

# **ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

– CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION –  
LAKEWOOD, COLORADO



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## **ORDER OF WORSHIP: SERVICE OF THE WORD**

*(printed on insert inside front cover of maroon hymnal)*

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 90 (pew bible, p.529)
- ◆ The Hymns: 903, 513, 516 (1-2), 516 (3)
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Luke 19:11-27
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: From Psalm 9

**Sermon Text – Jeremiah 26:1-6**

### ***GET READY FOR THE LORD'S RETURN***

*How?*

1. By listening to His Word.
2. By turning away from evil.
3. By laying hold of His forgiveness.

- ◆ Offering of Our Hearts and Gifts
- ◆ Prayer & Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Benediction & Closing Hymn (516, stanza 3)

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**A SPECIAL WELCOME IN CHRIST TO OUR WORSHIP GUESTS.** The members of St. Paul are pleased to meet you and are happy that you are here to worship with us today. We are a congregation committed without reservation to the entire truth of God's Word, the Bible. We have found joy and hope in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We have found moral guidance, a way of life, and the promise of eternal life in the Holy Scriptures. It gives us pleasure to share these blessings with you. Please sign our guest book and come worship with us again!

*Large print bulletins are available by the tract rack  
or by request from an usher*

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

### First Lesson – 2 Thessalonians 1:1-10

1 Paul, Silas and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: 2 Grace and peace to you from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. 3 We ought always to thank God for you, brothers, and rightly so, because your faith is growing more and more, and the love every one of you has for each other is increasing. 4 Therefore, among God's churches we boast about your perseverance and faith in all the persecutions and trials you are enduring. 5 All this is evidence that God's judgment is right, and as a result you will be counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are suffering. 6 God is just: He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you 7 and give relief to you who are troubled, and to us as well. This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. 8 He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. 9 They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power 10 on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed. This includes you, because you believed our testimony to you.

### Psalm of the Day – From Psalm 9

P I will praise you, O LORD, with all my heart:  
C I will tell of all your wonders.  
P I will be glad and rejoice in you;  
C I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.  
P The LORD reigns forever;  
C He has established his throne for judgment.  
P He will judge the world in righteousness:  
C He will govern the peoples with justice.  
P The LORD is a refuge for the oppressed:  
C A stronghold in times of trouble.  
P Those who know your name will trust in you:  
C For you, LORD, have never forsaken those who seek you.  
P Arise, O LORD, let not man triumph:  
C Let the nations be judged in your presence.  
P Strike them with terror, O LORD:  
C Let the nations know they are but men.

### Second Lesson – Luke 19:11-27

11 While they were listening to this, he went on to tell them a parable, because he was near Jerusalem and the people thought that the kingdom of God was going to appear at once. 12 He said: "A man of noble birth went to a distant country to have himself

appointed king and then to return. 13 So he called ten of his servants and gave them ten minas. 'Put this money to work,' he said, 'until I come back.' 14 "But his subjects hated him and sent a delegation after him to say, 'We don't want this man to be our king.' 15 "He was made king, however, and returned home. Then he sent for the servants to whom he had given the money, in order to find out what they had gained with it. 16 The first one came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned ten more.' 17 'Well done, my good servant!' his master replied. 'Because you have been trustworthy in a very small matter, take charge of ten cities.' 18 The second came and said, 'Sir, your mina has earned five more.' 19 His master answered, 'You take charge of five cities.' 20 Then another servant came and said, 'Sir, here is your mina; I have kept it laid away in a piece of cloth. 21 I was afraid of you, because you are a hard man. You take out what you did not put in and reap what you did not sow.' 22 His master replied, 'I will judge you by your own words, you wicked servant! You knew, did you, that I am a hard man, taking out what I did not put in, and reaping what I did not sow? 23 Why then didn't you put my money on deposit, so that when I came back, I could have collected it with interest?' 24 Then he said to those standing by, 'Take his mina away from him and give it to the one who has ten minas.' 25 'Sir,' they said, 'he already has ten!' 26 He replied, 'I tell you that to everyone who has, more will be given, but as for the one who has nothing, even what he has will be taken away. 27 But those enemies of mine who did not want me to be king over them—bring them here and kill them in front of me.'"

#### **Sermon Text – Jeremiah 26:1-6**

1 Early in the reign of Jehoiakim son of Josiah king of Judah, this word came from the LORD: 2 "This is what the LORD says: Stand in the courtyard of the LORD'S house and speak to all the people of the towns of Judah who come to worship in the house of the LORD. Tell them everything I command you; do not omit a word. 3 Perhaps they will listen and each will turn from his evil way. Then I will relent and not bring on them the disaster I was planning because of the evil they have done. 4 Say to them, 'This is what the LORD says: If you do not listen to me and follow my law, which I have set before you, 5 and if you do not listen to the words of my servants the prophets, whom I have sent to you again and again (though you have not listened), 6 then I will make this house like Shiloh and this city an object of cursing among all the nations of the earth.'"

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today (11/10)	8:30 am	Elders' Meeting, 8:30 am
	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Sunday School (Samson, OT 34)
	10:45 am	Bible Class downstairs
Sun (11/17)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Sunday School (Ruth, OT 35)
	10:45 am	Bible Class

**THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP:** Wednesday, Nov.27, 7:00 pm

### **SERVING US AT GOD'S HOUSE DURING NOVEMBER**

- Ushers: Wayne Ruegge, Joshua Ruegge
- Elder: Ed Chiappetti
- Communion Assistant: Larry Reed

### **UPCOMING DECEMBER EVENTS**

- ➔ **Choir Practices:** Sunday, Dec.1,8,15,22, 8:30 am. We will rehearse our songs for the Children's Christmas Eve service on Dec.24.
- ➔ **Christmas Decorating:** Sunday, Dec.1, 11:15 am
- ➔ **Children's Christmas Eve Service practices:** Saturday, Dec.7,14,21, 10:00 am to 11:30 am
- ➔ **Christmas Baskets Preparation & Potluck:** Sunday, Dec.8, 10:45 am
- ➔ **Children's Christmas Eve Service:** Tuesday, Dec.24, 6:30 pm
- ➔ **Christmas Day Worship:** Wednesday, Dec.25, 10:00 am
- ➔ **NY's Eve Communion Service:** Tuesday, Dec.31, 7:00 pm
- ➔ **NY's Eve Gathering at the parsonage:** Tuesday, Dec.31, 8:15 pm

**THE FLOWERS ADORNING THE ALTAR THIS MORNING** were placed there in loving memory of Norbert Martin Janssen by his family members. Norbert was the husband of Willa Mae Janssen and father of Jo Blakey. Norbert's birthday was November 10. He was called by the Lord to his heavenly home on November 24, 2006.

**NEW MEMBER:** Last Sunday, at the Quarterly Voters' Meeting, Carly Meyer was formally received as a communicant member at St. Paul by transfer from our sister CLC church, Living Hope Lutheran, in Appleton, WI. We warmly welcome her into our midst and pray that the Lord may richly bless her through our fellowship together in the Gospel.

**DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR HOME DEVOTIONS**  
**NOVEMBER 11-16**

**Mon Genesis 37:12-28** presents a case-book study of parental favoritism and sibling rivalry—on which Satan capitalized, spreading the seed of jealousy, from which sprouted the evil weed of conspiracy to get rid of little brother. Evidently Joseph’s dreams had made his brothers feel diminished, and they were fed up with it, so they cashed him in for pocket money. We identify with Joseph, the victim, and anticipate God’s grand plans for the little brother.

**Tues Matthew 20:29-34** Do we identify with the blind men? Few of us have been blind, homeless, and beggars—but we share their belief in the Messiah and praise God for revealing Jesus as Son of David and Savior. They needed help and knew help could be found in the heart of Jesus. Jesus had compassion, touched their eyes, and restored their vision. We thank God for opening their eyes and for motivating them to follow Jesus—a good move.

**Wed 2 Corinthians 10:3-6** We admire the Apostle Paul, who had reached maturity and veteran’s status in God’s armed forces, a soldier who would not retire from active duty. Jesus had put into his heart an arsenal powerful enough to pull down strongholds of prejudice and to defuse false theology. God had captivated Paul’s heart and mind—so that he was bold to guide others in their walk with Jesus. Can we identify with that?

**Thurs Isaiah 59:17-21** God put Isaiah in the front lines of spiritual warfare, and as He sets the pace for His army of warriors with superior weaponry, He always defeats His/our adversaries (18). Bottom line: He stands for all time and all history as victorious Lord (19). Then, as He leads the victory parade homeward, He repeats His pledge of allegiance, inspiring His citizens to memorize it and teach it to their children (21). We can identify with that.

**Fri John 15:18-25** Luther learned that faithfulness to Jesus put him in danger and gave him battle scars. But Jesus’ enemies fare much worse, for in rejecting Jesus they are fighting against God the Father; they have no excuse for their animosity, because Jesus has done them no wrong (25). Note: exposing sin is a blessing—for diagnosis is the first step to treatment, and treatment is a step toward control or cure. Can we identify with that?

**Sat Acts 4:23-31** Christians all over the world are facing what Peter, John, and Luther faced: court trials, intimidations, and bodily injury – before being let go to reunite with friends and bolster one another in refusing to be intimidated (23-24). Miracles may follow, as conversion is also God’s miracle, and so is speaking the Word of God with boldness. Thou highest Comfort in ev’ry need, Grant that neither shame nor death we heed, That e’en then our courage may never fail us When the Foe shall accuse and assail us. Lord, have mercy! (TLH 231:4) Amen.