

# St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

2100 16<sup>th</sup> Street SW, Austin, MN 55912 Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:45 a.m.

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<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: 212; 738; 213; 409:4

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Ps. 110:1, 4, 5; Ps. 47:5 NKJV)

The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand,

Till I make Your enemies Your footstool."

The Lord has sworn And will not relent,

"You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek."

<sup>5</sup>The Lord *is* at Your right hand;

He shall execute kings in the day of His wrath.

<sup>47:5</sup> God has gone up with a shout,

**The Lord with the sound of a trumpet.** (NKJV)

Glory be to the Father...

### THE EPISTLE LESSON: Acts 1:1-11

In this account of Jesus' ascension Luke's emphasis is on how this event marks the completion of Jesus' mission of redemption and turns the disciples' attention to the coming of the Holy Spirit. This was still not the culmination the disciples were constantly seeking, that Jesus would establish an earthly kingdom, but rather the advancement of the kingdom of His grace through the powerful working of the Holy Spirit. We note that Jesus will come again returning visibly, just as He ascended

## THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 24:44-53

In this account Luke's emphasis is how all things written in the prophets were fulfilled, leading to this glorious event of Jesus being received up into heaven. Just as it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and die and rise again, so it is also necessary that repentance and remission of sins be preached in His name throughout the world. In the days leading up to His ascension Jesus opened the disciples' understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures. May we also be so blessed that we might be able confessors of His name!

THE SERMON: Ephesians 1:16-23

**Theme**: The Power of Christ as Our Ascended Lord.

I. His Power in our Hearts and Lives II. . His Rule Over All for His Church

#### CALENDAR

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

MONDAY: Pastor Study Club in Mankato from 10:00 – 3:00.

TUESDAY: Catechism class at 4:15.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u> Worship with Holy Communion beginning at 9:30. *Text: John 14:25-27.* Sunday school and Church Council follow the service.

### **FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Saturday, June 9: Delegate Conference in Fridley, 10:a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

<u>June 21-24</u>: Thursday – Sunday CLC Convention in Eau Claire, WI

### **OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:**

Attendance: May 6 Worship - 27 Sunday school - 4 Bible Class – 13

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,221.00	Other Offerings:	
Offerings Received	\$ 1,226.00	Property Improv. Fund	\$90.00
Needed for Year:	\$19,536.00		
Received for Year:	\$18,657.00		

#### SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

<u>Ushers:</u> Andy Ball, Joe Ubl, Melvin Eichstadt, Leon Hellickson

May Cleaning was done on Spring clean up day.

**LAWN MOWING VOLUNTEERS**: A signup sheet can be found on the "mailbox" table in the narthex. Sign up while your favorite month is available.

<u>OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES</u> from St. Paul's: See announcements from Caidyn Kruse and Teah Kesler on the bulletin board. Our congratulations and best wishes to both of these young ladies.

**SPOKESMAN SUBSCRIPTION RENWALS**: It is time for us to renew our subscriptions for the Lutheran Spokesman. Because the Spokesman is in good financial order with the increase of subscriptions in recent years it is possible to offer renewal and new subscriptions at special rates. Until June 30 **renewals are offered at \$10** for the year and **new subscriptions will be only \$5.00**. This would be an excellent opportunity to present a gift subscription to someone you know. If you are not currently a subscriber take a sample home from the church's copies, and see the quality of the magazine for yourself. It's a wonderful testimony to the truth in a format that is easy to share!

Arise and Shine (20's & 30's Retreat) June 14th-17th at Camp JIM in Pillager, MN. If you are in your 20's or 30's, please plan on joining us for this faith-building weekend. The theme this year is "Discipl(in)e." As disciples of Christ, we can expect to receive discipline. "For the Lord disciplines the one He loves, and chastises every son whom He receives." To register, go to <a href="www.ariseandshineretreat.com">www.ariseandshineretreat.com</a>. The cost is \$140 per adult (12 & up) and \$100 per child. Child care is provided at no additional charge. We ask families to try to register by May 25th, Questions, please contact: Pastor Sam Rodebaugh - <a href="mailto:sam.rodebaugh@gmail.com">sam.rodebaugh@gmail.com</a> - (414)534-7279 | Josh Ohlmann - <a href="joshohlmann@swbell.net">joshohlmann@swbell.net</a> - (314)874-9184 | Kym Stelter - <a href="mailto:kjstelter@gmail.com">kjstelter@gmail.com</a> - (507) 327-2076.

### GEMS FROM PSALMS AND PROVERBS

Proverbs 3:10-15 (NKJV)

"10 Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies.

<sup>11</sup> The heart of her husband safely trusts her;

So he will have no lack of gain.

<sup>12</sup> She does him good and not evil All the days of her life.

<sup>13</sup> She seeks wool and flax, And willingly works with her hands.

<sup>14</sup> She is like the merchant ships, She brings her food from afar.

<sup>15</sup> She also rises while it is yet night,

And provides food for her household,

And a portion for her maidservants."

HAPPY MOTHERS' DAY!