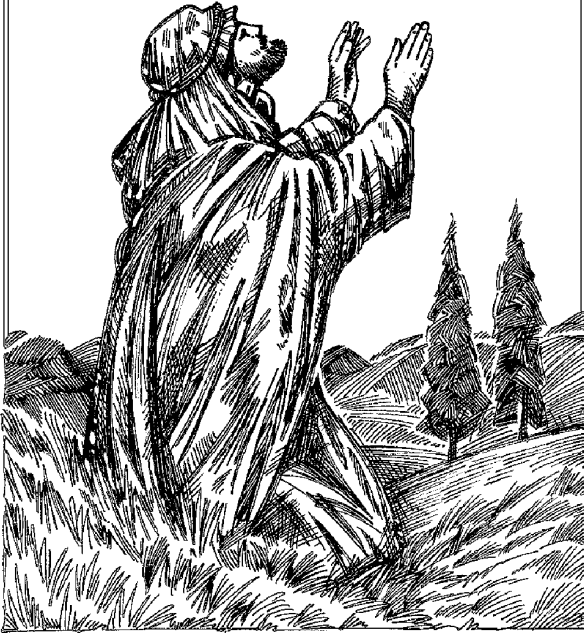


A broken and
contrite heart, O God,
you will not despise.

Psalm 51:17



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Worship: 9:30 a.m.

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PRE-SERVICE PRAYER: Heavenly Father, today I am approaching Your altar where I shall receive the true body and blood of Your Son sacrificed for my sin upon the cross. I know and confess my sin. Bless my reception of this communion that I may gain confidence that You have forgiven all my sins. Use this blest communion to assure me of the abiding relationship You have established with me, calling me to be Your child and heir of everlasting life. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: 2 Sam. 11:26-12:10,13-15

So often and so easily one sin leads to another. Covering a sin did not remove it, but rather caused wider offense. The prophet Nathan was sent by God to confront David with his sin, and lead David to realize how offensive the abuse of his power was in this sin. Confronted with the reality of his sin, David confessed, "I have sinned against the Lord. Nathan absolved David, assuring him, "The Lord also has put away your sin, you shall not die." However, because of the offense, giving others opportunity to blaspheme, David's life was complicated and greatly saddened because of his sin.

THE GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 7:36-50

A sinful woman anointed Jesus' feet with tears of sorrow because of her sin. While others in that elite and privileged company found this offensive to their sensitivities, Jesus declared that her faith and love for her Savior were directly related to the reality of forgiveness she found in Jesus. So also as we turn to the Lord in faith we also are assured, "Your sins are forgiven." "Your faith has saved you. Go in Peace."

THE SERMON: Galatians 2:11-21

Theme: Remain Steadfast in the Truth of God's Grace

- I. Guarding One's Faith from Popular Opinion
- II. Standing Firm in God's Forgiving Grace
- III. Carrying God's Grace into Daily Life

THE DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

We observe the Scriptural practice of close communion. We do this in loving concern for all who would desire to commune, that it might be for their spiritual blessing and not their spiritual harm. The Scriptures teach us that communicants need to be able to examine themselves concerning their sin and repentance, and also a proper understanding of the Lord's presence in the sacrament. We ask that only those who are members of this congregation, or one affiliated with us in the CLC, partake of the sacrament. Please speak with the pastor if you would wish to commune with us at a future time.

CALENDAR

TODAY: Church council is scheduled to meet following the service this morning.

Delegate conference in Mankato begins at 3:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY: Catechism, 9:30 a.m.

NEXT SUNDAY: Worship at 9:30 a.m. Sermon text: Luke 9:18-24

SERVING TODAY

-Organist: Denise Barthels

-Ushers: Phil Egtvedt, Norm Schwartz Randy Berg, Luke Berg

-Cleaning: Larson

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL:

Attendance: June 9 worship – 25

Weekly Offerings Needed:	\$1,045.00		
Offerings Received	637.00		
Needed for Year:	24,035.00		
Received for Year:	21,854.00		

SPOKESMAN SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL: It is time to wrap up the subscription drive. There are still some perennial subscribers who have not subscribed. Please consider doing this today so we can send in our group subscription. The annual group subscription rate is \$15.00. Make checks payable to St. Paul's.

SPECIAL OFFERING: Water leaking into the **church electrical panel** has damaged the panel so that it needs to be repaired. The voters accepted a bid from Fox Electric to complete this project. However the **\$4,950.00** it will cost will deplete most of the finds from the **Property Improvement Fund**. The voters have initiated a special offering to help defray the cost of this major repair. Your gift may be made to **Property Improvement Fund**.

At the Hospital: Phil Egtvedt is at St. Mary's in Rochester recovering from triple by-pass surgery. We thank the Lord for blessing and keeping Phil safe through surgery and recovery.

St. Paul's Web Site: Please check out our restored congregation website. The bulletin and sermon will be on the site each week:
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