

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)

Serving Us At God's House Today

Organist: Lisa Sprengeler – Ushers: Bob Rankin, Wayne Ruegge

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 30 (pew bible, p.494)
- ◆ The Hymns: 811, 702, 790 (1-4), 790 (5)
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: 1 Kings 17:17-24, Galatians 1:11-24
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: From Psalm 118
- ◆ Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (*liturgy insert, p.15*)

Sermon Text – Luke 7:11-17

What a Difference a Touch Can Make!

1. The tender touch of our compassionate Savior.
2. The life-giving touch of our almighty Savior.

- ◆ Offering of Thankful Hearts
- ◆ Prayer & Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Benediction / Closing Hymn (790, stanza 5)

Today's Scriptures

First Lesson – 1 Kings 17:17-24

17 Some time later the son of the woman who owned the house became ill. He grew worse and worse, and finally stopped breathing. 18 She said to Elijah, "What do you have against me, man of God? Did you come to remind me of my sin and kill my son?" 19 "Give me your son," Elijah replied. He took him from her arms, carried him to the upper room where he was staying, and laid him on his bed. 20 Then he cried out to the LORD, "O LORD my God, have you brought tragedy also upon this widow I am staying with, by causing her son to die?" 21 Then he stretched himself out on the boy three times and cried to the LORD, "O LORD my God, let this boy's life return to him!" 22 The LORD heard Elijah's cry, and the boy's life returned to him, and he lived. 23 Elijah picked up the child and carried him down from the room into the house. He gave him to his mother and said, "Look, your son is alive!" 24 Then the woman said to Elijah, "Now I know that you are a man of God and that the word of the LORD from your mouth is the truth."

Psalm of the Day – From Psalm 118

P Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good:

C His love endures forever.

P In my anguish I cried to the LORD:

C And he answered by setting me free.

P It is better to take refuge in the LORD:

C Than to trust in man.

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C Than to trust in princes.

P I was pushed back and about to fall:

C But the LORD helped me.

P The LORD'S right hand is lifted high:

C The LORD'S right hand has done mighty things!

P I will not die but live:

C And will proclaim what the LORD has done.

P I will give you thanks, for you answered me:

C You have become my salvation.

Second Lesson – Galatians 1:11-24

11 I want you to know, brothers, that the gospel I preached is not something that man made up. 12 I did not receive it from any man, nor was I taught it; rather, I received it by revelation from Jesus Christ. 13 For you have heard of my previous way of life in Judaism, how intensely I persecuted the church of God and tried to destroy it. 14 I was advancing in Judaism beyond many Jews of my own age and was extremely zealous for the traditions of my fathers. 15 But when God, who set me apart from birth and called me by his grace, was pleased 16 to reveal his Son in me so that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not consult any man, 17 nor did I go up to Jerusalem to see those who were apostles before I was, but I went immediately into Arabia and later returned to Damascus. 18 Then after three years, I went up to Jerusalem to get acquainted with Peter and stayed with him fifteen days. 19 I saw none of the other apostles—only James, the Lord’s brother. 20 I assure you before God that what I am writing you is no lie. 21 Later I went to Syria and Cilicia. 22 I was personally unknown to the churches of Judea that are in Christ. 23 They only heard the report: “The man who formerly persecuted us is now preaching the faith he once tried to destroy.” 24 And they praised God because of me.

Sermon Text – Luke 7:11-17

11 Soon afterward, Jesus went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went along with him. 12 As he approached the town gate, a dead person was being carried out—the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the town was with her. 13 When the Lord saw her, his heart went out to her and he said, “Don’t cry.” 14 Then he went up and touched the coffin, and those carrying it stood still. He said, “Young man, I say to you, get up!” 15 The dead man sat up and began to talk, and Jesus gave him back to his mother. 16 They were all filled with awe and praised God. “A great prophet has appeared among us,” they said. “God has come to help his people.” 17 This news about Jesus spread throughout Judea and the surrounding country.

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A Warm Welcome To Our Worship Guests. The members of St. Paul are pleased to meet you and glad that you are here to worship with us today. We are a congregation committed without reservations to the entire Truth of God's Word, the Bible. We have found joy and hope in the Gospel of Christ. We have found moral guidance, a way of life, and the promise of eternal life in the Scriptures. It gives us pleasure to share these blessings with you. We invite you to sign our guest book and to come worship with us again!

This Week at St. Paul

Today (6/19) 9:30 am Worship Service
Sun (6/26) 9:30 am Worship Service

Upcoming Events

Questions & Answers on the Catechism: Sunday, July 10
Summer Clean-Up Day: Saturday, July 16 (8 to noon)
Confirmation Sunday: Sunday, July 24

Scheduled Meetings this Summer

Church Council: Sunday, July 10, 8:30 am
Mary/Martha Ladies: Sunday, July 17, 10:45 am
Quarterly Voters: Sunday, July 24, 10:45 am
Elders: Sunday, August 7, 8:30 am

CLC Convention: This week at Eau Claire WI (*see note below*)

Pastor Schuetze will be out to town from June 21–July 5 attending the Convention and spending time with family in Minnesota. In an emergency you may reach him at 720-465-4809 or through an elder. (The next two Sundays lay services will be conducted at St. Paul by Ed Chiappetti and Wayne and Joshua Ruegge.)

Note for Our Communicants: Lord's Supper will be celebrated two times in July, on the second and fourth Sundays (July 10 & 24). There will be no communion on July 3.

Lutheran Spokesman Annual Renewal: St. Paul's congregational bulk group subscription to the *Lutheran Spokesman* expires with the June 2022 issue. If you are currently not a subscriber and would like to be, please inform the pastor so he may add your name to the list. (If you no longer wish to receive the *Spokesman* let him know this as well.) The annual subscription cost for 12 monthly issues is \$14. Subscribers may defray the cost to the congregation by placing an offering in the Sunday collection earmarked for "Spokesman."

35th CLC Delegates Convention



- When: This week Thursday through Sunday, June 23-26
- Where: The campus of Immanuel Lutheran College, Eau Claire WI
- Representing St. Paul: Don Claeys and Pastor Schuetze. Don will serve on Floor Committee #1 (President's Report / Board of Education & Publications). Pastor Schuetze will serve on Floor Committee #2 (Immanuel Lutheran College). It's not too late to volunteer to serve as St. Paul's *second* lay delegate.
- Convention Theme: "*The Light of the World.*" Two essays will be delivered. One, by Professor Mark Weis titled: *Jesus said: "I am the Light of the World"*; the other, by Pastor Cory Drehle titled: *Jesus said: "You are the Light of the World."*
- Convention sessions and essay presentations will be live streamed on the ILC YouTube page: www.YouTube.com/ilcvideos. The Convention schedule is on page 8 of the *2022 Prospectus*, which can be downloaded at tinyurl.com/CLC-Prop-2022 (hard copies available from the pastor). This will include the **Convention Memorial Service**, which will be held at ILC on Saturday, June 25 at 8:00 am Mountain Time. The Memorial Service is an opportunity for the church body to give thanks for the called servants of the CLC and their spouses who have entered eternal rest during the past year. This year the CLC gives thanks to the Lord for His gifts to His Church: Waldemar ("Wally") Karnitz, Paul Sullivan, Joanne Johannes, Richard Kuehne, Ivan Zarling, Rick Grams, and Anne Koch.
- **The Convention Communion Service** will take place at Messiah, Eau Claire on Saturday, June 25 at 5:30 pm Mountain Time. This service can be viewed online by clicking the "Live Stream" button at www.eauclairemessiah.com.
- A video titled "*How Does Convention Work?*" was produced a few years ago by Board of Education member Rick Nelson, narrated by Pastor Luke Bernthal and others. You can watch it by logging in to the CLC Website (clclutheran.org), scrolling down, and clicking on the Vimeo "Convention" video (running time, 14 minutes).

Other CLC News

- Redeemer Lutheran Church of Bowdle, SD, and Zion Lutheran Church of Ipswich, SD, will install their new resident pastor, Zachary Sippert, on Sunday, July 10, at Redeemer in Bowdle. Zachary is a 2022 graduate of Immanuel Lutheran Seminary.
- “On the morning of June 9, 2021, the Lord Jesus in His eternal mercy called our brother in Christ, Rev. Rick Grams, to join Him in the gift He obtained for him through His work of redemption, the gift of eternal life. Rick’s memorial service was held last Tuesday, June 14, at Grace Lutheran, Fridley MN. He served in various CLC congregations following his graduation from Immanuel Lutheran Seminary in 1982, including St. Paul’s Lutheran, Winner SD; Trinity Lutheran, Pierre SD; Salem Lutheran, Eagle Lake MN; Our Redeemer’s Lutheran, Red Wing MN; and Prince of Peace Lutheran, Hecla SD. *“For to this end Christ died and rose and lived again, that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Romans 14:9.”* Correspondence can be sent to: Gloria Grams, 455 4th Ave S., South St. Paul, MN 55075, 72grandma75@gmail.com
- “The victory service for Anne Koch (wife of retired ILC professor, Paul Koch), who went home to her Good Shepherd on June 13, will be held on Wednesday, June 22, at Messiah, Eau Claire. The service will also be available via live streaming; click on the “Live Stream” button at www.eauclairemessiah.com. Correspondence can be sent to: Prof. Paul Koch, 3425 Morgan Ave., Eau Claire, WI 54701 or Parekoak@aol.com. *“Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of His saints” (Ps.116:15)*

Women’s Retreat Information

Ladies, mark your calendars! Coming up this Fall: a weekend of Bible study, interviews, personal narratives, and special presentations by *Missionary Todd Ohlmann*, at the 17th (almost annual) Women’s Retreat West to be held September 16-19, 2022 at Chadron State Park, Chadron NE.

Searching Scripture for those who never saw it coming and unexpected events NOT typically on a to-do list, we will explore ways to include mission work in our daily lives without expanding our to-do lists.

- ➔ Cost: \$125 (includes 2 nights lodging and 5 meals – park entrance fee not included)
- ➔ Registration forms: in the tract rack (help yourself)
- ➔ Deadline for registering: August 16, 2022 (non-refundable after this date)
- ➔ Questions? Send inquiries to: WomensRetreatWest@gmail.com

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions; June 20-25, '22

Mon Luke 8:26-33 Jesus has just shown His power over the storm on the sea of Galilee, and now confronts demons in the country of the Gerasenes on the other side of the lake. Surprise! The demons here recognize Jesus at once, and ask Him to leave them alone until judgment day. Jesus has power over the powerful demons and permits them to enter a herd of pigs, where they reveal their true nature. They are killers! He is the Savior!

Tues Luke 8: 34-39 When the townspeople and country-folk come and see the man delivered from demons, they are afraid. Why? When they learned just how the man had been healed, they are even more afraid! Of what are they so afraid? What had the healing of this man cost? Why are people sometimes afraid that Jesus will cost them too much? The healed man wants to come with Jesus, but is left behind to share the good news.

Wed 2 Tim 1:3-7 Writing from prison to younger Pastor Timothy, Paul the apostle remembers his sincere faith and urges him to fan into flame the gift of God which he has been given, not a fearful spirit, but one of power and love and self-control.

Thurs 2 Tim 1:8-10 The apostle urges Timothy not to be ashamed of the cost (prison) which Paul is paying for the gospel of forgiveness in Christ Jesus, but to be assured by this gospel that Jesus has abolished death and brought to light both life and immortality.

Fri Isa 43:8-11 The Lord, the Savior-God is telling how His people will be rescued from Babylon, and calls on blind Israel as well as the Gentile nations to declare whether they can foretell such things. But God can even use the blind and deaf to testify to His godhead and the fulfillment of His promises. He alone is the Savior!

Sat Isa 43:11-13 The Lord stands alone as the only Helper, the only Savior. His people have seen and experienced this in the past promises, fulfillments, and witnesses that followed (v12), and hence can be just as sure of the future promised deliverance (v13).