

Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church 2100 16th Street SW, Austin, MN 55912 Worship: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Class: 10:30 a.m.

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Worship Services broadcast on Austin Cable Channel 181, M & W, 7:30 to $8{:}30~\mathrm{p.m.}$

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<u>PRAYER</u>: Lord God, heavenly Father, who of Your great goodness and mercy caused Your only begotten Son to become incarnate, that we through Him might be redeemed from sin and everlasting death; enlighten our hearts that we may be truly thankful for His gracious incarnation and birth, that we may be comforted by His birth in all time of tribulation and temptation, and in the end receive everlasting salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p.5 (105:1,2,8)

<u>HYMNS:</u> 108; 91; 99; 97

<u>THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT</u>: (Psalm 111:1,4,8 9 NKJV) Praise the Lord! I will praise the Lord with *my* whole heart,

In the assembly of the upright and *in* the congregation.

⁴ He has made His wonderful works to be remembered; **The Lord** *is* **gracious and full of compassion**.

⁷ The works of His hands *are* verity and justice;

All His precepts *are* sure.

⁸ They stand fast forever and ever,

And are done in truth and uprightness.

⁹ He has sent redemption to His people;

He has commanded His covenant forever:

Holy and awesome is His name.

Glory be to the Father...

<u>THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON:</u> 1 Samuel 2:18-20, 26 As a young boy Samuel was brought to the Tabernacle to begin his life's service to the Lord. May we also be led by the Spirit to bring our children to the Lord's house, teaching them to love and serve the Lord in all their ways. December 30, 2018 Sunday after Christmas

<u>THE EPISTLE LESSON:</u> Hebrews 2:10-18 Jesus was born into this world to endure the sufferings of this world. He accepted us as His family, sharing the truth of God with us, showing us by example how we ought to trust God. He endured death to free us from death by paying for our sins. <u>THE SERMON</u>: Luke 2:41-52 Theme: Jesus! What an Amazing Child! I. A Child with Purpose II. A Child with Understanding III. A Perfectly Obedient Child

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible class are in holiday recess.

Wednesday: Catechism at 4:15 p.m.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u> Worship at 9:30. We will be packing away Christmas decorations immediately following the service. Sunday school begins after the service. Bible class begins as soon as decorations are put away.

Sermon text: Isaiah 60:1-6

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

January 13: January council meeting follows the service.

January 27: ANNUAL MEETING Installation of officers in service. Voters' meeting begins at 12:30 following Bible class and a pot luck lunch.

SERVING TODAY

<u>Organist:</u> Denise Barthels <u>Ushers:</u> Randy Berg Luke Berg; Melvin Eichstadt; Leon Hellickson <u>Cleaning:</u> Hellickson

OUR	RESP	ONSE	TO	THE	GOSPEL:

Attendance: December 23 - 64; Dec. 24 - 34, Dec. 25 - 15

Weekly Offerings	\$	Other Offerings:	
Needed	1,221.00		
Offerings Received	\$1,748.00	Missions	
Needed for Year:	\$59828.0	\$15.00	
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Received for Year:	\$56627.0		
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<u>**CLC NEWS</u>**: Pastor Ed Starky of Corpus Christi, Texas, has accepted the call to serve as pastor of Our Redeemer's in Red Wing MN.</u>

Hymn 105:1,2,8 Praise God the Lord, Ye Sons of Men 1. Praise God the Lord, Ye sons of men Before His highest throne: Today He opens heaven again And give us His own Son. And give us His own Son.

 He leaves His heav'nly Father's throne, Is born an Infant small, And in a manger poor and lone, Lies in a humble stall.

8. He opens us again the door Of Paradise today;The Angel guards the gate no more To God our thanks we pay.To God our thanks we pay.