



St.

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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July 21, 2019

6th Sunday after Pentecost

PRAYER: Heavenly Father, I know and confess my sin. I come to you pleading the merits of Your Son. Bless my reception of this communion with forgiveness for all my sins. Grant me strength to live according to Your holy will, defeating temptation in my daily life, and glorifying Your name before the world in all my words and actions. In Jesus' name. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p.15

HYMNS: 408; 410; 315:1-5; 409:1

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 85:7-9, NKJV)

⁷ Show us Your mercy, Lord,

And grant us Your salvation.

⁸ I will hear what God the Lord will speak,

For He will speak peace To His people and to His saints;

But let them not turn back to folly.

⁹ Surely His salvation *is* near to those who fear Him,

That glory may dwell in our land.

¹³ Righteousness will go before Him,

And shall make His footsteps *our* pathway.

Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: 1 Kings 19:14-21

Elisha was the Lord's designated successor for Elijah. By casting his robe on Elisha Elijah was making this message from the Lord clear. However the life that lay before Elisha was not going to be easy. He left behind the evident prosperity of his family and followed Elijah and served as the Lord's prophet to Israel for the rest of his days. May we also follow the Lord's calling for us in life.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 9:51-62

Jesus steadfastly set His face Jerusalem, knowing the sufferings that lay before Him. His attitude was not one of condemnation but redemption and salvation. Some approached Jesus, offering to be one of His disciples, but were not willing to turn away from the comforts of life. Jesus was clear that true discipleship will also involve sacrifice. One may well need to turn away from

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the comforts and pleasures of this world as we follow Jesus. The time to count the cost of discipleship is when we realize the treasure that is ours in Jesus.

THE SERMON: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

Theme: Living in the Freedom of Christ

I. Living Free from sin and Guilt

II. Living Free to Love and Serve our Neighbor

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

We observe the Scriptural practice of close communion. Since participation in communion is a confession of unity of teaching and faith, you will not want to commune with us until you have had a chance to compare your beliefs with ours. Please speak with the pastor to set up an appointment - we want to share this blessing with you!

CALENDAR

TUESDAY p.m. - THURSDAY a.m.: Pastor will be at St. Mary's Hospital for a hypertension drug trial.

SATURDAY, One day **Vacation Bible School!** Beginning at 9a.m. and ending at 2:00 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30 a.m. Sermon text: Galatians 6:1-10, 14-16. **Church Picnic** follows the service.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, September 8: Fall schedule resumes with Sunday school and Bible class following the service.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Ryan Mueller

Ushers: Randy Berg, Ken Nickson, Arnie Ottjes, Joe Ubl

July Cleaning: Nelson

July Lawn Mowing: Katie Barthels

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: July 14 worship - 18

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,252.00	Other offerings: 1
Offerings Received	\$855.00	Mission Helper
Needed for Year:	\$36,309.00	\$100.00
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Received for Year:	\$27,928.0 0
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CLC NEWS: Pastor David Reim has returned the calls to Redeemer of Bowdle and Zion of Ipswich.

Comments for ILC Professor Call

Nominations for ILC Professor: The Board of Regents announces the following nominations to fill the professorship vacated by the impending retirement of Professor Paul Sullivan at the end of the 2019-20 academic year: Pastor Luke Bernthal, Pastor Timothy Daub, Pastor Michael Eichstadt, Pastor Wayne Eichstadt, Pastor John Hein, Pastor Nathanael Mayhew, Pastor David Reim, Mr. Peter Reim, Pastor Chad Sebyt, Mr. Stephen Sydow, Pastor Mark Tiefel, and Pastor Mark Weis. The position would require the ability to teach in a variety of areas, which may include high school and college courses in religion, social sciences, and church history. All comments from members of CLC congregations regarding these candidates are to be received by email or letter no later than midnight September 8, 2019 (letters postmarked August 30, 2019) to: Mr. James Burkhardt; 217 Windy Lane; Rockwall, TX 75087; email: jeb6217@yahoo.com.

Help with Immanuel Athletics Live Streaming - subscribe - Due to a recent change in YouTube policy, ILC will be unable to continue broadcasting off-site athletic events *unless* we have over 1000 subscribers (we are currently at 550). If you would like to subscribe, search "ilcvideos" in YouTube, click on the first result (you will see the school seal), then click the red 'Subscribe' button. There is **no cost** involved; you might simply receive a notification when a new video has been posted. Please pass on to anyone else whom you think may be willing to subscribe.

MISSION HELPER TEAMS return from East Africa:

The Mission Helpers teams completed their two weeks of teaching in either Zambia or Tanzania teaching as many as 250 children at a time about their Savior on any given day, and the Lord blessed them with safe travel home.

PRAYERS: We pray that the Lord continue to bless the Word of the gospel which was proclaimed to so many children, and the teaching that the lead pastors were able to do in furthering the training of the pastors and church leaders in Tanzania and Zambia. This exercise of Christian fellowship is a great encouragement to our brothers and sister in Christ in distant lands.

BLOG: Catch up on all the teams experienced by **visiting the blog** at <https://2019clcmhteastafrica.blogspot.com/>
(A few pictures are also posted on the church bulletin board)

Expression of Appreciation: Thank you to everyone who offered support and prayers for us as we journeyed through East Africa. We taught a total of 750 children in Tanzania which was an incredibly rewarding experience for me. I feel truly blessed to have been able to participate in this wonderful opportunity. -*Valerie Barthels*