

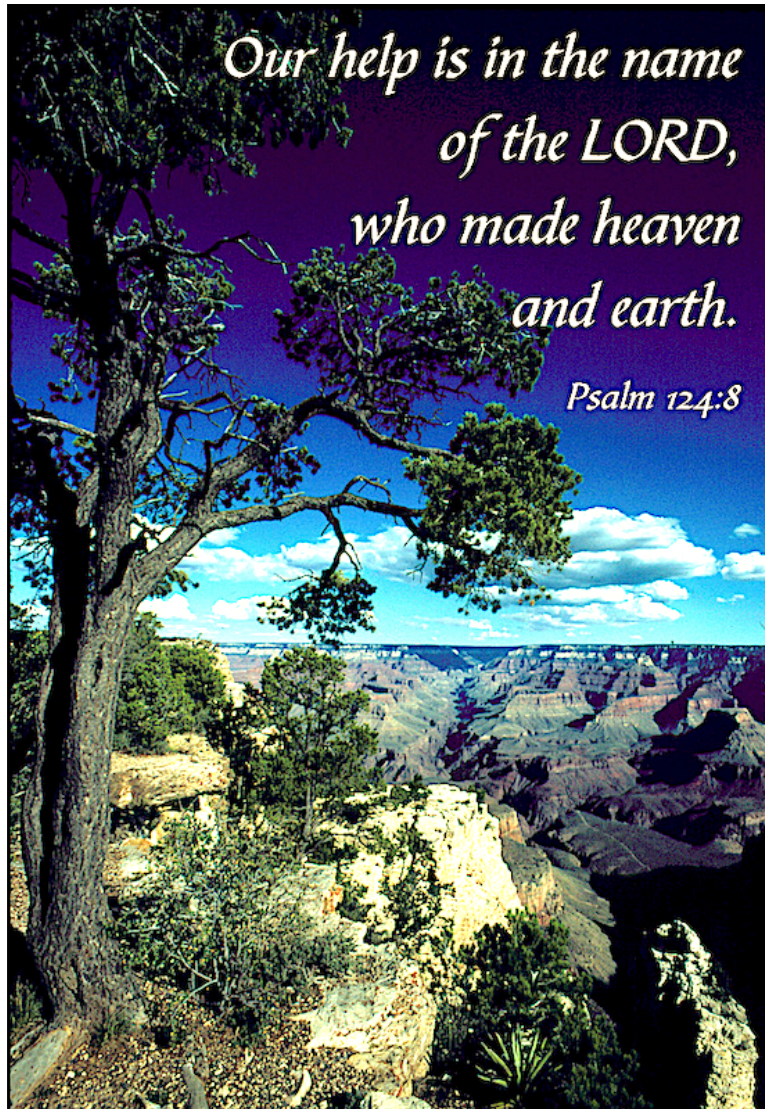
# **St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, July 13, 2025**

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

**Today's Order of Worship** is "Divine Worship Setting 2" as printed in the liturgy pamphlet distributed by the ushers. This service is based on pages 5-14 in *The Lutheran Hymnal*. Please leave your copy of the liturgy pamphlet in the pew after the service concludes, or drop it into the designated box in the foyer so that it may be used in future services. Thank you.

### **Liturgical Notes for the Season of Pentecost**

After reliving the great events of the life of Christ in the "festival half" of the church year (December-June), the worshipping Church spends the remainder of the church year (June-November) focusing on the teachings of Christ ("non-festival half"). The liturgical paraments up front are green in color to remind us that the Holy Spirit uses those teachings of Jesus to help us to grow in our faith. Appointed lessons during this time cover a great body of doctrine for our faith and life as God's people. This year – in upcoming weeks – we plan to review in the sermons God's will for our lives as summarized in the Ten Commandments. Today's topic: The Second Commandment.



Names of the Lord Found in the Bible

Serving Us Today  
Organist Suzannah Miller  
Ushers Bob Rankin, Mark Hartmeister

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 5 (pew bible, page 482)
- ◆ Today's Hymns: 907, 947 (1), 581, 524, 707
- ◆ Responsive Reading: Psalm 20
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: 1 Samuel 17:33-37, 40-51; Luke 11:1-13

### **Sermon**



**Text – Exodus 3:13-15**

**Theme – The LORD's Name Is  
Exceedingly Wonderful!**

1. May we keep in mind its precious meaning!
2. May we use only in ways that honor Him!

*(review of the Second Commandment)*

*The Scripture Lessons, Psalm of the Day, and  
Sermon Text are printed on the following pages.*

## Today's Scriptures

### Responsive Reading from Psalm 20

*(read responsively after the Confession of Sins and Words of Absolution)*

*Trust in the Name of the Lord Our God*

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:

C **And strengthen you out of Zion.**

P May He grant you according to your heart's desire:

C **And fulfill all your purpose.**

P We will rejoice in your salvation:

C **And in the name of our God we will set up our banners!**

P Now I know that the LORD saves His anointed; He will answer him from His holy heaven:

C **With the saving strength of His right hand.**

P Some trust in chariots, and some in horses:

C **But we will remember the name of the LORD our God.**

P They have bowed down and fallen:

C **But we have risen and stand upright.**

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### First Lesson – 1 Samuel 17:34-37, 40-51

*David and Goliath*

34 But David said to Saul, “Your servant used to keep his father’s sheep, and when a lion or a bear came and took a lamb out of the flock, 35 I went out after it and struck it, and delivered the lamb from its mouth; and when it arose against me, I caught it by its beard, and struck and killed it. 36 Your servant has killed both lion and bear; and this uncircumcised Philistine will be like one of them, seeing he has defied the armies

of the living God.” 37 Moreover David said, “The LORD, who delivered me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, He will deliver me from the hand of this Philistine.” And Saul said to David, “Go, and the LORD be with you!” | 40 Then he took his staff in his hand; and he chose for himself five smooth stones from the brook, and put them in a shepherd’s bag, in a pouch which he had, and his sling was in his hand. And he drew near to the Philistine. 41 So the Philistine came, and began drawing near to David, and the man who bore the shield went before him. 42 And when the Philistine looked about and saw David, he disdained him; for he was only a youth, ruddy and good-looking. 43 So the Philistine said to David, “Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?” And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. 44 And the Philistine said to David, “Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and the beasts of the field!” 45 Then David said to the Philistine, “You come to me with a sword, with a spear, and with a javelin. **But I come to you in the name of the LORD of hosts**, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. 46 This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you and take your head from you. And this day I will give the carcasses of the camp of the Philistines to the birds of the air and the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. 47 Then all this assembly shall know that the LORD does not save with sword and spear; for the battle is the LORD’S, and He will give you into our hands.” 48 So it was, when the Philistine arose and came and drew near to meet David, that David hurried and ran toward the army to meet the Philistine. 49 Then David put his hand in his bag and took out a stone; and he slung it and struck the Philistine in his forehead, so that the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell on his face to the earth. 50 So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, and struck the Philistine and killed him. But there was no sword in the hand of David. 51 Therefore David ran and stood over the Philistine, took his sword and drew it out of its sheath and killed him, and cut off his head with it.

## **Second Lesson – Luke 11:1-13**

### *The Lord's Prayer / Keep Asking, Seeking, Knocking*

1 Now it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, that one of His disciples said to Him, “Lord, teach us to pray, as John also taught his disciples.” 2 So He said to them, “When you pray, say: Our Father in heaven, **hallowed be Your name**. Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in

heaven. 3 Give us day by day our daily bread. 4 And forgive us our sins, for we also forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.” 5 And He said to them, “Which of you shall have a friend, and go to him at midnight and say to him, ‘Friend, lend me three loaves; 6 for a friend of mine has come to me on his journey, and I have nothing to set before him’; 7 and he will answer from within and say, “Do not trouble me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give to you’? 8 I say to you, though he will not rise and give to him because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence he will rise and give him as many as he needs. 9 “So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 10 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. 11 If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? 12 Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? 13 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!”

### Sermon Text – Exodus 3:13-15

#### *Moses at the Burning Bush*

3 Then Moses said to God, "Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they say to me, 'What is His name?' what shall I say to them?" 14 And God said to Moses, **"I AM WHO I AM."** And He said, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'" 15 Moreover God said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: **‘The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial to all generations.’"**

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### **This Week at St. Paul**

Today (7/13)	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Mary/Martha Ladies Meeting
Sun (7/20)	8:30 am	Church Council Meeting
	9:30 am	Worship Service
	10:45 am	Coffee / Fellowship Time

**Quarterly Voters Meeting:** Sunday July 27, starting at 10:45 am.

**In Our Prayers:** All those who lives have been adversely affected by the recent flood disasters in Texas and New Mexico.

### **Synod News & Notes**

- The Lord graciously delivered the soul of retired CLC pastor Dale Redlin from the suffering and pain of this world to Himself in heaven on July 9. A victory service will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mankato MN, on August 2. *Revelation 14:13 Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on." "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them."*
- Erin Franson has accepted the call to serve as the female Mentor at Immanuel Lutheran High School and College.
- CLC Women's West Retreat in Sioux Falls, SD, September 19-21, 2025. For information visit: [womensretreat.clclutheran.net/](http://womensretreat.clclutheran.net/).
- CLC ManUp Retreat at Wyalusing State Park near Prairie du Chien, WI, September 25-28, 2025. For information visit: [manup.clclutheran.org/](http://manup.clclutheran.org/).



### **The Second Commandment**

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

#### **What does this mean?**

We should fear and love God, that we do not use His name to curse, swear, practice witchcraft, lie or deceive; but we should call upon His name in every trouble, pray, praise, and give thanks.

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### **The First Petition**

Hallowed be Thy name.

#### *What does this mean?*

God's name is certainly holy by itself, but we pray in this petition that we too may keep it holy.

#### *How is God's name kept holy?*

God's name is kept holy when the Word of God is taught in its truth and purity, and we as children of God also lead a holy life according to it. Help us do this, dear heavenly Father. But whoever teaches and lives contrary to the Word of God dishonors God's name among us. Keep us from doing this, heavenly Father.

## Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

### July 14-19

**Mon Matthew 5:28-30** Righteousness that exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees comes from the heart (v28). It is the heart which controls the eye, hand, etc., and it is the Lord who speaks to the heart.

**Tues Acts 4:1-22** After the healing of the lame man, Peter and John are speaking to the people about Jesus. When the Sadducees approach, it becomes a question of “listen to you” or “listen to God” (v19).

**Wed Joshua 24:14-28** As Joshua approaches the end of his work, he urges the people to continue serving the true God and no other. They respond positively and the covenant with God is reaffirmed at Shechem.

**Thurs Psalm 103:1-5** David urges us to “bless the Lord,” praising Him for such personal gifts as forgiveness, healing, redemption, mercy, compassion, goodness, and renewed energy throughout our life.

**Fri Psalm 103:6-18** Even from the days of Moses, the Lord’s forgiving mercy has been shown to His people. Our lives on this earth are short (v15-16), but the Lord’s mercy lives from eternity to eternity.

**Sat Psalm 103:19-22** The Lord’s heavenly throne and royal power call for praise from His messengers, from His host of servants, from everything that He has made, yes, also from my own spirit and life!