

ESV(**Exodus 34:1-8**) The LORD said to Moses, "Cut for yourself two tablets of stone like the first, and I will write on the tablets the words that were on the first tablets, which you broke. ² Be ready by the morning, and come up in the morning to Mount Sinai, and present yourself there to me on the top of the mountain. ³ No one shall come up with you, and let no one be seen throughout all the mountain. Let no flocks or herds graze opposite that mountain." ⁴ So Moses cut two tablets of stone like the first. And he rose early in the morning and went up on Mount Sinai, as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand two tablets of stone. ⁵ The LORD descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD. ⁶ The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, ⁷ keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation." ⁸ And Moses quickly bowed his head toward the earth and worshiped.

ESV(**2 Peter 3:1-9**) This is now the second letter that I am writing to you, beloved. In both of them I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder, ² that you should remember the predictions of the holy prophets and the commandment of the Lord and Savior through your apostles, ³ knowing this first of all, that scoffers will come in the last days with scoffing, following their own sinful desires. ⁴ They will say, "Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation." ⁵ For they deliberately overlook this fact, that the heavens existed long ago, and the earth was formed out of water and through water by the word of God, ⁶ and that by means of these the world that then existed was deluged with water and perished. ⁷ But by the same word the heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly. ⁸ But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. ⁹ The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

NKJ(**Luke 9:51-56**) Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem, ⁵² and sent messengers before His face. And as they went, they entered a village of the Samaritans, to prepare for Him. ⁵³ But they did not receive Him, because His face was set for the journey to Jerusalem. ⁵⁴ And when His disciples James and John saw *this*, they said, "Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them, just as Elijah did?" ⁵⁵ But He turned and rebuked them, and said, "You do not know what manner of spirit you are of. ⁵⁶ "For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men's lives but to save *them*." And they went to another village.



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The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost – July 6, 2025

The Opening Prayer by the Pastor

The Opening Hymn – 140 (*Blue Hymnal*)
"To Your Temple I Draw Near"

The Order of Service – Hymnal page 31ff. (*Blue Hymnal*)

The Scripture Lessons: (*Printed on the back page of this bulletin*)

The First Lesson: (Exodus 34:1-8) Though we tend to give it little thought, one of God's greatest attributes is his patience. Our Old Testament reading tells of God's patience in connection with the giving of the Ten Commandments. By their construction and worship of the Golden Calf, Moses deemed the Children of Israel unworthy of God's holy laws. Still God proclaimed Himself a gracious and forgiving God, yet not one who would simply overlook rebellion and unbelief forever.

The Psalm of the Day – Psalm 73 (Hymnal Page 82) (Read responsively)

The Second Lesson: (2 Peter 3:1-9) Our second lesson reminds us of how foolish it is for man to attempt to judge God by human standards. The eternal God is infinitely greater than man. Yet though infinitely greater, God still patiently desires that all would turn to him in faith and live. As in our first reading, we are also here reminded that God's patience will come to an end, as when God destroyed the earth by a flood in the days of Noah. The godless mistake God's patience as evidence that he does not even exist, or that if he does exist, he is not displeased with sin and unbelief. Neither is true. God patiently grants man a time of grace to repent and live.

The Confession of Faith -

The Apostolic Creed (*Blue Hymnal page 34*)

The Pre-Sermon Hymn – 26 (*Stanzas 1-5*) (*Red Hymnal*)
"Praise the Almighty, My Soul, Adore Him"

The Sermon – Text: Luke 9:51-56 (*Printed on the back page of this bulletin*)

"A Patient Savior for an Impatient World"

- I. The Samaritans were impatient to be rid of Jesus.
- II. The disciples were impatient to be rid of the Samaritans.
- III. Jesus patiently offers salvation to one and all.

The Offertory – (Projected on Screens)

The Post-Sermon Hymn – 375 (*Blue Hymnal*)
"Father Most Holy, Merciful and Tender"

The Prayers of the Day, Followed by the Lord's Prayer

The Benediction

The Closing Hymn – 26 (*Stanza 6*) (*Red Hymnal*)
"Praise the Almighty, My Soul, Adore Him"

Silent Prayer

Welcome! - We warmly welcome any visitors who might be with us this morning and invite you to join us every Sunday at this time. St. Paul is a congregation in fellowship with the Church of the Lutheran Confession (CLC) – a conservative Lutheran synod with churches and missions throughout the United States and around the world. We are glad you are here. Thank you for letting us share the Word of God with you. Please record your visit in our Guest Book, and come again.

Attendance – Sunday (30) Average (38)

This Week at St. Paul:

Today	-10:00 a.m.	– Worship Service
	-11:00 a.m.	– Fellowship Hour
Next Sunday	-10:00 a.m.	– Worship Service
	-11:00 a.m.	– Fellowship Hour
	-10:30 a.m.	– Installation in Valentine

CLC News – Pastor Mark Tiefel has returned the call to Messiah of Eau Claire, WI, has resigned his current call, and is stepping down from the pastoral ministry. Pastor Aaron Ude has returned the call to St. Stephen of Mountain View, CA. Pastor Thomas Naumann is considering the call to Messiah of Eau Claire.

Lutheran Spokesman and Daily Rest Subscriptions – A reminder that payment for subscriptions to the Lutheran Spokesman and Daily Rest can be included in the offering box. If possible, please label your payment for either or both of these publications.

Recorded Music – Since our organist is out of town this weekend, we are using pre-recorded music in this morning's service. Please note that the pre-sermon and closing hymn (26) will be sung from the red hymnal.

Church Council Meeting – The next Church Council meeting is scheduled for July 15th, at 6pm.

Valentine Installation – Pastor Roehl is scheduled to install Pastor Caleb Schaller in Valentine next Sunday, July 13th at their 10:30am service. As a result, a lay service is planned for next Sunday here at St Paul. The next communion service here at St Paul is scheduled for July 27.