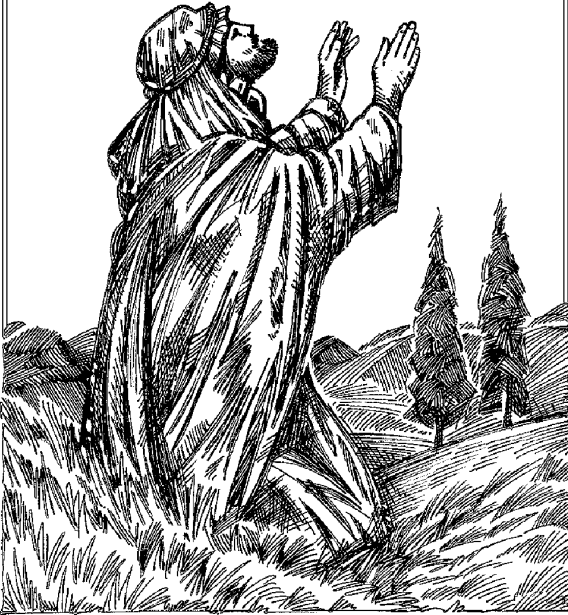


October 13, 2019

18th Sunday after Pentecost

A broken and
contrite heart, O God,
you will not despise.

Psalm 51:17



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, We come before You to praise your Holy name. We acknowledge our sin and unworthiness, yet You have loved us with an everlasting love, sending Your only begotten Son into the world to redeem us from sin and death. Grant that we may always believe this, and believing have life in Jesus' name. By the power of Your Spirit grant us grace that we love one another as You have loved us, and thereby show forth the glory of Your salvation to the world. In Jesus' name. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (248:1-3)

HYMNS: 281; 324:1-6; 342; 50:2

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 30:2-5; 11b, 12b: NKJV)

² O Lord my God, I cried out to You,

And You healed me.

³ O Lord, You brought my soul up from the grave;

You have kept me alive, that I should not go down to the pit.

⁴ Sing praise to the Lord, you saints of His,

And give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name.

⁵ For His anger *is but for* a moment, His favor *is for* life;

Weeping may endure for a night, But joy comes in the morning.

^{11 b} You have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,

^{12b} **O Lord my God, I will give thanks to You forever.**

Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Exodus 32:7-14

At Sinai the people fell into the gross sin of idolatry. "They corrupted themselves," and deserved the wrath of God. Moses interceded for the people, pleading for God's mercy and grace, not on the basis of the people's good intentions or moral character, but purely on the basis of the gracious words and promises of God. So we also have One who intercedes for us, Who also gave Himself for us an offering to God in fulfillment of God's promise. And we are delivered from eternal death.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 15:1-10

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The Pharisees who saw themselves as being righteous in fulfilling the law were critical of the Jesus for keeping company with “sinners.” Jesus taught with parables how it is God’s will that we search out the lost sinner, that the Lord might call them to repentance and faith. “There is joy among the angels of God over one sinner who repents!” (v.10)

THE SERMON: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Theme: Christ Came to Save Sinners!

I. As Guilty as Guilty Can Be!

II. The Abundant Nature of the Grace of God!

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Church council will meet following the service. No Adult Bible class this morning.

WEDNESDAY: **Catechism** from 4:30-6:00.

SATURDAY: Fall cleanup day at church. There is fence repair to be done at the parsonage. We will be taking on some tree work along with some regular fall cleanup outdoors. We may have to consider extending longer than the regular 9:00a.m. to noon. We hope for better weather BUT if weather is questionable again, please watch for a text message, or call Pastor Barthels before coming.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship with Holy Communion at 9:30 a.m. Sunday school and Bible class will follow the service. Sermon text: Luke 16:19-31.

Minnesota conference **joint mission festival** hosted by Immanuel in Mankato beginning at 4:00 p.m.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

October 27: Quarterly Voters meeting to begin at 12:30 p.m. A **pot luck** meal will follow after Bible class at 11:30.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Randy Berg, Andy Ball, Luke Berg, Joe Ubl

September Cleaning: Hellickson

Lawn Mowing: Joe Ubl and Leon Hellickson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: Oct. 6 worship - 34 Bible class - 25 Sunday school - 6

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,252.00	Other Offerings:
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Offerings Received	\$1497.00	Missions
Needed for Year:	\$51,333.00	\$525.00
Received for Year:	\$40,806.00	

CLC NEWS: Stephen Sydow, Eau Claire, WI has returned the call to be pastor of Trinity, Spokane, WA. Pastor Timothy Wheaton has been called by Prince of Peace, Loveland, CO. Pastor Wheaton presently is the pastor of Living Word, Blue Springs (Kansas City), MO. Living Word is dissolving as a congregation at the end of the year.

On Sunday, October 20, Salem Lutheran Church of Eagle Lake will observe 75 years of God's grace with an anniversary service at 10 a.m. All are invited to attend.

Joint Mission Festival Service This year the Minnesota Conference of the CLC will be hosting a Joint Mission Festival at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Mankato, MN on **October 20 at 4pm**. The prayer is to annually rotate a Joint Mission Festival with the Joint Reformation Service. A meal will be served following the service. Please bring a dessert or side to share. More details regarding the service will be announced soon.

Trip to Israel - A group trip to Israel is being planned in January of 2021. The dates are set for January 13-22, 2021 with a possible three day extension to Jordan for those who are interested. The trip will include visits to Caesarea, Mt. Carmel, Nazareth, Cana, Capernaum, Jerusalem, the Dead Sea, and En Gedi and more. It will include visits to the traditional sites of many of the events in the ministry of Jesus as well as those of the prophets and apostles. This is a wonderful opportunity to see the places which we read and hear about in the Scriptures and where God brought His plan of salvation to completion through the life and the death of Jesus. More information can be found in a brochure on the table in the church entry. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Pastor Nathanael Mayhew (404-729-4602 or ndmayhew@att.net).

16 Then I said: "Wisdom is better than strength."

***Nevertheless the poor man's wisdom is despised,
And his words are not heard.***

***¹⁷ Words of the wise, spoken quietly, should be heard
Rather than the shout of a ruler of fools.***

***¹⁸ Wisdom is better than weapons of war;
But one sinner destroys much good.”*** (Ecclesiastes 9:16-18)