance & North Hall)	
Beginning Balance November 1, 2017	\$1,460,9 31
Current Balance March 31, 2018	\$1,445,1 75
Principal paid to date	\$15,756

Notes:

- * **General Fund** offerings in March totaled \$88,680 vs disbursements of \$86,882, resulting in a positive balance of \$18,759. Budgetary offerings needed per month are \$77,500.
- * **ILC Building Projects** revenue in March totaled \$7,911 vs the monthly mortgage payment of \$8,000. The Board of Trustees maintains a 3-month payment reserve in this fund and so will pay down around \$80,000 of the \$106,572 balance directly on the loan principal, saving total interest of \$115,000 & decreasing the loan term by 2 years.
- * **CEF:** revenue in March totaled \$89,835 from congregations' CEF loan repayments (\$45,000) & also matured personal notes rewritten vs disbursements of \$61,787 to pay off several matured promissory notes and also interest due on several others.
- * **MDF:** offerings in March totaled \$48,1124 vs disbursements of \$2,814.

- * **SAF:** received \$21,400 in March from congregational offerings (\$4,750), memorials (\$3,250), and student loan re-payments (\$13,400) vs disbursements of \$11,900 for allocation of 2nd semester student grants (\$2,900), monthly student loans (\$8,000), and admin expenses (\$1,000).
- * **IIF:** The ILC Improvement Fund March offering was \$552, vs \$90 disbursements, resulting in an IIF balance of \$195,225. This will enable us to do all the approved projects in the IIF, including re-paving of Ingram Drive, field house heating upgrade, and several professorage repairs & upgrades.

*James E. Sandeen, CLC Treasurer
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