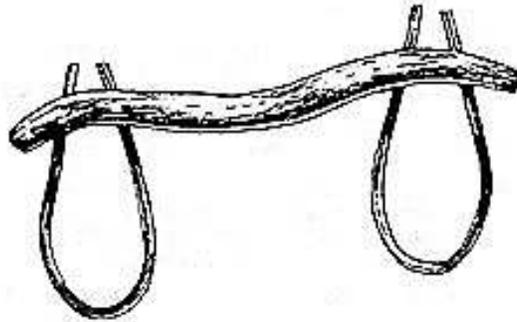


# ST. PAUL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

– CHURCH OF THE LUTHERAN CONFESSION –  
LAKEWOOD, COLORADO



*Come to me, all ye that labour  
and are heavy laden, and I will  
give you rest.*

*Take my yoke upon you, and  
learn of me; for I am meek and  
lowly in heart: and ye shall find  
rest unto your souls.*

*For my yoke is easy, and my  
burden is light.*

Matthew 11:28-30

**6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JULY 19, 2020**

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### **ORDER OF WORSHIP: SERVICE OF THE WORD**

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

- ◆ Pre-Service Devotion: Psalm 145 (pew bible, p.557)
- ◆ The Hymns: 794, 761, 684, 606
- ◆ Scripture Lessons: Exodus 33:12-23, Romans 7:15-25
- ◆ Psalm of the Day: From Psalm 116

**Sermon Text – Matthew 11:25-30**

### ***A YOKE JUST FOR YOU***

1. Designed for little children.
2. Given to you by Jesus.
3. Easy for you to bear.

- ◆ Prayer & Lord's Prayer
- ◆ Benediction & Closing Hymn (606)

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the tract rack or by request from an usher.*

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

### First Lesson – Exodus 33:12-23

12 Moses said to the LORD, "You have been telling me, 'Lead these people,' but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. You have said, 'I know you by name and you have found favor with me.' 13 If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways so I may know you and continue to find favor with you. Remember that this nation is your people." 14 The LORD replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." 15 Then Moses said to him, "If your Presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. 16 How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with your people unless you go with us? What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth?" 17 And the LORD said to Moses, "I will do the very thing you have asked, because I am pleased with you and I know you by name." 18 Then Moses said, "Now show me your glory." 19 And the LORD said, "I will cause all my goodness to pass in front of you, and I will proclaim my name, the LORD, in your presence. I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. 20 But," he said, "you cannot see my face, for no one may see me and live." 21 Then the LORD said, "There is a place near me where you may stand on a rock. 22 When my glory passes by, I will put you in a cleft in the rock and cover you with my hand until I have passed by. 23 Then I will remove my hand and you will see my back; but my face must not be seen."

### Psalm of the Day – From Psalm 116

P I love the LORD, for he heard my voice:  
C He heard my cry for mercy.  
P Because he turned his ear to me:  
C I will call on him as long as I live.  
P The LORD is gracious and righteous:  
C Our God is full of compassion.  
P The LORD protects the simplehearted:  
C When I was in great need, he saved me.  
P Be at rest once more, O my soul:  
C For the LORD has been good to you.

### Second Lesson – Romans 7:15-25

15 I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. 16 And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. 17 As it is, it is no longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. 18 I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. 19 For what I do is not the good I want to do; no, the evil I do

not want to do—this I keep on doing. 20 Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it. 21 So I find this law at work: When I want to do good, evil is right there with me. 22 For in my inner being I delight in God’s law; 23 but I see another law at work in the members of my body, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within my members. 24 What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? 25 Thanks be to God—through Jesus Christ our Lord!

### **Sermon Text – Matthew 11:25-30**

15 At that time Jesus said, “I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned, and revealed them to little children. 26 Yes, Father, for this was your good pleasure. 27 All things have been committed to me by my Father. No one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. 28 Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”

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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.

**SERVING US AT GOD'S HOUSE TODAY**

- ◆ Organist: Ruth Greening
- ◆ Ushers: Mark Hartmeister, Joshua Ruegge
- ◆ Elder: Mike Sprengeler

**THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL**

Today (7/19) 8:30 am Church Council Meeting  
                  9:30 am Worship Service  
                  10:45 am Mary & Martha Ladies' Meeting  
Thurs       8:00 pm Elders' Conference Call Meeting  
Sun (7/26) 9:30 am Worship Service  
                  10:45 am Quarterly Voters' Meeting

**IN OUR PRAYERS:** Landon Scow, who was released from the hospital last week and is convalescing at home. May the Great Physician of Souls continue to sustain and keep him spiritually as well as physically. <> Pastor John Hein and family of Fridley, MN (a suburb north of Minneapolis). A week ago Thursday an arsonist set fire to the parsonage garage (attached to the church) in the middle of the night doing considerable damage. The fire department was called to extinguish the blaze. We thank the Lord for keeping the members of the Hein family safe. (Pastor Hein is also recovering from Covid for which he tested positive in early July.)

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS FOR HOME DEVOTIONS JULY 20-25

**Mon Exodus 33:12-23** Since Moses knew his place under God, he could feel secure only if God took steps to make him secure. So God obliged (14-17) with a parade of His goodness, grace, and compassion—with Moses on the sidelines (18-23). [Face-to-face means person-to-person, as a man speaks with his friend. Further, God veiled His face from Moses so Moses would not be blinded; sunshine is good, but you daren't stare at the face of the sun.]

**Tues Matthew 11:25-30** After Jesus spelled out the bad news facing those who did not repent, He switched channels, for we need reassurance that God intends good for humanity via Jesus (25-27). Jesus invites folks who stagger along under the tonnage of guilt—to shift their load onto Him, for Jesus is strong (and gentle) enough to take over (28-30). [What are we waiting for?]

**Wed Romans 7:15-25** Paul loved God and wanted to live that way, but wanting isn't the same as doing, is it? Christians have two natures—the one we're born with and the other we're re-born with. As these spar in the dark corners of our soul, the bad guy delivers his sucker punches, which we try to avoid, but the round-by-round (and final) decisions are up to Jesus.

**Thurs Psalm 145** Moses could have been the composer of this psalm-hymn, but it's David, who had come through some bad times. God had been good-hearted enough to salvage David from the dump, and David couldn't keep quiet about it. The stench of garbage still reminded him of his sin, but he also knew that *the LORD upholds all who fall, and raises all those who are bowed down. He will also hear their cry and save them. This strikes a chord with me, so every day I will bless You, and I will praise Your name forever and ever.*

**Fri John 7:37-39** Scripture is full of picture language (similes and metaphors) because we humans need visual aids to get the picture of God's affairs. So when Jesus invited sinners to come to Him and drink, what did He mean? The evangelist John explains (39) that Jesus was picturing the Pentecost Holy Spirit who would enliven and invigorate Christians so that they would bubble over with God's Word. [Street-corner bubblers used to be found in many American cities, but they disappeared during the polio epidemic.]

**Sat Acts 13:42-52** Barnabas and Paul were bubblers of God's blessings, and through them the Holy Spirit satisfied a thirst for God's Word (42-44). But when unbelievers tried to turn off the faucet, God strengthened the pastors to face them down (46-47), for God wants gentiles in heaven, too (48-49)! Note: Strong waves can produce deadly under-tow, so Paul and Barnabas slipped out sideways to another city, bringing the Word with them.