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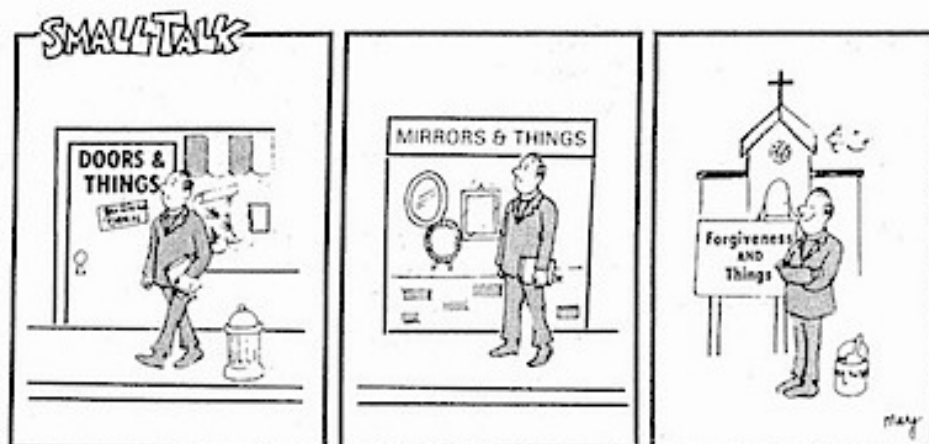
7th Sunday after Pentecost – July 27, 2025

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.

Today's Order of Worship is "Divine Worship Setting 1," as printed in the liturgy pamphlet distributed by the ushers. The service is based on pages 12-21 in *Worship Supplement 2000* (tan 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

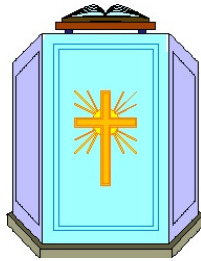
After reliving the great events of the life of Christ in the "festival half" of the church year (December-June), the worshipping Church spends the remainder of the church year (June-November) focusing on the teachings of Christ ("non-festival half"). The liturgical paraments up front are green in color as a reminder 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 we are reviewing in sermons God's will for our lives as summarized in the Ten Commandments. Today's subject: The Third Commandment.



Serving Us Today
Organist Carly Mess
Ushers Bob Rankin, Mark Hartmeister

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 122 (pew bible, page 550)
- ◆ Today's Hymns: 906, 645, 580, 718
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: Psalm 116
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: Hebrews 10:19-25; Matthew 11:20-29

Sermon



Text – Matthew 9:35-36

Theme – "*Rest for the Weary*"

(review of the Third Commandment)

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

Today's Scriptures

First Lesson – Hebrews 10:19-25

Hold Fast the Confession of Your Hope

19 Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, 20 by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, 21 and having a High Priest over the house of God, 22 let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. 23 Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, 25 not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

Psalm of the Day – Psalm 116

Praise the Lord Who Provides Rest for Our Souls

P I love the LORD:
C **Because He has heard my voice and my supplications.**
P Because He has inclined His ear to me:
C **Therefore I will call upon Him as long as I live.**
P The LORD preserves the simple:
C **I was brought low, and He saved me.**
P **Return to your rest, O my soul:**
C **For the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.**
P What shall I render to the LORD:
C **For all His benefits toward me?**
P I will take up the cup of salvation:
C **And call upon the name of the LORD.**
P I will pay my vows to the LORD:
C **Now in the presence of all His people.**
P In the courts of the LORD'S house:
C **Praise the LORD!**

Second Lesson – Matthew 11:20-29

Come to Me, and I Will Give You Rest

20 Then He began to rebuke the cities in which most of His mighty works had been done, because they did not repent: 21 “Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works which were done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. 22 But I say to you, it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon in the day of judgment than for you. 23 And you, Capernaum, who are exalted to heaven, will be brought down to Hades; for if the mighty works which were done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. 24 But I say to you that it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment than for you.” 25 At that time Jesus answered and said, “I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and have revealed them to babes. 26 Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight. 27 All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father. Nor does anyone know the Father except the Son, and the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him. 28 **Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.** 29 Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Sermon Text – Matthew 9:35-36

The Compassion of Jesus

35 Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people. 36 But when He saw the multitudes, **He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary** and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd.

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This Week at St. Paul

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| Today (7/27) | 9:30 am | Worship Service |
| | 10:45 am | Quarterly Voters Meeting |
| Sun (8/3) | 9:30 am | Worship Service with Holy Communion |
| | 10:45 am | Coffee / Fellowship Time |

Invitation: The family of Sylvia Sprengeler, mother of Mike Sprengeler, invites parishioners of St. Paul to join them in a birthday celebration commemorating 90 years of God's grace to Sylvia, on Saturday, August 16, in Cheyenne. See poster on the bulletin board in the foyer for details regarding this event.

Reminder: Our congregational bulk mail subscription for the *Lutheran Spokesman* and *Daily Rest* was renewed recently. If you would like to give a donation to cover the cost for your subscription(s), place an offering in the collection earmarked "Daily Rest" and/or "Lutheran Spokesman" or you can mail your offering to the church. Annual subscription costs for these two publications are \$20 and \$15, respectively. Thank you.

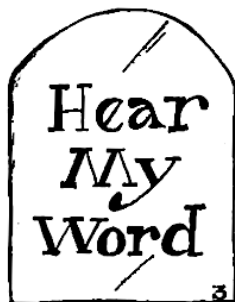
Available in the Foyer: Hard copies of 1) The July CLC World Missions Prayer List, provided by Missionary Todd Ohlmann. You may also view it at: missionaryohlmann.blogspot.com. 2) CLC Financial Report for June

Synod News & Notes

Great Gifts Currently in the Pipeline. Thanks be to God for encouraging news from Immanuel College! This fall, over thirty students are expected to enroll—fifteen in the pre-theology program and eleven preparing to teach. God willing, it appears that our fellowship could see a steady stream of new pastors and teachers in the coming years. This is a vital blessing as the Lord continues to provide undershepherds for His flock. *"He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds."* – Psalm 147:3

Women's Retreats: Registration is open for this year's Women's Retreat West, to be held in Sioux Falls from September 19-21. The theme this year is *"Pieces of Jesus' Peace"*. To register, login to womensretreat.clclutheran.net, click on WEST, and fill out the form. If you would rather register over email or have any questions, reach out to womensretreatwest@gmail.com. <> Immanuel Lutheran Church, Mankato MN, invites women of sister CLC congregations to a one day retreat on Saturday, October 25, from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. The theme for the retreat is *"Finding our True Identity as a Reflection of Christ's Image."* Presentations will include our Identity in Christ, our Identity Reflected to the world, and Confidence in our Identity. Childcare will be available. To register go to <https://tinyurl.com/3jp5ax8y>. The cost is \$20 if you register before September 24 and is free for girls under 19. Contact Jen Theneman (507-340-1640 / jtheneman@live.com) with any questions.

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The Third Commandment

Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy.

What does this mean?

We should fear and love God that we do not despise His Word and the preaching of it, but we should regard God's Word as holy and gladly hear and learn it.

Father of mercies, in Thy Word what endless glory shines!
Forever be Thy name adored for these celestial lines.

Here springs of consolation rise to cheer the fainting mind,
And thirsting souls receive supplies and sweet refreshment find.

Here the Redeemer's welcome voice
spreads heavenly peace around,
and life and everlasting joys
attend the blissful sound.

Oh, may these heavenly pages be
my ever dear delight;
and still new beauties may I see
and still increasing light!



Divine Instructor, gracious Lord, Be Thou forever near;
Teach me to love Thy sacred Word And view my Savior here.

Daily Bible Readings for Home Devotions

July 28 – August 2

Mon Matthew 6:1-6 Jesus urges us to help others and to pray that we might honor our heavenly Father. A hypocrite merely puts on a show in order to glorify himself, that is, to receive honor from other people.

Tues Acts 4:32-37 The life of the early church is an example of abundant grace on all of them. They proclaim Jesus' resurrection with power and help one another as the need arises.

Wed Acts 5:1-11 The sad story of Ananias and Sapphira is the story of our sin-corrupted nature. They donate in order to be seen by others and lie to enhance their own glory among the people – hypocrisy.

Thurs Ruth 1:1-17 Naomi loses her husband and two sons in the land of Moab, but returns to Bethlehem with a precious daughter-in-law who loves her and shares her faith (“your God will be my God.” v16).

Fri Psalm 91:1-8 Could we have it any better than to live so close to God as to be always in His shadow? He is the One who can protect at all times and cause all things to work together for our good! (Rm8:28)

Sat Psalm 91:9-16 For those who shelter with God, disaster is kept away, and the Lord Himself promises to rescue, protect, answer, accompany, deliver, honor, prolong, and save (vv14-16).