

August 25, 2019

11th Sunday after Pentecost

Give us today
our daily bread.

Matthew 6:11



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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PRAYER: Heavenly Father, today I am approaching Your altar where I shall receive the true body and blood of Your Son sacrificed for me and my sin upon the cross. I know and confess my sin. I am unworthy of your forgiveness and salvation, but I come to you pleading the merits of Your Son. Bless my reception of this communion that I may gain confidence that You have forgiven all my sins. Help me 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: 243; 430:1-4; 312; 430:8

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 49:1-2, 7-8a, NKJV)

¹ Hear this, all peoples; Give ear, all inhabitants of the world,

² **Both low and high, Rich and poor together.**

⁷ None *of them* can by any means redeem *his* brother,
Nor give to God a ransom for him—

⁸ **For the redemption of their souls is costly.**

¹³ This is the way of those who *are* foolish,

And of their posterity who approve their sayings.

¹⁴ **Like sheep they are laid in the grave;**

¹⁵ But God will redeem my soul from the power of the grave,

For He shall receive me.

Glory be to the Father...

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Colossians 3:1-11

“Set your mind on things above,” not on the things of this earth. Your life is not to be found in the treasures or pleasures of this world but your life is found in heaven where Christ is. Let us be done with the ways of the world which will bring the wrath of God upon the world, and dress ourselves in the spiritual garb of the new man, who has been created within us with a renewed knowledge of the image of God.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 12 13-21

We see from this incident how easy it is to make financial issues too important, and to try to drag possessing money into our

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spiritual lives. Jesus plainly teaches us that our lives do not consist of the abundance of things we possess. When this life is over they are left behind and of no value to us. We need to focus on storing up the treasures of heaven, that we might be rich toward God.

THE SERMON: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 2:18-26

Theme: Living a Meaningful Life.

- I. Pursuing of Earthly Treasure Becomes Meaningless
- II. Following the Way of the Lord Brings His Blessing to Life

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

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30 a.m.

Sermon text: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

Sunday, September 8: Fall schedule resumes with **Sunday school** and **Bible class** following the service. Bible class will begin a study of the book of Habakkuk. This oft neglected book of the Bible addresses the perplexity the Christina often experiences when struggling with God’s ways in the world as well as in our lives. Please plan to join us for this edifying study that will impact your faith and life.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Luke Berg, Andy Ball, Leon Hellickson, Melvin Eichstadt

August Cleaning: Ubl

August Lawn Mowing Leon Hellickson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: August 11 worship - 26 August 18 worship - 13
(financial report includes 8/11 & 8/18)

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,252.00	Other offerings:
Offerings Received	\$2254.00	

Needed for Year:	\$42,569.0 0
Received for Year:	\$33,061.0 0

Pastor Barthels Call to Loveland, Colorado: During the congregation meetings held on August 11 Pastor Barthels was convinced that he should decline/return the call extended to him by Prince of Peace Lutheran Church of Loveland Colorado, and continue to serve as pastor of St. Paul's here in Austin, Minnesota. Thank you for your prayers during this time of deliberation, and for sharing your thoughts with Pastor Barthels to assist him in reaching this decision.

CLC NEWS:

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 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.

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“Better is a little with the fear of the Lord, Than great treasure with trouble.

¹⁷ Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, Than a fatted calf with hatred.

Proverbs 15:16-17