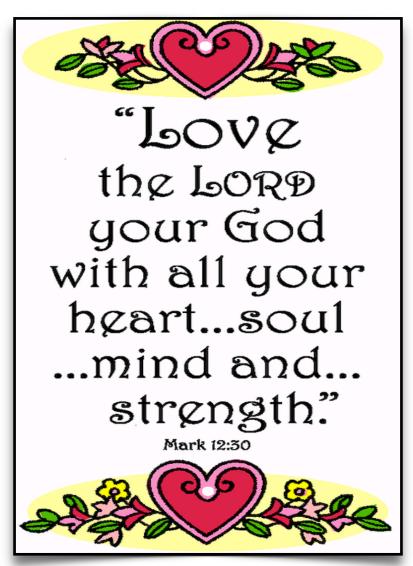
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Church of the Lutheran Confession –
 Lakewood, Colorado



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Order of Worship: Service of Word & Sacrament

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

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 84 (pew bible, p.526)
- ◆ The Hymns: 870, 736, 563, 698
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: Ephesians 4:1-7,11-16; John 6:1-15
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: From Psalm 119
- ◆ Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (liturgy insert, p.15)

Sermon Text - Exodus 24:3-11

"We Will Obey!"

- 1. God demands perfect obedience from us.
- 2. Jesus supplies perfect obedience for us.
- ◆ Prayer & Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Communion Liturgy (liturgy insert, pp.17-21)
- → Benediction & Closing Hymn (698)

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

Today's Scriptures

First Lesson – Ephesians 4:1-7,11-16

1 As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. 2 Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. 3 Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. 4 There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope when you were called — 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism; 6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. 7 But to each one of us grace has been given as Christ apportioned it. | 11 It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, 12 to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up 13 until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ. 14 Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming. 15 Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ. 16 From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

Psalm of the Day - From Psalm 119

- P Teach me, O LORD, to follow your decrees:
- C Then I will keep them to the end.
- P Give me understanding, and I will keep your law:
- C And obey it with all my heart.
- P Direct me in the path of your commands:
- C For there I find delight.
- P Turn my eyes away from worthless things:
- C Preserve my life according to your word.
- P Fulfill your promise to your servant:
- C So that you may be feared.
- P Your statutes are wonderful:
- C Therefore I obey them.
- P The unfolding of your words gives light:
- C It gives understanding to the simple.
- P Direct my footsteps according to your word:
- C Let no sin rule over me.

Second Lesson – John 6:1-15

1 Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), 2 and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the miraculous signs he had performed on the sick. 3 Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. 4 The Jewish Passover Feast was near. 5 When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, "Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?" 6 He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do. 7 Philip answered him, "Eight months' wages would not buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!" 8 Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, spoke up, 9 "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?" 10 Jesus said, "Have the people sit down." There was plenty of grass in that place, and the men sat down, about five thousand of them. 11 Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish. 12 When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, "Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted." 13 So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten. 14 After the people saw the miraculous sign that Jesus did, they began to say, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world. 15 Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

Sermon Text – Exodus 24:3-11

3 When Moses went and told the people all the LORD's words and laws, they responded with one voice, "Everything the LORD has said we will do." 4 Moses then wrote down everything the LORD had said. He got up early the next morning and built an altar at the foot of the mountain and set up twelve stone pillars representing the twelve tribes of Israel. 5 Then he sent young Israelite men, and they offered burnt offerings and sacrificed young bulls as fellowship offerings to the LORD. 6 Moses took half of the blood and put it in bowls, and the other half he sprinkled on the altar. 7 Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read it to the people. They responded, "We will do everything the LORD has said; we will obey." 8 Moses then took the blood, sprinkled it on the people and said, "This is the blood of the covenant that the LORD has made with you in accordance with all these words." 9 Moses and Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, and the seventy elders of Israel went up 10 and saw the God of Israel. Under his feet was something like a pavement made of sapphire, clear as the sky itself. 11 But God did not raise his hand against these leaders of the Israelites; they saw God, and they ate and drank.

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A Warm Welcome in Christ to our Worship Guests. We're glad for the opportunity to share with you the Gospel of forgiveness through Jesus! Please introduce yourself to the pastor and sign our guest book. We invite you to come worship with us again. If you would like to know more about St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church and our national organization, the Church of the Lutheran Confession, please speak with the pastor. He would be happy to call on you to share our confession and mission with you.

Serving Us At God's House Today

Organist: Carly Meyer Ushers: Wayne and Joshua Ruegge Communion Usher: Wayne Ruegge

This Week at St. Paul

Today (8/1)	9:30 am	Worship Service with Holy Communion
	10:45 am	Bible Class (Convention Report)
Wed	6:30 pm	Elders' Meeting (parsonage)
Sun (8/8)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Bible Class

Upcoming Events

- St. Paul Church Dedication 20th Anniversary Service: Sunday, Aug 29, 3:00 pm (see note below)
- West Central Pastoral Conference, Sioux Falls, SD, Sept 7-9
- Women's Retreat West, Chadron State Park, Chadron NE, Sept 17-19

August Birthday Blessings To . . .

Georgia Waters, Aug 2
Doug Tiefel, Aug 2
Bob Rankin, Aug 22
Joseph Cornish, Aug 26
Candy Wamboldt, Aug 9
Bobbie Brethauer, Aug 16
Joyce Wamboldt, Aug 20
Bob Rankin, Aug 22
Joseph Cornish, Aug 26
Judy Garvin, Aug 29
Zachary Ruegge, Aug 30

Anniversary Service: A special service of praise to our God will be conducted at St. Paul on Sunday, August 29, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, with former pastor of St. Paul, Pastor Delwyn Maas of Mapleton ND, serving as guest speaker. A meal will be served afterwards. Former members and friends of the congregation have been invited, with special invitations shared with our brothers and sisters in Christ of Prince of Peace, Loveland, and Redeemer, Cheyenne.

Photo Display: Our ladies are planning to arrange a "photo memories display" for our August 29 anniversary celebration. Parishioners of St. Paul are invited to share photos they may have at home of St. Paul church gatherings/activities from years past for inclusion in this display. If you have photos (hard copies or digital) you would like to share for this purpose, please submit them to Sharlene Chiappetti ASAP.

Christian Questions for Those About to Receive the Lord's Supper

- 1. Do you believe that you are a sinner? Yes, I believe that I am a sinner.
- 2. How do you know this? From the Ten Commandments, which I have not kept.
- 3. Are you sorry for your sins? Yes, I am sorry that I have sinned against God.
- 4. What have you deserved from God because of your sins? I deserve His wrath and displeasure, temporal death, and eternal damnation.
- 5. Do you hope to be saved? Yes, that is my hope.
- 6. In whom, then, do you trust? I trust in my Lord Jesus Christ.
- 7. What has Christ done for you that you trust in Him? He kept the Ten Commandments perfectly for me. Then He died and shed His blood for me on the cross to make atonement for my sins.
- 8. How do you know this? I know this from the holy Gospel and from the words of the Sacrament of Holy Communion.
- 9. What is the Sacrament of Holy Communion? It is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ together with the bread and wine, instituted by Christ for us Christians to eat and to drink.
- 10. Do you believe that the true body and blood of Christ are in the Sacrament? **Yes, I** believe it.
- 11. What moves you to believe this? I am moved to believe this by the words of Christ, "Take and eat. This is My body . . . Drink from it, all of you. This is My blood."
- 12. What blessing do we receive through this eating and drinking? That is shown us by these words, "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." Through these words we receive forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation in this sacrament. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and salvation.

Prayer For Our Communicants

Lord Jesus, who calls to You all who labor and are heavy laden, to refresh them and to give rest to their souls, we pray: let these guests experience Your love at the heavenly feast which You have prepared for Your children on earth. Keep them from impenitence and unbelief, that no one may partake of this holy Sacrament to his judgment. Take off from them the spotted garment of the flesh and of their own righteousness, and adorn them with the garment of the righteousness purchased with Your blood. Strengthen their faith, increase their love and hope. After this life grant them a place at Your heavenly table, where they shall eat of the eternal manna, and drink of the river of Your pleasure forevermore. Hear us for Your own sake. Amen.

