

*Daily Morning Message*  
*St Paul United Church of Christ*  
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*Wednesday September 29, 2021*

*Lectionary Readings*      *Psalm 140*  
*Esther 8:1-17*  
*Matthew 18:6-9*

*Today's Scripture Verse:*      *Woe to the world because of stumbling blocks! Occasions for stumbling are bound to come, but woe to the one by whom the stumbling block comes. (Words of Jesus in Matthew 18:7)*

*What it means:*                      There are indeed many stumbling blocks on the pathways of our lives, but here Jesus pronounces a warning to those who create stumbling blocks for others who may be struggling to find their own way or feeling uncertain in their steps

*Reflection:*                              Gracious God, may we have the same compassion for others that you have given to us in some of our darkest moments on the pathway of life.

