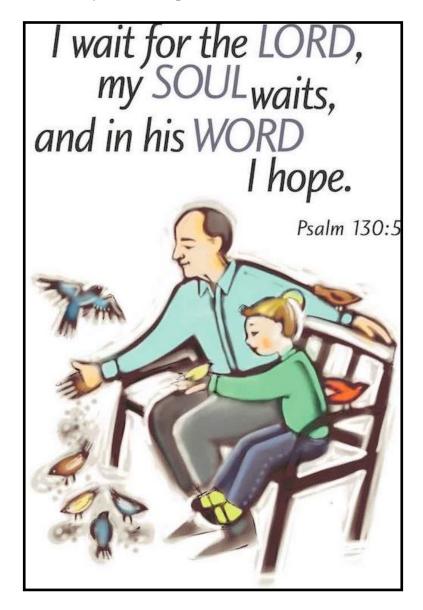
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5th Sunday after Pentecost – June 23, 2024

Order of Worship: Service of the Word

Find today's order of service printed on the liturgy insert tucked inside the front cover of the maroon *Lutheran Service Book* (in the hymnal rack). Large print copies of the order of worship and worship bulletin are on the shelf under the tract rack or speak to an usher who will be happy to share them with you. A warm welcome in Christ to all worshipers!

Serving Us Today

Lay Minister Mike Sprengeler; Organist Jeana Kettner Ushers Mark Hartmeister, Ed Chiappetti

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 27 (pew bible, p.493)
- **♦** The Hymns: 901, 732, 750 (1-6), 750 (7)
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-14; Mark 5:21-24, 35-43
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: Psalm 37
- ◆ Confession of Faith: The Apostles Creed (liturgy insert, p.15)

Sermon Text – Lamentations 3:22-32

Theme: "What is a Christian Waiter?"

- 1. He knows the meaning of Grace.
- 2. He makes the Lord his portion.
 - 3. He humbly endures trials.
- 4. He looks forward to God's deliverance.

(A CLC Ministry-by-Mail Sermon)

- ◆ Offering of Thankful Hearts
- ◆ Prayer & Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Benediction / Closing Hymn (750, stanza 7)

Today's Scriptures

First Lesson – 2 Corinthians 8:1-9, 13-14 Encouragement to Give Generously

1 We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, 2 for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. 3 For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, 4 begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— 5 and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. 6 Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. 7 But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you — see that you excel in this act of grace also. 8 I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. 9 For 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. | 13 For I do not mean that others should be eased and you burdened, but that as a matter of fairness 14 your abundance at the present time should supply their need, so that their abundance may supply your need, that there may be fairness.

Psalm of the Day – From 37

The Heritage of the Righteous and Calamity of the Wicked

- P Fret not yourself because of evildoers:
- C Be not envious of wrongdoers!
- P For they will soon fade like the grass:
- C And wither like the green herb.
- P Delight yourself in the LORD:
- C And he will give you the desires of your heart.

- P Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him:
- C Fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way, over the man who carries out evil devices!
- P For the evildoers shall be cut off:
- C But those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.
- P The salvation of the righteous is from the LORD:
- C He is their stronghold in the time of trouble.
- P He delivers them from the wicked and saves them:
- C Because they take refuge in him.

Second Lesson – Mark 5:21-24, 35-43

Jesus Raises Jairus' Daughter

21 And when Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. 22 Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet 23 and implored him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live." 24 And he went with him. And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. | 35 While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" 36 But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." 37 And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. 38 They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. 39 And when he had entered, he said to them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping." 40 And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. 41 Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." 42 And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. 43 And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

22 It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. 23 They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness. 24 The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him. 25 The Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him. 26 It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the Lord. 27 It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. 28 He sitteth alone and keepeth silence, because he hath borne it upon him. 29 He putteth his mouth in the dust; if so be there may be hope. 30 He giveth his cheek to him that smiteth him: he is filled full with reproach. 31 For the Lord will not cast off for ever: 32 But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies. [KJV]

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A Warm Welcome in Christ to our Worship Guests! We are 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 will be happy to call on you to share our confession and mission with you.

This Week at St. Paul

Today (6/23)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee / Fellowship Time (downstairs)
Sun (6/30)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:30 am	Coffee / Fellowship Time

Church Meetings Scheduled in July

Mary/Martha Ladies: Sunday, July 14, 10:45 am Church Council: Sunday, July 21, 8:30 am Quarterly Voters: Sunday, July 28, 10:45 am

Summer Clean-Up Day: Saturday, July 6, 8:00 to Noon

Young Adults Bible Study: Efforts are underway to begin a midweek Bible study for young adult members and friends of St. Paul (on a monthly basis initially). The first session is planned for <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>July 16</u>, in a reserved room of the Douglas County Library in Castle Pines. The reservation is for 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm. For the first meeting the plan is to share ideas for specific topics or sections of Scripture to study in coming months. If you have questions speak to Derek Barthels or the pastor.

Women's Retreat: The CLC Women's Retreat West will be holding a retreat this fall with the theme "*Be Encouraged*." The dates are Friday - Sunday, September 13-15 at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Bismarck, ND. Sign-up deadline is August 13, 2024. Retreat & sign-up info can be found on the bulletin board in the back of the church.

Pastor Schuetze is out of town attending the CLC Convention in Wisconsin and visiting family in Minnesota. Our thanks to Mike Sprengeler for conducting the service in his absence.