

St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church-Blue Point

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 6, 2011

Welcome to St Paul Ev. Lutheran Church!!

Prayer before the Service –Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth the right hand of Thy majesty to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with the Father and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. Amen

Suggested Hymns---901, 577, 589, 658

Psalmody-Psalm 20

P: May the LORD answer you in the day of trouble;

C: May the name of the God of Jacob defend you;

**P: May He send you help from the sanctuary,
And strengthen you out of Zion;**

**C: May He remember all your offerings,
And accept your burnt sacrifice.**

**P: May He grant you according to your heart's desire,
And fulfill all your purpose.**

**C: We will rejoice in your salvation,
And in the name of our God we will set up our banners!**

P: May the LORD fulfill all your petitions.

C: Now I know that the LORD saves His anointed;

**P: He will answer him from His holy heaven
With the saving strength of His right hand.**

**C: Some trust in chariots, and some in horses;
But we will remember the name of the LORD our God.**

**P: They have bowed down and fallen;
But we have risen and stand upright.**

**C: Save, LORD!
May the King answer us when we call.**

ALL: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

Old Testament Lesson-Jeremiah 17:5-10

Thus says the LORD: "Cursed is the man who trusts in man
And makes flesh his strength,

Whose heart departs from the LORD.

For he shall be like a shrub in the desert,

And shall not see when good comes,

But shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness,

In a salt land which is not inhabited.

"Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD,

And whose hope is the LORD.

For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters,

Which spreads out its roots by the river,

And will not fear when heat comes;

But its leaf will be green,

And will not be anxious in the year of drought,

Nor will cease from yielding fruit.

"The heart is deceitful above all things,

And desperately wicked; Who can know it?

I, the LORD, search the heart, I test the mind,

Even to give every man according to his ways,

According to the fruit of his doings.

Epistle Lesson-Colossians 3:12-17

Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus giving thanks to God the Father through Him

Gospel Lesson-Matthew 13:24-30

Another parable He put forth to them, saying: "The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field; "but while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat and went his way. "But when the grain had sprouted and produced a crop, then the tares also appeared. "So the servants of the owner came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then does it have tares?' "He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' The servants said to him, 'You want us then to go and gather them up?' "But he said, 'No, lest when you gather up the tares you also uproot the wheat with them. 'Let both grow together until the harvest, and at the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, "First gather together the tares and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my barn.'""

Sermon

Text: Matthew 13:24-30, 36ff

Theme: Wheat and Tares

I. We Like to measure and vindicate God's Work

II. But God's Work is Hidden, a mystery to us

**III. But the Text tells us that God's work will produce those
who shine forth in eternity**

7th. **Elder's Meeting** will take place at 7:30 PM on Monday, February

LYF Bible Study will take place at 6:30 PM on Wednesday, February 9th.

Ladies Aid will meet at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, February 8th.

St. Peter's Lutheran School is seeking to fill the 7/8th grade teacher/Principal position. For further information please contact Dan Harmeier at (618) 349-6239.

Worship service time survey and Parking Lot surveys-please return these as soon as you are able.

The ALIS PTL Dinner Auction Committee has requested that the high school youth from our four congregations provide child-care during the auction again this year. If you have any high school youth available and willing to help, they are most welcome. I am willing to coordinate the effort, but would like to know in advance who will be helping, so please have them, or your youth counselors, contact me. The Auction is on Sunday, February 20th. The workers need to be ready for instructions by 6 p.m. And on duty from 6:30 to approx. 9:30 p.m.

Blessings,
Vern Spilker

ALIS ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER AUCTION - FEBRUARY 20

Everyone is invited!! The Altamont Lutheran Interparish School's 17th Annual Dinner Auction will be held on Sunday, February 20th in the ALIS gym. A catered meal by Joe's Pizza & Pasta featuring Grilled Chicken Alfredo, Baked Mostaccioli, Buttered Noodles, Garden Salad, Garlic Sticks. Desserts provided by The Cookie Jar, will be served from 4:00 - 6:00 pm. Carry outs are available. The live and silent auction will begin at 6:30 pm kicking-off with a "Specialty Pie Auction" featuring homemade pies by members of the four churches of our ALIS families.

Ticket prices are: Adults \$7.00; 3 yrs. old - 8th grade \$6.00; 2 yrs. and under are free. Tickets are available from ALIS students, the school office, or Annie Guerrettaz. All tickets for the dinner must be purchased in advance. The last day to purchase tickets will be Wed., February 16th.

Auctioneering the event will be Trent Schmid & Dick Francis. Babysitting will be available for 2 yrs. old and up by the four churches LYF members. Anyone who would like to donate an item/s for the auction is encouraged to bring the items to the school early so that they can be displayed for several days or weeks prior to the auction. Items can be brought anytime during school hours. If you are bringing an item the day of the auction, please call Karen Whitt in advance to have it listed at 618-292-3451. Please check the Rocket Review for more information.

This Week at St. Paul Bible Reading

Sunday: Confirmation 3 PM

Monday: Elder's Meeting 7:30 PM

Exodus 25-27

Exodus 28-30

Tuesday: Pastor at Circuit 9:30 AM

Ladies Aid 7:30 PM

Wednesday: Confirmation (8th grade) 5:00 PM

LYF Bible Study 6:30 PM

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday:

Exodus 31-33

Exodus 34-36

Exodus 37-38

Exodus 38-40

Leviticus 1-3