

The Spirit of the Lord
 is on me
 to preach good news to the poor
 to proclaim freedom
 for the prisoners
 to proclaim the year of the
 Lord's favor.

Luke 4:18

St.

Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

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

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PRAYER: Heavenly Father, in your grace and love for a fallen mankind You have caused the light of the glory of God to be revealed in the face of Jesus Christ. Send your Holy Spirit into our midst, that as we hear Your holy Word we may comprehend the glory of Jesus so that the light of the gospel might shine in our hearts, granting us the hope of everlasting life, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p.5 (244:1-3)

HYMNS: 233; 465; 408; 50:2

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 102:18-21, 13 NKJV)

¹⁸ This will be written for the generation to come,

That a people yet to be created may praise the Lord.

¹⁹ For He looked down from the height of His sanctuary;

From heaven the Lord viewed the earth,

²⁰ To hear the groaning of the prisoner,

To release those appointed to death,

²¹ To declare the name of the Lord in Zion,

And His praise in Jerusalem,

¹³ You will arise *and* have mercy on Zion;

For the time to favor her, Yes, the set time, has come.

Glory be to the Father...

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 12:12-2, 26-27

“Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually!” (v.27) The Lord has given each of us gifts to function as a part of the body of Christ. We are all needed for the body of Christ to function at peak proficiency. We aren’t all intended by the Lord to be pastors or teachers, but rather that we identify where the Lord has placed us within the body and then use our God-given gifts to the glory of Christ and the benefit of our fellow man.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 4:14-21

Returning to His home town Jesus taught in the synagogue. Reading a Messianic prophecy from Isaiah Jesus declared this prophecy to be fulfilled in their hearing. He declared that He

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3rd Sunday after Epiphany

was the Promised Savior who proclaimed the gospel to the poor and liberty to those oppressed by sin and death. Jesus proclaimed the acceptable year of the Lord!

THE SERMON: Isaiah 61:1-6

Theme: Jesus Anointed by the Lord

- I. To Preach Comfort to Sin Oppressed Souls
- II. To Build His Church

INSTALLATION OF CONGREGATION OFFICERS

In the regular fall quarterly meeting of St. Paul's Lutheran Church the following were called to serve the congregation.

Today they willingly give their pledge to serve this congregation as the Lord gives them strength. Chairman - Randy Berg; Vice chairman / Elder - Leon Hellickson; Secretary - Joe Ubl; Treasurer; - Ken Nickson; Board of Building and Grounds - Luke Berg; Elders - Joe Ubl, Melvin Eichstadt.

CALENDAR

TODAY: **ANNUAL MEETING** Installation of officers in service. Sunday school and Bible class follow the service. Pot luck lunch follows after Bible class at 11:30. Annual voters' meeting is scheduled for 12:30.

WEDNESDAY: Catechism at 4:15 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and Bible class follow the service. Sermon text: 1 Corinthians 12:27-13:13.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday February 17: Lay service in Pastor Barthels absence.

Sunday February 24: Pastor emeritus Paul Fleischer has agreed to serve in Pastor's absence.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Randy Berg Luke Berg; Melvin Eichstadt; Leon Hellickson

Cleaning: Hellickson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: January 20 - 22; Sunday school - 3 Bible class - 12

Weekly Offerings	\$	Other offerings:
Needed	1,221.00	

Offerings Received	\$1,130.00	
Needed for Year:	\$3,663.00	
Received for Year:	\$2,945.00	

CLC NEWS: Recently, the Lord in His mercy called our brother in faith, Kevin McKenney, home to glory. His family is facing major financial challenges due to funeral costs, as well as ongoing expenses. President Eichstadt has authorized a synod-wide offering to help the family. Gifts may be sent to the General Business Office at ILC with checks made out to: Church of the Lutheran Confession and a memo line: “McKenney Family Aid.” Funds from congregations could also be included in the regular monthly remittance. “Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.” (Gal. 6:10)

Missionary to India: Our missionary to India is planning to return to India this coming Thursday, January 31. Pray that the Lord will bless his travel plans. Pray that our missionary will have a safe and uneventful trip and that there will be no issues clearing through immigration upon his return to India.

HYMN 242:1-3 “Father of Heav’n, Whose Love Profound”

“Father of heav’n, whose love profound
 A ransom for our souls hath found,
 Before Thy throne we sinners bend;
 To us Thy pardoning love extend.

“Almighty Son, Incarnate Word,
 Our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord,
 Before Thy throne we sinners bend,
 To us Thy saving grace extend.

“Eternal Spirit, by whose breath
 The soul is raised from sin and death,

Before Thy throne we sinners bend
To us Thy quick'ning pow'r extend.