

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, Wed., 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>: 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: 1; 297; 416; 413:5,6

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Ps. 103:1-4, 11-12, 22 NKJV) Bless the Lord, O my soul; And all that is within me, *bless* His holy name! ²Bless the Lord, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits: ³Who forgives all your iniquities, Who heals all your diseases, ⁴Who redeems your life from destruction, Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, ¹¹For as the heavens are high above the earth, So great is His mercy toward those who fear Him; 12 As far as the east is from the west. So far has He removed our transgressions from us. ²²Bless the Lord, all His works, In all places of His dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul! (NKJV) Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Deuteronomy 5:12-15

Why such a strict command to observe the Sabbath of the Lord? Was the Lord that concerned that people have time for recreation? No. It was the Sabbath of the Lord! Time was to be reserved for the needs of the soul that we might know and treasure freedom from the slavery of sin.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 3:23-28

We find here a valuable lesson in staying focused on the Lord's purpose for our salvation. Man was not made for the Sabbath but the Sabbath for man. Jesus is Lord of the Sabbath; He remains the focus of our worship. THE SERMON: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

Theme: Revealing the Surpassing Power of God in the Gospel I. God's Gospel Light Overpowers the Darkness within Sinful Hearts

II. God's Gospel Treasure Is Stored in Palin Clay Pots

III. God's Gospel Power Prevails Against all Adversaries

CALENDAR

 $\underline{\text{TODAY}}$: Sunday school is in summer recess. Bible Class will follow after the service. We will conclude an overview of doctrinal matters coming before the CLC convention in June.

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

<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>: Worship with beginning at 9:30. *Text: 2 Corinthians* 4:5-12.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER:

<u>June 21-24</u>: Thursday – Sunday CLC Convention in Eau Claire, WI. The church council has called Mr. Brian Stearns to conduct a lay service in Pastor Barthels' absence.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: May 27 Worship – 21 Sunday school - 2 Bible Class - 12

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,221.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$ 920.00	Memorials: Samantha Barthels
Needed for Year:	\$23,199.00	Kinship \$50.00
Received for Year:	\$21,787.00	

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

<u>Ushers:</u> Melvin Eichstadt, Randy Berg, Luke Berg, Preston Johnson June Cleaning - Nelson. June Lawn m owing - Hellickson

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

SPOKESMAN SUBSCRIPTION RENWALS: It is time for us to wrap up our renewals for the Lutheran Spokesman. Please make sure you have taken care of it today! Renewals are offered at \$10 for the year and new subscriptions will be only \$5.00. **Please remember to pay St. Paul's for Spokesman subscriptions.**

GEMS FROM PSALMS AND PROVERBS

Proverbs 3:21-23 (NKJV) "²¹ My son, let them not depart from your eyes— Keep sound wisdom and discretion; ²² So they will be life to your soul And grace to your neck. ²³ Then you will walk safely in your way, And your foot will not stumble."