

**BIBLE READING: June 29, 2025**

**Psalm 16**

**Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.**

**I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."**

**As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble ones  
in whom is all my delight.**

**Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows;  
their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.**

**The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.**

**The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.**

**I bless the Lord, who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.  
I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be  
moved.**

**Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.  
For you do not give me up to Sheol or let your faithful one see the Pit.**

**You show me the path of life.**

**In your presence there is fullness of joy;  
in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

**Galatians 5:1,13-25**

**For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again  
to a yoke of slavery.**

**For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters, only do not use your freedom  
as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become enslaved to one  
another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love  
your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care  
that you are not consumed by one another.**

**Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the  
flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the  
flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you  
want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law.**

**Now the works of the flesh are obvious: sexual immorality, impurity,  
debauchery, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels,  
dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these.**

**I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit  
the kingdom of God.**

**By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,  
generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such  
things. And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with its passions and  
desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.**