

Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:30 a.m.

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Affiliated with CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION stpaulclcaustin.wordpress.com www.CLClutheran.org www.ilc.edu/home.htm <u>PRAYER:</u> Lord God, heavenly Father we thank and praise You for revealing Yourself to us as our Savior from sin and death, and that You have called us to faith through the truth of Your Word. Preserve us in Your truth that our faith may always be founded on those gospel precepts presented through Your servant Martin Luther, that we are saved by grace alone, through faith in Jesus' merits, the truth of Christ being found in Scripture alone. We praise You in our Savior's name. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (238:3-5)

<u>HYMNS</u>: 261; 373:1-5; 774; 50:2

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Ps.46:1,2; 4, 5,7 NKJV)

God *is* our refuge and strength,

A very present help in trouble.

² Therefore we will not fear, Even though the earth be removed,

And though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea;

⁴ *There is* a river whose streams shall make glad the city of God,

The holy *place* of the tabernacle of the Most High.

⁵God *is* in the midst of her, she shall not be moved;

God shall help her, just at the break of dawn.

⁷ The Lord of hosts *is* with us;

The God of Jacob *is* our refuge.

Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Jeremiah 18:1-11

The Lord desires reformation from evil nations. The fate of the unbelieving nations of this world is not hopeless. There is hope in the Lord. The Lord calls for repentance, turning away from evil and toward the Lord, and He will turn away from His plan of judgment to His plan of salvation.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 13:5-11

Jesus' warning concerning His return and the coming judgment is as pertinent today as it has ever been. We are encouraged to watch out for ourselves that we are prepared to meet the world's opposition against the gospel. Remember how the Lord strengthened Martin Luther when he was challenged by the powers of this world. Standing before bishops and princes and emperors he gave a steadfast confession. The Lord protected Luther as well as those who stood with him, and blessed their testimony of the gospel so that we possess that blessed gospel among us today. <u>November 4, 2018</u>

May we also be bold and courageous to testify to the truth of the gospel!

<u>THE SERMON</u>: Revelation 14:6-7 Theme: God Sends Out His Message of the Gospel I. The Everlasting Gospel of God

II. A Message for All Who Dwell on the Earth

III. The Only Way to True Worship of the One True God

CALENDAR

<u>TODAY</u>: Sunday school and Bible class are scheduled to follow the service this morning. **Joint Reformation service** at Berea, Inver Grove Heights, beginning at 4:00 with fellowship meal to follow. (see below for additional information.)

OPEN HOUSE: The family of Norman Schwartz invites the congregation members to join them for an open house this afternoon from 1:00—3:00 at the Village Coop (located behind Walmart) in observance of Norm's 95th birthday.

MONDAY: Pastor study meeting in Mankato beginning at 10:00 a.m.

WEDNESDAY: Catechism class at 4:15 p.m. – 6:00. p.m.

<u>FRIDAY 6:00.-8:00 p.m.</u>: Seminar sponsored by Immanuel Lutheran Church in Mankato. *Islam and Christianity Compared: What each does with Jesus and God's Love*. Pastor emeritus David Koenig presenting. **Where**: South Central College-North Mankato Campus, 1920 Lee Blvd, North Mankato, MN 56003, USA

<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>: **Worship at 9:30**. MISSION FESTIVAL Special Mission presentation during Bible class with a pot-luck meal following after. **Professor emeritus John Pfeiffer** has had to withdraw from serving as our guest speaker due to health concerns. Text: John 4, 5-14, 27-38, 39-42.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

<u>Thursday, November 22</u>: THANKSGIVING WORSHIP at 9:30 a.m. Give thanks to the Lord for He is good! It is His mercy that endures forever!

Wednesdays, December 5, 12, 19 Midweek advent meditations.

<u>Sunday, December 23rd.</u> The children's Christmas program will be presented at our 9:30 service time.

December 24th: Christmas Eve service will be at 6:00 p.m.

December 25th: Christmas Day: Festival Worship at 9:30 a.m.

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: October 28 Worship – 14, Sunday school – 0 Bible class - 13

| Weekly Offerings Needed | \$ 1,221.00 | Memorials | |
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| Offerings Received | \$ 1,000.00 | Missions | \$25.00 |
| Needed for Year: | \$50,060.00 | | |
| Received for Year: | \$43,068.00 | | |

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels,

<u>Ushers:</u> Arnie Ottjes, Melvin Eichstadt, Leon Hellickson, Joe Ubl <u>November cleaning</u>: Ubl

Thanks: Our thanks to Randy Berg for the landscape work he had his crews do this past Monday and Tuesday installing edging around church shed and sign and replacing plants with rock surrounding the sing. What an improvement! What a blessing! Thank you!

<u>CLC NEWS</u>: Pastor Mike Wilke of Saginaw, MI has declined the call to serve as pastor of Our Redeemer's in Red Wing, MN.

Reformation: The Minnesota Area Joint Reformation Festival will be held at 4 pm TODAY at Berea Lutheran Church in Inver Grove Heights, MN. The theme will be "The 500th Anniversary of the Reformation is Over. Now What?" Our guest speaker will be Pastor Doug Libby and the liturgist will be newly-installed Pastor Nathan Pfeiffer. A fellowship luncheon will be served following the service.