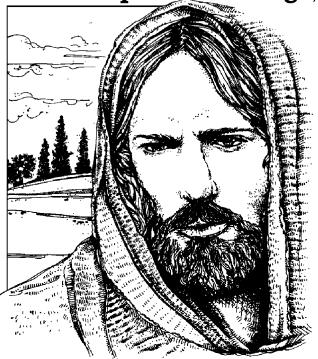
I am the Alpha & the Omega,



# the beginning & the end. Beyelation 21:6

# St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

 $2100~16^{th}$  Street SW, Austin, MN 55912

Worship: 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:30 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: 41; 367; 361; 377:10

# THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Ps. 45:1a, 3--7 NKJV)

My heart is overflowing with a good theme;

I recite my composition concerning the King;

<sup>3</sup> Gird Your sword upon Your thigh, O Mighty One,

With Your glory and Your majesty.

<sup>4</sup> And in Your majesty ride prosperously because of truth, humility, *and* righteousness;

## And Your right hand shall teach You awesome things.

<sup>5</sup> Your arrows *are* sharp in the heart of the King's enemies;

The peoples fall under You.

<sup>6</sup> Your throne, O God, *is* forever and ever;

A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom.

<sup>7</sup>You love righteousness and hate wickedness;

Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions.

Glory be to the Father...

## THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Daniel 7:13-14

This great vision reveals the majesty of our King, who is the Son of Man! All dominion and glory has been given to Jesus. His power and rule is everlasting. His kingdom, made up of all who believe shall not be destroyed!

### THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 18:33-17

Already bound and sorely abused Jesus testified to the truth before Pontius Plate. Jesus is the great King, indeed He is now King over all the earth, and yet His kingdom is not of this world! Hear His voice and you shall know the truth.

<u>THE SERMON</u>: Revelation 1:4-8 Theme: Christ our King Rules for Us

I.As Our Champion Securing Peace and Grace

II. As Our Benefactor Exalting Us as Kings and Priests

III. As Our Judge Securing the Final Victory

#### **CALENDAR**

<u>TODAY</u>: Sunday school and Bible class are scheduled to follow the service this morning.

<u>WEDNESDAY</u>: Catechism class at 4:15 p.m. – 6:00. p.m. Ladies Aid meets at 7:00p.m. Denise Barthels is scheduled to serve as hostess.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u> **Worship at 9:30**. Sunday school and Bible class are scheduled to follow the service. Text: Lue 21:25-36.

#### FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

<u>Sunday</u>, <u>December 9<sup>th</sup></u>: Congregation Christmas fellowship and tree and church decorating follow the service with pot luck and carol singing. Please plan to join in the fellowship and praise!

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

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

<u>December 24<sup>th</sup></u>: Christmas Eve service will be at 6:00 p.m.

<u>December 25<sup>th</sup>: Christmas Day</u>: Festival Worship at 9:30 a.m.

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

Attendance: November 18 Worship − 21, Sunday school − 3

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,221.00	Other offerings
Offerings Received	\$ 986.00	
Needed for Year:	\$53,723.00	
Received for Year:	\$45,949.00	

#### SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels,

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

November cleaning: Ubl

<u>CLC NEWS</u>: The Rev. Douglas Libby, Mankato MN, has returned the call to Bethel Lutheran, Morris MN.

"Islam and Christianity Compared" is the name of an outreach seminar that was conducted in 10 Midwestern locations, sponsored by CLC congregations in Minnesota, Wisconsin, and Michigan. Retired missionary David Koenig was the speaker. A video of the Eau Claire presentation can be seen online at this address: www.tinyurl.com/Messiah-seminar-2018. Those who are interested in receiving a DVD video of this seminar, along with printed materials, Lutheran at 715-834-2865. mav contact Messiah messiah.ec.secretary@gmail.com. A donation of \$5 is suggested to cover the cost of materials and postage.