

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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<u>PRAYER</u>: Heavenly Father, most holy God, we who come before you today are sinful, and unworthy of your love. We confess our sins before You, seeking Your grace in Christ Jesus for pardon and peace. Through the gospel we hear this morning create clean hearts within us, and renew in us steadfast spirits, that we may know the joy of Your salvation. Lead us to confess Your name before the world that sinners may know the path to repentance and life that is found in Your Son, our crucified Savior. It is in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p.5 (187)

HYMNS: 210; 188; 206; 207:4,6

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (1 Peter 2:2-3 Psalm 105:1-2, 5. 8 NKJV)

1 Peter 2:2-3 "As newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow lithereby,

³ if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

Psalm 105:1 Oh. give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name:

Make known His deeds among the peoples!

² Sing to Him, sing psalms to Him;

Talk of all His wondrous works!

⁵ Remember His marvelous works which He has done,

His wonders, and the judgments of His mouth,

⁸ He remembers His covenant forever,

The word *which* He commanded, for a thousand generations,

Glory be to the Father...

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Acts 5:12, 17-32

The gospel of a Risen Savior was boldly proclaimed by the apostles in Jerusalem. This message was not going to be silenced by the outrage of men. Even when thrown into prison an angel came, releasing the apostles and saying, "Go, stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life." So we to not only know the peace of sins forgiven, but also continue to spread the good news of forgiveness in a risen Savior.

John delivers a message from the "firstborn among the dead." Jesus loved us and washed us from our sins, and He is coming, and all will see Him! Jesus presents Himself to the John and so to us as the One who died for us but now lives forevermore. He brings us His peace.

THE SERMON: John 20:19-31

Theme: The Peace of a Risen Savior.

I. The Peace of Sins Forgiven

II. The Peace of a Confident Faith

CALENDAR

<u>TODAY</u>: Sunday school and Bible Class are scheduled to follow the service. Barbecue chicken/pork dinner will follow at about 11:30, compliments of the Ottjes family The quarterly voters' meeting is scheduled to begin at 12:30.

WEDNESDAY: Catechism at 4:15.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY:</u> Worship at 9:30 a.m. Sunday school and Bible class are scheduled to follow the service. Sermon text: John 21:1-14.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday, May 18: Spring Cleanup at church 9: a.m.

Saturday June 8: Delegate conference in Okabena, MN 10 a.-5p.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

<u>Ushers:</u> Kwentin Stearns, Melvin Eichstadt, Ken Nickson, Arnie Ottjes

May Cleaning will be done with Spring clean up

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: April 21 worship - 50 No Sunday school or Bible class

(The following offering numbers include April 18, 19, 21)

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Weekly Offerings	\$	Other offerings:	
Needed	1,252.00		
Offerings Received	\$2,231.00	Kinship	\$
Needed for Year:	\$21,284.0	50.00	
	0	Prop. Imprv. Fund	
Received for Year:	\$17,167.0	\$100.00	
	0	ILC Student Aid	\$
		25.00	

<u>Congregation Historian</u>. One of the Ladies Aid offices that has gone unfilled for several years is that of Congregation Historian. This position involves documenting events at church: reception of new members, Christmas programs or church picnic, to keeping track of important dates and anniversaries. If there is someone who would be willing to take on the position please contact Ladies Aid chairperson, Deb Berg.

Arise and Shine Retreat registration is now open! Our theme for this year is "Confidence!" In this post-truth age that we live in, so many have a hard time knowing what to believe. The Lord does not want us to have uncertainty but rather calls us to be confident in His Word and the salvation which He has won. If you are in your 20's or 30's and are looking for a relaxing getaway weekend of fun and fellowship, consider signing up for this retreat. The cost is \$140 per adult and \$100 per child. The retreat will be held June 13-16 in Pillager, MN. For more information, visit our website: http://ariseandshineretreat.com.

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Christ is arisen
From the grave's dark prison.
We now rejoice with gladness;
Christ will end all sadness.
Lord have mercy.
All our hopes were ended
Had Jesus not ascended
From the grave triumphantly.
For this, Lord Christ, we worship Thee.
Lord have mercy.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
We now rejoice with gladness;
Christ will end all sadness.
Lord have mercy.