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**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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PRESERVICE PRAYER 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: 494 Awake, Thou Spirit, Who Didst Fire**

1. Awake, Thou Spirit, who didst fire  
The watchmen of the Church's youth,  
Who faced the Foe's envenomed ire,  
Who witnessed day and night Thy truth,  
Whose voices loud are ringing still  
And bringing hosts to known Thy will.
2. Lord, let our earnest prayer be heard,  
The prayer Thy Son has bid us pray;  
Or, lo, Thy children's hearts are stirred  
In ev'ry land in this our day  
To cry with fervent soul to Thee,  
Oh, help us, Lord! So let it be!
3. Oh, haste to help ere we are lost!  
Send preachers forth, in spirit strong,  
Armed with Thy Word, a dauntless host,  
Bold to attack the rule of wrong;  
Let them the earth for Thee reclaim,  
Thy heritage, to know Thy name.
4. And let Thy Word have speedy course,  
Thro' ev'ry land be glorified,  
Till all the heathen know its force  
And fill Thy churches far and wide.  
Oh, spread the conquest of Thy Word  
And let Thy kingdom come, dear Lord!

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 OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains  
Are the feet of him who brings good news,  
Who proclaims peace,  
Who brings glad tidings of good *things*,  
Who proclaims salvation,

Who says to Zion,  
“Your God reigns!”

<sup>8</sup> Your watchmen shall lift up *their* voices,  
With their voices they shall sing together;  
For they shall see eye to eye  
When the Lord brings back Zion.

<sup>9</sup> Break forth into joy, sing together,  
You waste places of Jerusalem!  
For the Lord has comforted His people,  
He has redeemed Jerusalem.

<sup>10</sup> The Lord has made bare His holy arm  
In the eyes of all the nations;  
And all the ends of the earth shall see  
The salvation of our God. (NKJV)

#### THE GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 16:15-20

<sup>15</sup> And He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. <sup>16</sup> He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. <sup>17</sup> And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; <sup>18</sup> they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.”

<sup>19</sup> So then, after the Lord had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. <sup>20</sup> And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with *them* and confirming the word through the accompanying signs. Amen. (NKJV)

#### THE APOSTLES CREED

#### **Hymn 498: 1,2,5,6 Rise, Thou Light of Gentile Nations**

1. Rise, Thou Light of Gentile nations, Jesus, bright and Morning Star;  
Let Thy Word, the gladsome tidings, Ring out loudly near and far,  
Bringing freedom to the captives, Peace and comfort to the slave,  
That the heathen, free from bondage, May proclaim Thy pow’r to save.

2. See the blindness of the heathen, Strangers to Thy glorious light,  
Straying hopeless till they find Thee, Wand’ring aimless in the night  
See their pitiful condition; Lo, gross darkness covers all,  
And no ray of hope refreshes Nor dispels the dreadful pall.

5. May our zeal to help the heathen Be increased from day to day  
As we plead in true compassion And for their conversion pray.  
For the many faithful heralds, For the Gospel they proclaim,  
Let us all be cheerful givers to the glory of Thy name.

6. Savior, shine in all Thy glory On the nations near and far;  
From the highways and the byways Call them, O Thou Morning Star.  
Guide them whom Thy grace hath chosen Out of Satan's dreadful thrall  
To the mansions of Thy Father – There is room for sinners all.

**THE SERMON:** Romans 10:11-17

Theme: Fulfilling the Lord's Mission for His Church

- I. Sharing our Faith in our Redeemer God
- II. Sending out Messengers of the Gospel
- III. Steadfastly Proclaiming the Gospel

**SERMON TEXT:** Romans 10:11-17

<sup>11</sup> For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame." <sup>12</sup> For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. <sup>13</sup> For "whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

<sup>14</sup> How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? <sup>15</sup> And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written:

"How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace,  
Who bring glad tidings of good things!"

<sup>16</sup> But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our report?" <sup>17</sup> So then faith *comes* by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. (NKJV)

PRAYER; THE LORD'S PRAYER

**HYMN 307 Draw Nigh and Takes the Body of the Lord**

1. Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord  
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured.  
Offered was He for greatest and for least,  
Himself the Victim and Himself the Priest.

2. He that His saints in this world rules and shields

To all believers life eternal yields,  
With heav'nly bread makes them that hunger whole,  
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.

3. Approach ye, then, with faithful hearts sincere  
And take the pledges of salvation here.  
O Judge of all, our only Savior Thou,  
In this Thy feast of love be with us now.

### **THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION**

The first time Martin Luther celebrated the Lord's Supper, he trembled so greatly at the thought of holding the literal body and blood of Christ with his own hands, and receiving it into his own body, that he fled from the altar in terror. While we do not recommend that you do so, we do think that Luther was correct to receive it so thoughtfully, and only after much preparation. If you are a guest today and have never communed with us before, please talk with the pastor to find out how you can properly prepare for the sacrament.

**P:** Prayer of thanksgiving

**C: Amen**

**BENEDICTION;**

**C: Amen.**

### **Hymn 283:**

God's Word is our great heritage And shall be ours forever;  
To spread its light from age to age Shall be our chief endeavor.  
Through life it guides our way, In death it is our stay.  
Lord, grant, while worlds endure, We keep its teachings pure  
Throughout all generations.

### **CALENDAR**

**TODAY:** MISSION SUNDAY Thank you for coming to hear the Word. We will have a special video mission evangelism presentation prepared by the CLC's Committee on Domestic Fields following the service. We will meet in the fellowship hall spreading out with families at individual tables to maintain social distancing. The presentation will be about 45 minutes.

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.

WEDNESDAY: Catechism via ZOOM at 4:00 p.m. – 5:30.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Sunday school and the quarterly voter’s meeting are scheduled to follow the service. Sermon text: Matthew 22:1-14.

**Quarterly Voters’ meeting** will follow immediately after the service at 10:30.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: October 11 worship – 14 No Bible Class ; Sunday school - 0

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,250.00	Memorials	
Offerings Received	\$1240.00	Missions	\$50.00
Needed for Year:	\$50,000.00		
Received for Year:	\$44,519.00		

October Church Cleaning - Barthels

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**At the Hospital:** Hazel Egtvedt is at St. Mary’s Hospital in Rochester.

**CLC NEWS:**

**Candidates for Immanuel Professor Call:**

The Board of Regents for Immanuel Lutheran High School, College, and Seminary invites “all pastors, professors, male teachers, and voting members of member congregations of the Church of the Lutheran Confession” (CLC Constitution) to nominate an individual or individuals to fill the vacancy which will be created by the retirement of Professor John Reim at the end of the 2020-21 academic year. The position would require someone seminary trained with the ability to teach primarily music, college Greek, and other potential disciplines commencing with the 2021-22 academic year. The person would serve as the director of the mass and tour choirs, potentially teaching piano and organ. Those

submitting nominations are strongly encouraged to verify that the individual would be willing to be nominated and would need to include information regarding the nominee's educational background and teaching and/or professional experience, also indicating how the person might help our school in technology expertise, extracurricular activities, or administrative positions. Nominations are to be received by email or letter no later than midnight November 20, 2020 (letters postmarked November 10, 2020) to: Mr. James Burkhardt; 217 Windy Lane; Rockwall, TX 75087; email: [jeb6217@yahoo.com](mailto:jeb6217@yahoo.com).