

✠ **St. Paul's Lutheran Church** ✠
Kenesaw, NE

Pastor Paul S. Duffy

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Bible Class/Sunday School 9:00am

Divine Service 10:00am

"With the afflicted, the weak, the unlearned, the ungrateful, no one desires to associate. But God loved all, even His enemies, without making any difference. Therefore, we, too, should love as brothers even those who are not lovable."
- Martin Luther -

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost
November 8, 2015

Service of Prayer and Preaching (Adapted from LSB, p. 260)

Hymn p. 504 "Father Most Holy"

Opening Versicles

P: This is the day which the Lord has made;

C: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: **The name of the Lord is to be praised.**

P: Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

C: **I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

P: Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

C: **Teach me Your paths.**

P: Sanctify us in Your truth.

C: **Your Word is truth.**

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

C: **The name of the Lord is to be praised.**

All: 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.

Psalm 146

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Put not your trust in princes,

in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.

When his breath departs, he returns to the earth;

on that very day his plans perish.

Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob,

whose hope is in the Lord his God,

who made heaven and earth,

the sea, and all that is in them,

who keeps faith forever;

who executes justice for the oppressed,

who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets the prisoners free;

the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

the Lord loves the righteous.

The Lord watches over the sojourners;

He upholds the widow and the fatherless,

but the way of the wicked He brings to ruin.

The Lord will reign forever,

your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!

Old Testament I Kings 17:8-16

Then the word of the Lord came to him (Elijah), "Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you." So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, "Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink." And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, "Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand." And she said, "As the Lord your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die." And Elijah said to her, "Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. For

thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, 'The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the Lord sends rain upon the earth.' " And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah.

Epistle Hebrews 9:24-28

For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer Himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, for then He would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, He has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for Him.

St. Paul's Choir Selection "Revelation Song"

(Stand)

Verse

All: Alleluia. You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you by His poverty might become rich. Alleluia.

P: The holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the twelfth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

Gospel Mark 12:38-44

And in His teaching He said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

And He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. And He called His disciples to Him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this

poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

Responsory

P: Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

P: Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.

C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

P: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

C: Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.

Catechism - Ten Commandments

All: You shall have no other gods.

You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not murder.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Lord's Prayer

Hymn of the Day p. 709 "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

Sermon "The Perfect Law of God"

Offering and Musical Offering

Prayer

P: In peace let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For all those in need, for the hungry and the homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy.

P: Finally, for these, for all our needs of body and soul, and for those people and things we name in our hearts...let us pray to the Lord:

C: Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Collect for the Word

P: Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Morning Prayer

All: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

New Testament Cantic

P: Christ has been raised from the dead!

C: Alleluia. Alleluia.

P: Christ, our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed.

C: Raised from the dead, He will never die again.

P: Death has no more dominion over Him.

C: Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

P: Dying, Christ dies to sin, once for all.

C: Living, He lives to God.

P: Count yourselves as dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

C: Christ has been raised from the dead! Alleluia. Alleluia.

Blessing

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

P: The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the † Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C: Amen.

Closing Hymn p. 740 "I Am Jesus' Little Lamb"



When church service is over, our service begins!

Please remember these people in your prayers -

Pastor Paul Duffy and family

Birthdays:

Nov. 8 Larry Hersch

14 Ryan Denkert; Cody Krous; Paulette Kuehn

In the Service: Austin Applegate, Alec Applegate, Trevor Stickels, Julian Tucker, Hannah Panwitz, Danielle Burr, Darren Woodside

Missionaries: Sharon Owens, Macau, China

Pastor John Reehl, Russia and the Baltics

Operation Christmas Child: Boxes are available in the entry area if you are interested in being a part of this mission ministry.

Information on how to pack your box can be found at

www.samaritanspurse.org **Please return your filled box to the same area by the second week of November.** Thank you.



New Address: Bob Mack, 218 N. Merten ST.,
Ainsworth, NE 69210

Our Expression of Love

November 1, 2015	Attendance 178	
Current Envelope		\$2,590.00
Current Plate		433 .05
Mission Envelope		155.00
Utilities		315.00
Sharon Owens		100.00
Russian Orphanage		45.00
Miscellaneous		<u>30.00</u>
Total		\$3,686.05



About the Cover: God does not measure matters as we do. So the widow lovingly placed her two small copper coins into the treasury of the temple in the confidence that she literally lived from God's sacrificial mercy. She caught our Lord's attention. He saw the truth: her giving outweighed the gifts the rich tossed in God's direction. She gave from her poverty, yet she knew she could not outgive the God of Israel.

A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins

