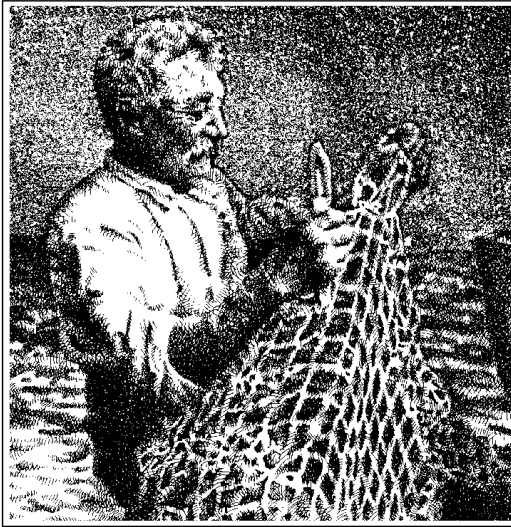


February 2, 2020

4th Sunday after Epiphany



“COME, FOLLOW ME.”

JESUS SAID,

“AND I WILL MAKE

YOU FISHERS OF MEN.”

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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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PRESERVICE PRAYER: Heavenly Father, in your grace and love for a fallen mankind You have caused the light of the glory of God to be revealed in the face of Jesus Christ. We pray that You would send your Holy Spirit into our midst, that as we hear Your holy Word we may comprehend the glory of Jesus so that the light of the gospel might shine in our hearts, dispelling the darkness of sin and death and granting us the hope of everlasting life, through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: p. 5 (244:1-3)

HYMNS: 27; 364; 770; 644

THE RESPONSIVE INTROIT: (Psalm 22:22, 27-28, 30&31 NKJV)

²² I will declare Your name to My brethren;

In the midst of the assembly I will praise You.

²⁷ All the ends of the world Shall remember and turn to the Lord,

And all the families of the nations Shall worship before You.

²⁸ For the kingdom is the Lord's,

And He rules over the nations.

³⁰ A posterity shall serve Him.

It will be recounted of the Lord to the next generation,

³¹ They will come and declare His righteousness
to a people who will be born,

That He has done *this*.

Glory be to the Father...

THE OLD TESTAMANT LESSON: Isaiah 9:1-4

Isaiah describes Jesus ministry in poetic terms including Jesus traveling throughout the territory of Galilee, an area that in Isaiah's day faced God's judgment. In Christ's coming they would hear of God's grace. Jesus brings the light of the gospel, the joy of salvation and victory over the sin's cruel oppression.

THE EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 1:10-17

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As it was with the Corinthians, so it shall be to the end of times. The devil strives to sow the seeds of division within the church, either with false teaching or with social or even political concerns. Who did what or who is greater than another is all foolishness. What matters is the continuing proclamation of the gospel of peace which joins us as one Church before God. May the truth of Christ rule over us all with His love and peace.

THE SERMON: Matthew 4:12-23

Theme: The Ever Growing Expanse of Jesus' Ministry

I. Demonstrated in Jesus' Galilean Ministry

II. Continued through Jesus' Call to Discipleship

CALENDAR

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible Class will follow the service.

MONDAY: Pastor Workshop meeting in Friday, MN.

WEDNESDAY: Catechism class from 4:30-6:00 p.m.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday school and Bible class following the service. Text: Matthew 5:13-20.

FUTURES DATES TO REMEMBER

February 26: ASH WEDNESDAY

Saturday, March 14: We will be hosting the Immanuel College Tour Choir for a 1:00 concert.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

Ushers: Kwentin Stearns, Ken Nickson; Arnie Ottjes, Joe Ubl

February Cleaning: Hellickson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: Jan. 26 worship - 30 Sunday school - 5 Bible class - 16

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,249.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$ 1,475.00	
Needed for Year:	\$4,996.00	
Received for Year:	\$3,840.00	

THE 34th CONVENTION OF THE CLC is this summer, June 25-28, Thursday through Sunday. Two male delegates from and

representing each congregation are encouraged to participate. Travel, meals and lodging are paid by the congregations. Pastors and male teachers also attend. Please prayerfully consider if you would be able to represent our congregation as a delegate in this work of God's Kingdom

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR CLC OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS

Nominations for CLC Officers and Board Members will be received from January 1 through March 31, 2020. Pastors, professors, male teachers, and any voter of a CLC congregation can nominate individuals to fill the four synodical offices: President, Vice-President, Moderator, and Secretary; as well as positions on the four synodical boards: Trustees, Missions, Regents, and Education & Publications. Click on this link: <https://www.clclutheran.net/nominate/>

Suspension of the Professor Calling Process: With the approval of the CLC President, the Regents are suspending the calling of the next professor. In the past year the Regents and ILC President have been evaluating initiating a full-time administrator position by keeping the faculty at 11 professors after this year's retirement of Prof. Paul Sullivan. We are working with the faculty to determine if this is a viable option. If so, the intent is to present a proposal to the 2020 CLC Convention. May the Lord of the harvest continue to lead us in managing the available man-power within our church body so that our primary focus is on the preaching and teaching of His powerful Word.

CLC Midwest Women's Retreat

Registration is now open for the CLC Midwest Women's Retreat. Join us March 20-22 at the new retreat location in Amery, Wisconsin. This year the theme is: You Are Designed. You Are Loved. You Are Sent We will be studying how God designed us as His children, the unique gifts He has given to each of us, and how we can use those gifts to glorify Him in this world. Find online registration link and other information:

<https://christianwomensretreat.weebly.com/spring-midwest-retreat.html>. The cost is \$150 per person which includes lodging and all meals.

Lodging preferences are on a first come first served basis, join us for a weekend of fellowship and growing in the study of God's Word! If you have any questions, please contact Erin Radichel or Sarah Radichel at clcmidwestwomensretreat@gmail.com.