


ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

– CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION –
LAKEWOOD, COLORADO



Everyone who
calls on the
name of the
Lord
shall be saved.

Romans 10:13

**MISSION FESTIVAL SUNDAY
OCTOBER 11, 2020**

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ORDER OF WORSHIP: SERVICE OF THE WORD

(printed on insert inside front cover of maroon hymnal)

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 92 (pew bible, p.91)
- ◆ The Hymns: 819, 828, 826, 923
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: Isaiah 62:1-6, Romans 10:10-17
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: From Psalm 96
- ◆ Song by the Children: “Spread the Reign of God the Lord”

Sermon Text – Luke 24:44-53

JESUS MAKES US MISSIONARIES

1. He commissioned us.
2. He instructs us.
3. He enables us and blesses our work.

- ◆ Prayer & Lord’s Prayer
- ◆ Benediction & Closing Hymn (923)

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

*You may contribute an offering for God’s kingdom work by
putting it in the collection plate located in the foyer. There
will be no offering collection during the service.*

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

First Lesson – Isaiah 62:1-6

1 For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her righteousness shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch. 2 The nations will see your righteousness, and all kings your glory; you will be called by a new name that the mouth of the LORD will bestow. 3 You will be a crown of splendor in the LORD'S hand, a royal diadem in the hand of your God. 4 No longer will they call you Deserted, or name your land Desolate. But you will be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah; for the LORD will take delight in you, and your land will be married. 5 As a young man marries a maiden, so will your sons marry you; as a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, so will your God rejoice over you. 6 I have posted watchmen on your walls, O Jerusalem; they will never be silent day or night. You who call on the LORD, give yourselves no rest, 7 and give him no rest till he establishes Jerusalem and makes her the praise of the earth.

Psalm of the Day – From Psalm 96

P Sing to the Lord, praise his name:
C Proclaim his salvation day after day.
P Declare his glory among the nations:
C His marvelous deeds among all peoples.
P Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness:
C Tremble before him, all the earth.
P Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad:
C Let the sea resound, and all that is in it.
P Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them:
C Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy;
P For he comes to judge the the world in righteousness:
C And the peoples in his truth.

Song by the Children

Spread the Reign of God the Lord
(Lutheran Service Book #830, stanzas 1,5,6)

Second Lesson – Romans 10:10-17

10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved 11 As the Scripture says, "Anyone who trusts in him will never be put to shame." 12 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, 13 for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." 14 How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? 15 And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" 16 But not all the Israelites accepted the good news. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has

believed our message?" 17 Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.

Sermon Text – Luke 24:44-53

44 He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms." 45 Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. 46 He told them, "This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." 50 When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. 51 While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. 52 Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. 53 And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.

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A WARM WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS worshiping with us this morning! The members of St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church consider it an honor and privilege to share with you the words of eternal life in Jesus Christ, the world's only Savior. Please sign the guest register in the front entry and come worship with us again!

SERVING US AT GOD'S HOUSE TODAY

- ◆ Organist: Lisa Sprengeler
- ◆ Ushers: Ed Chiappetti, Don Claeys
- ◆ Elder: Larry Reed

THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL

Today (10/11)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Sunday School (Three Men in the Fiery Furnace, OT 55)
	10:45 am	Adult Bible Class (Session 5 of 5 on the Great Commission)
Fri	7:00 pm	Church Movie Night
Sun (10/18)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Sunday School
	10:45 am	Mary/Martha Ladies' Meeting

EXTENDED CALENDAR

- ◆ Fall Clean-Up Day: Saturday, Oct.24 (8:00 am to noon)
- ◆ Quarterly Voters' Meeting: Sunday, Oct.25, 10:45 am
- ◆ Front Range Reformation Festival Service: Sunday, Nov.1, 3:30 pm (hosted by Redeemer, Cheyenne)

MOVIE NIGHT: This Friday at 7:00 pm. In keeping with our mission theme today, we will view a 55 minute video presentation by Pastor/Missionary Todd Ohlmann, which he originally delivered on September 20 at Messiah Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, WI. The video includes pictures and video footage, including audio clips, from our overseas missions. It will provide an up-close view of the soul-saving work being carried on in our name, by the preaching of the Gospel of Christ, supported by our prayers and offerings, in the countries of Liberia, Tanzania, Kenya, India, Nepal, Myanmar, as well as other lands. Come and see!

A Personal Prayer for Missions

Dear Jesus, Lord of the Church, I praise You for the forgiveness of sins and for the peace You have brought to me. Work in my heart an ever-growing desire to take the wonderful news of my Savior to others who are not yet part of Your family. Here am I, send me! Show me ways in which I can be of service to You in the great work of harvesting souls for Your kingdom and bless me with the will and means to carry it out in the way You have chosen, for the eternal benefit of souls and the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

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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.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR HOME DEVOTIONS
OCTOBER 5-10

Mon Ezekiel 18:1-4,25-32 One's sin-guilt cannot be dumped on someone else in the family (à la the proverb), and here God set the record straight (3-4). The fair way to deal with sinners is to hold each accountable for his own sins, repent of them (get a new heart and a new spirit), and escape punishment. God doesn't want anyone to go to hell, and neither do we.

Tues Matthew 21:28-32 This parable/story illustrates how repentance works. Both boys sinned against their father; the first with a rebellious retort, the second by lying. The first regretted his sin and reformed; the second did not regret his lie and did not reform. Same story with many others who faced off with Jesus (31-32). Lord, have mercy on us!

Wed Philippians 2:1-11 In our family and in our congregation, we bond with one another (1-2) by putting our personal interests second to the interests of others (3-4). We live in the shadow of our Savior, who put Himself second to the entire human race in order to square everyone with God (5-8). When He had finished that job, He earned the highest exaltation (9); sooner or later everyone will have to admit His lordship and bow before Him (10-11).

Thurs Psalm 25 has a background: David adulterated, cheated, lied, and murdered, but God had not given up on him (2 Samuel 11). Next, God sent Nathan to confront him, and David repented (2 Samuel 12). That was not the end of his troubles, for his son Absalom turned traitor, and forced David to flee for his life. That's the background; now let's read the psalm again.

Fri Luke 22:61-62 Peter put up a tough front to keep others at a safe distance but he couldn't bear to cold-shoulder Jesus. Why not? Because he felt the love of Jesus drawing him close. That's what brings a wayward child of God back from the brink (doesn't it?) to a tearful reunion with the Son of God, who loves us . . . all the way through His earthly life and into heaven.

Sat Acts 17:16-21 Paul didn't sit on his hands in the capital city, but visited the local synagogue and interfaced with Jews and Gentiles alike, explaining what God had done for humanity. Of course, that meant he presented Jesus' death and resurrection. [In Greek, the word Anastasis (resurrection) sounded sorta like the name Anastasia, and that might mean a new goddess.] Greeks were not only polytheist idolaters, but great thinkers and conversationalists, too, so God took advantage of their human traits as access for Paul and the Holy Spirit to get onto the inside track with them. This will get interesting, so stay tuned.

MISSION THOUGHTS OF MARTIN LUTHER

From *What Luther Says*, by Ewald Plass

A Spirit of Holy Restlessness – When a Christian begins to know Christ by faith as his Savior who has redeemed him from death and brought him into His kingdom of grace, his heart is thoroughly permeated by God. Then he would like to help everyone to enjoy this same blessedness. For he has no greater joy than the treasured knowledge of Christ. So he begins to teach and exhort others, confesses and commends his blessedness before everyone, and sighs and prays that they, too, may come to this grace. He has a restless spirit while enjoying the supreme rest of God's gracious forgiving love. Therefore he cannot be quiet or idle but is forever struggling and striving with all his powers, as one living only to spread God's honor and praise farther among men, to cause others also to receive this spirit of grace and through it also to help them pray.

Go, Tell Others – After we have learned to know God in His Son and have received the forgiveness of sins and the Holy Spirit who endues hearts with joy and with the peace of soul by which we look with contempt on sin and death, what remains to be done? Go, and do not be silent. You are not the only one to be saved. The remaining multitude of men should also be preserved.

We Still Live To Save Others – We live on earth for no other purpose than to be helpful to others. Otherwise it would be best for God to take away our breath and let us die as soon as we are baptized and have begun to believe. But He lets us live here in order that we may lead others to believe, doing for them what He has done for us.

Begin at Home – The noblest and greatest work and the most important service we can perform for God on earth is bringing others, especially those near and dear to us in the family circle, to a saving knowledge of Christ by the holy Gospel.