

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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Affiliated with CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION stpaulclcaustin.wordpress.com www.CLClutheran.org www.ilc.edu/home.htm <u>PRESERVICE PRAYER</u> Oh Lord, who has caused all Holy Scripture to be written for our edification, grant us Your Holy Spirit that He might open our hearts to reverently hear Your Word, and hearing that we may be brought to a fuller knowledge of Your glory revealed in our salvation in Jesus Christ. Grant that, having fed our souls upon the Bread of Life, we may be invigorated to live our lives to the glory of our Savior's name. It is in His name alone that we pray. Amen.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE: (p. 22 Worship Supplement 2000)

HYMN: 21:1-3, 6 Jehovah, Let Me Now Adore Thee

^{1.} Jehovah, let me now adore Thee, For where is there a God such, Lord, as Thou? With songs I fain would come before Thee; Oh, let Thy Holy Spirit teach me now To praise Thee in His name thro' whom alone Our songs can please Thee, thro' Thy blessed Son!

^{2.} O Father, draw me to my Savior That Thy dear Son may draw me unto Thee; Thy Spirit guide my whole behavior And rule both sense and reason thus in me That, Lord, Thy peace from me may ne'er depart, But wake sweet melodies within my heart.

^{3.} Grant that Thy Spirit prompt my praises, Then shall my singing surely please Thine ear; Sweet are the sounds my heart then raises, My prayer in truth and spirit Thou wilt hear. Then shall Thy Spirit raise my heart to Thee To sing Thee psalms of praise in high degree.

6. And what Thy Spirit thus hath taught me To seek from Thee must needs be such a prayer As Thou wilt grant, through Him who bought me And raised me up to be Thy child and heir. In Jesus' name I boldly seek Thy face And take from Thee, my Father, grace for grace. P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: God is light and Him is no darkness at all.

C: If we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C: If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

P: Together let us pray.

C: Almighty God, merciful Father, we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. But we are sorry for our transgressions and pray You, of Your bountiful mercy, to be gracious and merciful unto us.

Forgive us for Jesus' sake, renew us by Your Spirit, and lead us in the way everlasting. Amen.

P: Jesus Christ is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. We are forgiven! With boldness and confidence we may approach the throne to find grace to help in time of need. In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you**.

COLLECT FOR THE DAY

THE EPISTLE LESSON: Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable *are* His judgments and His ways past finding out! ³⁴ "For who has known the mind of the LORD? Or who has become His counselor?" ³⁵ "Or who has first given to Him

And it shall be repaid to him?"

³⁶ For of Him and through Him and to Him *are* all things, to whom *be* glory forever. Amen. (NKJV)

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 16:13-20

¹³When Jesus came into the region of Caesarea Philippi, He asked His disciples, saying, "Who do men say that I, the Son of Man, am?"

¹⁴So they said, "Some *say* John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets."

¹⁵He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?"

¹⁶Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."

¹⁷ Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed *this* to you, but My Father who is in heaven. ¹⁸ And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it. ¹⁹ And I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

²⁰ Then He commanded His disciples that they should tell no one that He was Jesus the Christ. (NKJV)

THE APOSTLES CREED

Hymn 473:1-2, 5 The Church's One Foundation

1. The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is His new creation By water and the Word. From heav'n He came and sought her To be His holy bride; With His own blood He bought her, And for her life He died.

2. Elect from ev'ry nation, Yet one o'er all the earth, Her charter of salvation One Lord, one faith, one birth. One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, With ev'ry grace endued.

5. Mid toil and tribulation And tumult of her war She waits the consummation Of peace forevermore, Till with the vision glorious Her longing eyes are blest And the great Church victorious Shall be the Church at rest.

THE SERMON: Exodus 6:2-8

Theme: Truly Knowing the LORD!

I. The LORD Reveals Himself to Us as the Covenant God

II. The LORD Reveals Himself as Compassionate God

III. The LORD Reveals Himself to Us as Our God

SERMON TEXT: Exodus 6:2-8

And God spoke to Moses and said to him: "I *am* the LORD. ³I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by My name LORD I was not known to them. ⁴I have also established My covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, in which they were strangers. ⁵ And I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel whom the Egyptians keep in bondage, and I have remembered My covenant. ⁶ Therefore say to the children of Israel: 'I am the LORD; I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, I will rescue you from their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments. ⁷ I will take you as My people, and I will be your God. Then you shall know that I *am* the LORD your God who brings you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. ⁸ And I will bring you into the land which I swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; and I will give it to you *as* a heritage: I *am* the LORD.' " (NKJV)

PRAYER; THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN 364:1-3, 6-7: How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

1. How sweet the name of Jesus sounds In a believer's ear! It soothes his sorrows, heals his wounds, And drives away his fear.

2. It makes the wounded spirit whole And calms the troubled breast; 'Tis manna to the hungry soul And to the weary rest.

3. Dear name! The Rock on which I build, My Shield and Hiding Place; My never-failing Treasury, filled With boundless stores of grace.

6. Weak is the effort of my heart And cold my warmest thought; But when I see Thee as Thou art, I'll praise Thee as I ought.

7. Till then I would Thy love proclaim With every fleeting breath; And may the music of Thy name Refresh my soul in death!

BENEDICTION; **C: Amen.**

Hymn 50:2 Thanks We Give and Adoration

2. Thanks we give and adoration For Thy Gospel's joyful sound. May the fruits of Thy salvation In our hearts and lives abound; Ever faithful, Ever faithful To the Truth may we be found!

CALENDAR

<u>TODAY</u>: Thank you for coming to hear the Word. Please exit the building directly after the service. Used bulletins should either be taken home or deposited in the wastepaper basket at the narthex door. Your offerings may be placed in the offering plate at the rear of the nave.

<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>: Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and Bible class are scheduled to follow the service. Bible class will be held in the fellowship hall, however we ask that those attending spread out, with each family groups having their own table, maintaining 6 feet of distancing from other family groups. Sermon text: Romans 12:1-8.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: August 30 worship – 12

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,250.00	Memorials
Offerings Received	\$645.00	
Needed for Year:	\$42,500.00	
Received for Year:	\$38,503.00	

September Church Cleaning - Ubl

September lawn mowing - Joe Ubl (A volunteer to help with lawn trimming would be greatly appreciated)

CLC NEWS: Pastor Ben Libby, Ascension, Tacoma, WA has returned the call extended to him by Redeemer, Bowdle and Zion, Ipswich, SD.

Saturday August 29th, Desirae (Ohlmann) Naumann one the past teachers of St. Paul's school, was diagnosed with a brain tumor following a sudden seizure. On Tuesday a golf ball sized tumor was removed from her right occipital lobe, and chemo wafers were inserted in her brain. Surgery went well, but very likely further treatment will be necessary. We pray that the Lord watch over Desirae, bless the treatments she will be receiving and according to His gracious good will, grant her a full recovery. Naumann's address is 1119 14th St. Clarkston, WA 99403. Desirae is the wife of Pastor David Naumann, and mother to Pastors Joe, Tom, and Sam Naumann.