



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: 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. 22 Worship Supplement 2000)

HYMN 550:1-3,5,6,9: **O Splendor of God's Glory Bright**

1 O Splendor of God's glory bright,
Who bringest forth the light from Light;
O Light of light, light's Fountain-spring; O Day, our days enlightening:

2 Come, very Sun of truth and love, Come in Thy radiance from above
And shed the Holy Spirit's ray On all we think or do today.

3 Likewise to Thee our prayers ascend, Father of glory without end,
Father of saving grace, for pow'r To conquer in temptation's hour.

5 Direct and govern heart and mind, With body chaste and disciplined;
Let faith her eager fires renew And hate the false and love the true.

6 On Christ, the true Bread, let us feed, Let Him to us be drink indeed,
And let us taste with joyfulness The Holy Spirit's plenteousness.

9 All praise to God the Father be, All praise, eternal Son, to Thee,
Whom with the Spirit we adore Forever and forevermore.

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: 1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Now concerning spiritual *gifts*, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant: ²You know that you were Gentiles, carried away to these dumb idols, however you were led. ³Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit.

⁴There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. ⁶And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. ⁷But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit *of all*: ⁸for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, ⁹to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, ¹⁰to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another *different* kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills. (NKJV)

THE GOSPEL LESSON: John 2:1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Now both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding. ³ And when they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine."

⁴ Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come."

⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Whatever He says to you, do *it*."

⁶ Now there were set there six waterpots of stone, according to the manner of purification of the Jews, containing twenty or thirty gallons apiece. ⁷ Jesus said to them, "Fill the waterpots with water." And they filled them up to the brim. ⁸ And He said to them, "Draw *some* out now, and take *it* to the master of the feast." And they took *it*. ⁹ When the master of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom. ¹⁰ And he said to him, "Every man at the beginning sets out the good wine, and when the *guests* have well drunk, then the inferior. You have kept the good wine until now!"

¹¹ This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him. (NKJV)

THE APOSTLES CREED (The Lutheran Hymnal p. 12)

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN 23: Hallelujah! Let Praises Ring!

1 Hallelujah! Let praises ring! To God the Father let us bring
Our songs of adoration. To Him thro' everlasting days
Be worship, honor, pow'r, and praise, Whose hand sustains creation.
Singing, ringing: Holy, holy, God is holy,-- Spread the story
Of our God, the Lord of Glory.

2 Hallelujah! Let praises ring! Unto the Lamb of God we sing,
In whom we are elected. He bo't His Church with His own blood,
He cleansed her in that blessed flood, And as His bride selected.
Holy, holy Is our union And communion. His befriending
Gives us joy and peace unending.

3 Hallelujah! Let praises ring! Unto the Holy Ghost we sing
For our regeneration. The saving faith in us He wrought
And us unto the Bridegroom bro't, Made us His chosen nation.
Glory! Glory! Joy eternal, Bliss supernal; There is manna
And an endless, glad hosanna.

4 Hallelujah! Let praises ring! Unto our Triune God we sing;
Blest be His name forever! With angel hosts let us adore
And sing His praises more and more For all His grace and favor!
Singing, ringing: Holy, holy, God is holy, Spread the story
Of our God, the Lord of Glory!

THE SERMON: Isaiah 62:1-5

Theme: Jesus' Glory Revealed in His Church

I. The Glory of Christ's Righteousness Revealed. (v.1-2)

II. The Church Displayed as the Lord's Precious Possession (v.3-5)

SERMON TEXT: Isaiah 62:1-5

For Zion's sake I will not hold My peace,
And for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
Until her righteousness goes forth as brightness,
And her salvation as a lamp *that* burns.

²The Gentiles shall see your righteousness,
And all kings your glory.

You shall be called by a new name,
Which the mouth of the LORD will name.

³You shall also be a crown of glory

In the hand of the LORD,
And a royal diadem In the hand of your God.

⁴You shall no longer be termed Forsaken,
Nor shall your land any more be termed Desolate;
But you shall be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah;
For the LORD delights in you, And your land shall be married.

⁵For *as* a young man marries a virgin,
So shall your sons marry you;

And *as* the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
So shall your God rejoice over you. (NKJV)

PRAYER; THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN 477: Lord Jesus, Thou the Church's Head

1. Lord Jesus, Thou the Church's Head, Thou art her one Foundation;
In Thee she trusts, before Thee bows, And waits for Thy salvation.
Built on this Rock secure, Thy Church shall endure
E'en though the world decay and all things pass away,
Oh, hear, oh, hear us, Jesus!

2. O Lord, let this Thy little flock, Thy name alone confessing,
Continue in Thy loving care, True unity possessing.
Thy Sacraments, O Lord, And Thy saving Word
To us e'er pure retain. Grant that they may remain
Our only strength and comfort.

3. Help us to serve Thee evermore With hearts both pure and lowly;
And may Thy Word, that light divine, Shine on in splendor holy
That we repentance show, In faith ever grow;
The pow'r of sin destroy And all that doth annoy.
Oh make us faithful Christians!

4. And for Thy gospel let us dare To sacrifice all treasure;
Teach us to bear Thy blessed cross, To find in Thee all pleasure.
Oh, grant us steadfastness In joy and distress,
That we Thee ne'er forsake, Let us by grace partake
Of endless joy and glory.

BENEDICTION

C: Amen.

HYMN 50:1-2: Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

1 Lord, dismiss us with Thy blessing;
Fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Let us each, Thy love possessing,
Triumph in redeeming grace.
Oh, refresh us, Oh, refresh us,
Trav'ling through this wilderness!

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

TODAY: Sunday school and Bible class are scheduled to follow the service. Catechism class is scheduled for 11:30.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30. Sunday School and Bible Class is scheduled to follow the service. A pot luck meal will follow after Bible class. The **annual voters meeting** is scheduled for 12:30 p.m. **No Catechism class next Sunday**. Sermon text: 1 Corinthians 12:12-27.

FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER

March 2: **Ash Wednesday** Mid-week Lenten services begin.

SERVING TODAY

Organist: Denise Barthels

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: January 16 worship – 19 Sunday school -- 4

Weekly Offerings Needed	\$ 1,285.00	Other Offerings:
Offerings Received	\$ 6391.13	
Needed for Year:	\$3820.00	
Received for Year:	\$7961.00	

January Church Cleaning: Nelson

CLC NEWS: Prof John Ude has declined the call to be the pastor of Living Savior Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, MN. <> Pastor Luke Bernthal of St. Stephen Lutheran Churches, Mt. View, CA, Stockton, CA, and Hayward, CA, declined the call to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL.

CLC Financial Report - December

CLC Financial Report Operating Funds	Balance 7/1/2021	YTD Revenue	YTD Disbursed	Budget 6 Month	Balance 12/31/2021
General Fund	0	516,057	606,948	630,000	- 90,891
ILC Operations (incl. CLC subsidy)	0	832,240	736,065	723,600	96,175
<u>Auxiliary Funds</u>					
ILC Improvement Fund (IIF) **	124,590	354,552	198,227		280,915
ILC Building Projects **	1,096,716	69,217	9,862		1,156,071
Mission Development Fund (MDF)	132,313	107,518	61,522		178,309
Kinship	182,119	75,536	82,467		175,188
Church Extension Fund (CEF) **	3,527,885	-163,444	1,172,830		2,191,611
Student Aid Fund (SAF) **	133,585	38,929	62,893		109,621
CLC Reserve Fund (YTD gains/losses)	300,222	-38,749	0		261,473
Auxiliary Funds Totals	\$5,497,430	\$443,559	\$1,587,801		\$4,353,188

General Fund – December offerings were \$111,448 **VS** disbursements of \$84,451, a **positive** monthly cash flow of \$27,000, reducing the General Fund indebtedness to -\$90,891. YTD offerings are \$114,000 short of projected needs, while YTD disbursements are \$3,052 under projected expenses for the first half of the fiscal year. The General Fund provides the main subsidy (\$1,260,000) for the operation of our Boards of Missions, Regents, Trustees, and Ed & Publication.

ILC Operations – December revenue was \$144,265 (\$61,667 subsidy & \$81,007 2nd semester student revenue) **VS** disbursements of \$136,750 (wages/benefits \$75,367), a positive monthly cash flow of nearly \$8,000.

IIF – December revenue: \$94,358 (\$93,873 hail insurance receipts) **VS** \$0 disbursed. Realized earnings (dividends & interest) for FY22 YTD are \$2,392.

ILC Building Projects – December offerings: \$815 **VS** \$0 disbursements. December earnings (dividends-interest) were \$5,223, while changes in principal (capital) value were positive \$46,460 due to market movements. Realized earnings for FY22 YTD are \$23,850.

CEF – December revenue: \$42,027 loan repayments & \$520 offerings **VS** disbursements: \$159,878 (\$155,866 Cong final construction loan draw). Realized earnings for FY22 YTD are \$51,225.

MDF – December offerings \$20,344 (\$5,529 special) **VS** disbursements of \$9,623, including \$8,500 for Africa/Asia outreach and \$1,123 for admin expenses.

SAF – December receipts: \$4,800 (SAF loan repayments & gifts) **VS** \$19,239 disbursed (\$18,275 student grants & loans, & scholarships; \$964 admin expenses. SA Endowment realized earnings for FY22 YTD are: SAF: \$30,007; PMP: \$36,884; Scholarship Fund: \$2,436.

Kinship – December: Received: \$12,828 offerings & sponsors **VS** disbursed: \$10,595 (\$10,000, disaster relief, \$595 gifts/orphans/students/widows).

****** Fluctuations up & down in the revenue column above for the ILC Building Projects, IIF, CEF, SAF, & Reserve Fund are partially due to gains & losses in their respective portfolio values due to market fluctuations from month to month. These are reported to help explain the changes in the fund balances, which of course also reflect disbursements from the funds. The earnings (interest & dividends) are real, constant, & cumulative each month, as are our other blessings from the Lord!

James E. Sandeen, CLC Treasurer

Thomas J. Lentz, Chairman, CLC Board of Trustees