

*Daily Morning Message*

*St Paul United Church of Christ*

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*Daily Lectionary Readings*

*Psalm 19*

*Exodus 23:1-9*

*Colossians 2:16-23*

*Today's Scripture Verse:*

*If with Christ you died to the elemental spirits of the universe, why do you live as if you still belonged to this world? Why do you submit to regulations?*

*What it means:*

In these words, Paul warns us not to be governed by rules, even religious ones, but by the freeing Spirit of Christ, who calls us to a way of life that is governed internally by our own desire to live in communion with him.

*Our time of prayer:*

We pray, God, that we may realize the joy and freedom of life in Christ, not governed by the constraints of religion, but awakened to faith in the Spirit of God's love.

