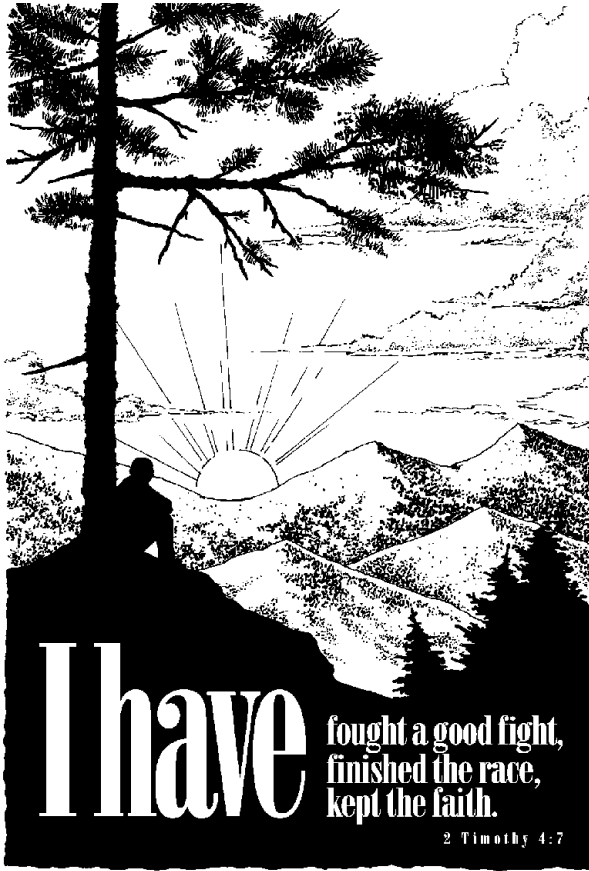


November 17, 2019

23rd Sunday after Pentecost



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: Oh God, You declare in Your Word that You do not want to see the sinner die, but that he turn from his sinful way and live. To this end You sent Your Son to suffer and die for our sins, and You have called us to repentance and faith in His name. Today I come to You confessing my sin, and yet trusting that for Jesus' sake You grant me forgiveness for all my sins. As I receive Jesus' body and blood, the sacrifice offered for my sins, I ask that Your Spirit would strengthen my faith, and that I might grow in Your grace that the new man might arise and lead me to live to the glory of Your holy name. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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HYMNS: 537; 613; 447; 413:5,6

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 121:1, 2, 5, 7- 8, NKJV)

¹ I will lift up my eyes to the hills—From whence comes my help?

² **My help comes from the LORD, Who made heaven and earth.**

⁵ The LORD is your keeper;

The LORD is your shade at your right hand.

⁷ The LORD shall preserve you from all evil;

He shall preserve your soul.

⁸ The LORD shall preserve your going out and your coming in

From this time forth, and even forevermore.

Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 65:17-25

The Lord who grants us peace even now through our Lord Jesus Christ directs us to the future glory that shall be ours in heaven. The Lord speaks of creating a new heavens and a new earth where we together with the Lord will rejoice and be glad forevermore. Our hope and faith is in God as OUR God, the God of our eternal salvation. All the violence and death and destruction that now plagues the earth will be gone forever.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 20:27-38

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Saints Triumphant Sunday

The Sadducees attempted to make the hope of the resurrection appear absurd. Our resurrection life shall be very different from the life we experience now, but it is a sure and certain hope. God assures us that even as He is the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and that they live in the glory of His presence, so we also have eternal life in His name. We live in the hope of the resurrection to eternal life.

THE SERMON: 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Theme: Features of the Christian's Ultimate Victory.

- I. Finishing the Race of this Life
- II. Keeping the Faith
- III. Receiving the Crown of Righteousness
- IV. Knowing the Lord's Power and Presence

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

We observe the Scriptural practice of close communion. We do this in loving concern for all who would desire to commune, that it might be for their spiritual blessing and not their spiritual harm. The Scriptures teach us that communicants need to be able to examine themselves concerning their sin and repentance, and also a proper understanding of the Lord's presence in the sacrament. We ask that only those who are members of this congregation, or one affiliated with us in the CLC, partake of the sacrament. Please speak with the pastor if you would wish to commune with us at a future time.

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and church council will meet following the service.

WEDNESDAY: Catechism from 4:30-6:00. Ladies Aid at 7:00 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday school and Bible class following the service. Sermon text: Luke 23:35-43.

FUTURES DATES TO REMEMBER

November 28: **Thanksgiving Day** Worship at 9:30 a.m.

December 4, 11, 18: **Midweek Advent meditations**. Soup and sandwich suppers begin at 6:00p.m. Meditation begins at 7:00 p.m.

December 8: Church decorating and Christmas fellowship follow the service. This includes a potluck meal.

December 22: Sunday morning at 9:30 Sunday school children present their **Christmas program.**

December 24: Christmas Eve service **6:00 p.m.**

December 25: CHRISTMAS Festival worship at 9:30 a.m.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Arnie Ottjes, Melvin Eichstadt, Leon Hellickson, Joe Ubl

November Cleaning: Nelson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: Nov. 10 worship - 15 Sunday school - 2 Bible class - 9

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,252.00	Other Offerings: Memorial
Offerings Received	\$ 687.00	Lincoln Cole -Prop. Imprv.
Needed for Year:	\$56,341.00	\$50
Received for Year:	\$45,373.00	

Death - God's Solution & a Christian's Perspective:

(Psalm 116:3-4, 7-9, 15)

³The pains of death surrounded me,
And the pangs of Sheol laid hold of me;
I found trouble and sorrow.

⁴Then I called upon the name of the Lord:
"O Lord, I implore You, deliver my soul!"

⁷Return to your rest, O my soul,
For the Lord has dealt bountifully with you.

⁸For You have delivered my soul from death,
My eyes from tears,
And my feet from falling.

⁹ I will walk before the Lord
In the land of the living.

¹⁵ Precious in the sight of the Lord
Is the death of His saints.