

SERIES: GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

Seeing
YOURSELF
as a
DISCIPLE

for CHRIST

MATTHEW 4:19

AND HE SAID TO THEM, "FOLLOW ME,
AND I WILL MAKE YOU FISHERS OF MEN."



PO Box 427 - 500 S Penn Ave

Pastor Dave Martin

2 Christmas – January 5, 2025

9:30 AM Worship – 10:45 AM Sunday School

God Gathers His People to Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Sharing the Peace of the Lord

Songs **“O Come, All You Unfaithful”**

“Behold”

Confession

P: Let us pray.

P & C: Eternal God, since ancient times, seekers after wisdom have sought You and found You. By a marvelous star You led the kings of the east to Jesus, the Light of the World. You have also led us to the Light. Give us wisdom Lord, to be wise men and women, that always seek after You. May we worship and obey You alone. Help us flee the darkness of sin. Please forgive us for the times we still live in darkness. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Forgiveness

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you, and for his sake God forgives you all your sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ he gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

God Speaks to Us in His Holy Word

Scripture Lessons:

Psalm 118:7-12

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Acts 20:22-24

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Children's Sermon

Sermon Text: Matthew 4:19

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Matthew 28:18-20

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Sermon **“See Yourself as a Disciple of Christ”**

Give Thanks to God

Song **“Gratitude”**

Nicene Creed

Offering

Offertory

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed Thy hands hath provided

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Prayers of the Church

Celebration of Holy Communion

Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer

Distribution

Communion Blessing

God Calls Us to Serve

Song **“Amen”**

Benediction

Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve

Thank you for joining us this morning to worship with us! We begin a new series for the new year **“Go Tell It on the Mountain.”** Please join us following the service with coffee and goodies in the fellowship hall.

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Dec 29 General Offering: \$3221.80 **Attendance:** 82

Greeters Jan 5—Jeff & Rhonda Engebretson

Jan 12—Jerry & Alison Dykstra

Ushers Jan 5 & 12—Andrew Nachtigal & Brad DeVries

Communion Servers Jason Huizenga, Jan DuFrain, Scott Vanden Berge

Available for Prayer (*in Classroom #3*) Jerry Dykstra & Jan DuFrain

Coffee Cookie Servers

Jan 5—Marla Tegethoff, Laura Vanden Berge, Sue Vanderboom

Jan 12—Joyce VanderHam, Deb VanDerWerff, Wendy Wollman

Reminder: Please call Pastor Dave's cell phone number:

(605) 680-9958 when trying to get ahold of him or to leave a message

Today we will be celebrating Holy Communion.

Visitors are welcome to share with us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, given and shed for us, for the forgiveness of sins.

Weekly Men's breakfast and Bible study meets this **Saturday, January 11 at 7 AM** in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast and then in the Fireside Room to watch the video, break into small groups, discuss the video, and pray with and for one another.

The Mission Board has recommended our **Mission Offering for January be given to Melanie Lubinus's ministry**, which provides food, clothing, hygiene kits, and other essentials to Venezuelan refugees in Costa Rica. This offering will be taken next Sunday, January 12. Please make checks payable to "Trinity Lutheran Church."

New Year! New Bible Study! **Martha Bible Study group is starting a new study on Tuesday, January 21 at 6:30 PM** in the fireside fellowship. The new 5 session study is called "You Were Made for this Moment" by Max Lucado. Join us as we learn how the Story of Esther inspires us to step up and stand out for God.

The Vine's Table meal will be Jan 11 at 11:30 am

Menu: French Toast and toppings. This is a free meal to anyone over the age of 50. Please call Norma at 680-1691 to RSVP or sign up in the Platte CRC foyer. We'd love to see you there!

Trinity Lutheran's **congregational annual meeting** will be held Sunday, January 26 at 10:30 AM following morning worship. We will be having a potluck following our annual meeting. No Sunday School on Sunday, January 26th due to annual meeting. Please email information for the annual report to the office (tlcplattsd@gmail.com) by **Thursday, January 9.**

Men's Retreat "Renewing the Mind" will be on January 24-26 at New Hope Christian Camp. Register online at newhopechristiancamp.com Cost is \$25. Speaker: Aaron Stephens, Music: Tim Collins

We continue to collect donated items you so generously give to the needy. We bring to so many places and everything is VERY appreciated. We are collecting winter clothes at this time as they don't have room to store a lot of things. **They are in need of good used towels, coats, hats, gloves, sweatshirts, shoes and boots.** Please put items in garbage bags and write on the outside of the bag what's inside if it's men's, women's, boys, girls, blankets, or misc. Devotional books are also appreciated. Items can be dropped off at Gloria Kok or Shirley Johnson's garages. Please call ahead so we can be there when you stop. For questions on what to donate, call Gloria (605-207-0096) or Shirley (605-207-0388). Thanks again for all you donate to a worthy cause!

A special thanks to Pastor Dave and everyone at Trinity Lutheran for praying for me at the time of my stroke and surgery. I believe it was prayer that moved the hands of God so that I was able to come home 4 days later without any symptoms of paralysis in my arm or leg. All praise goes to our Heavenly Father. Again, thank you so much! Gene VanZee

Prayer Praises and Concerns

Those in nursing and assisted living homes or home-bound:

Bud Bakken, Mary Lee Erickson, Ruth Gruenig, Laura Johnson, Richard Johnson, George & Nancy Miller, Caroline Peterson

Please pray for:

- Please keep the family & friends of Moe Johnson in your prayers, as they mourn his passing on Christmas Day. Please pray for his daughter, Vicki Koopal, her husband, Todd, their son, Beau, his wife, Mandy, & their daughters, Devyn, Brienna, & Blaire, their son, Brady, his wife, Taylor, & their daughters, Raegan & Riley as they go through this time of loss. Pray they would know the Lord's comfort, peace, & strength in their time of sorrow, and that they would know hope & joy in the sure & certain truth of the resurrection.
- Please keep Mick Warejcka, his wife, Sharon, & all their loved ones in your prayers as Mick recovers from emergency gallbladder surgery on Dec. 30th. Thank God the surgery went well & his early recovery has gone well. Ask God to stabilize his heart rhythm & blood pressure, protect him from infections, complications, & other sicknesses, and pray for them all to know the Lord's presence, peace, comfort, & love in this trial.
- Please keep Dave & Joyce Carter & all their loved ones in your prayers as Dave undergoes knee replacement surgery on his left knee at 8AM Jan. 7th in Mitchell. Please pray his medical team will have every bit of skill, wisdom, & discernment needed to perform this procedure flawlessly. Pray, Dave, Joyce, & their family will have God's peace that surpasses all understanding prior to the surgery, during the surgery, & throughout rehab & recovery. Pray God will protect Dave from infections, complications, & other sicknesses throughout his recovery & that they all would know God's strength, comfort, & closeness in this trial.
- Please keep Evelyn Tucker in your prayers, asking God to heal her broken right hand & injuries suffered in a bad fall on December 22nd. Pray for the Lord's blessings in Evelyn's & Larry's lives and pray they would live in His love, peace, joy, & strength daily.
- Praise God Gene Van Zee's surgery on Dec. 26th to open his blocked carotid artery went extremely well & he was able to return home the next day. Thank Him that Gene was able to do everything required of him to go home, without need of physical therapy. Please pray for his blood pressure to be stabilized. Pray God would bless Gene & Faith with a safe, healthy, & Spirit-filled New Year.
- Please keep Kory Meyerink & his loved ones in your prayers. Kory had back surgery in Sioux Falls on December 19th. Thank God his initial

doctor's appointment went well, that the surgical site was healing well, & his staples were removed. Pray for his recovery & physical therapy to go well, for God to guard him from complications, infections, & sickness, & for his back pain to continue to diminish until it is completely gone. Pray this would give him a new lease on life & that he would know the Lord's love, peace, strength, & comfort throughout.

- Praise God Nancy & George Miller are dealing well with Nancy's health problem. Thank Him her stomach pain, which had been frequent early on is only, is only occasional now. Please pray the Lord will bless each day Nancy has left, that she will be without pain, & able to the end to love & communicate with George & her family & friends. Pray for Nancy, George, & their family to know the Lord's comfort, love, & strength throughout.
- Please keep Jill DeWet in your prayers, asking the Lord to bless her in her final months of pregnancy with His protection, provision, & strength. Pray Jill, Jacques, & Maverick would know the Lord's peace that surpasses all understanding & that this baby would be born healthy, strong, & full-term. Thank God for a very good report at her last doctor's appointment.
- Please continue to pray for Mike Erickson. Pray God would drastically lower the number of his cancer markers, would stabilize his blood sugar levels, relieve the arthritic pain in his knee and the frequent pain in his stomach, & eradicate all cancer from Mike's body. Pray for Mike and all his loved ones to know God's close-abiding love & presence & for God to bless the results of his next scan.
- Please keep Floyd & Karen Dimick in your prayers as Floyd recovers from surgery on Oct. 27th to repair a broken left femur. He is holding up well under Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy. Pray for relief from pain & for the ability to sleep well. Pray Karen recovers well from a recent bout of vertigo. Pray both Floyd & Karen would know the Lord's presence, walk in His love, and abide in His peace. He is in Room Number 17 in Platte.
- We rejoice that Calvary Baptist Church has called a pastor to replace Pr. Dave Anderson. Pastor Jim Bennett & his wife, Jeanni will be arriving sometime this month and hope to start February 2nd. Pray all the transitional things that need to be done when moving go well, that their move would be smooth and safe, that they would feel immediately at home here, would quickly make new friends, and would feel blessed to be here even as they bless Calvary and our community.
- Please pray for Kelly, the son of a friend of Peggy & Pastor Dave in Longview, WA, that God would heal him from the nervous breakdown he suffered & has been hospitalized for. Pray he would renounce the lies & deceptions of the enemy & embrace the love & truth of Jesus Christ. He seems to realize that he needs Jesus in his life. Please pray Kelly could receive Christ & be made new in Him.

O Come, All You Unfaithful

O come, all you unfaithful. Come, weak and unstable
Come, know you are not alone. O come, barren and waiting ones.
Weary of praying. Come, see what your God has done

Chorus: Christ is born, Christ is born, Christ is born for you

O come, bitter and broken. Come, with fears unspoken
Come, taste of His perfect love. O come, guilty and hiding ones.
There is no need to run. See what your God has done

Chorus

He's the Lamb who was given slain for our pardon
His promise is peace for those who believe (x2)

So come, though you have nothing. Come, He is the offering
Come, see what your God has done

Chorus

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Behold

Behold the King has come, Divinity incarnate
Creator of the world breathing our air
Behold what light has come and the dark cannot contain it
The Savior of the world is finally here

Chorus: O come let us adore Him. Come let us adore Him
For He alone is worthy Christ the Lord

Behold the Father's love beyond all comprehension
He gave His only Son to die in our place
Go and see that empty tomb. He's not there for He is risen
Every heart prepare Him room, Jesus Christ the King of Heaven

Chorus

We give You all the glory. We give You all the glory.
We give You all the glory, Christ the Lord

We praise Your name forever. We praise Your name forever
We praise Your name forever, Christ the Lord

Chorus (x2) Christ the Lord. He is Christ the Lord.

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Gratitude

All my words fall short. I got nothing new
How could I express All my gratitude
I could sing these songs as I often do
But every song must end and You never do

Chorus: So I throw up my hands and praise You again and again
'Cause all that I have is a hallelujah hallelujah
And I know it's not much but I've nothing else fit for a king
Except for a heart singing hallelujah! Hallelujah!

I've got one response. I've got just one move
With my arms stretched wide I will worship You

Chorus

So come on my soul Oh don't you get shy on me
Lift up your song 'Cause you've got a lion inside of those lungs
Get up and praise the Lord (x3)

Chorus

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Amen

Behold Jehovah seated on the throne
Abba Father the Well that overflows
The God who was and is and shall be forevermore. Holy is the Lord

Chorus: Amen Amen. Blessing and honor and glory and power Amen
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Behold the Way the Truth and the Life
Perfect Savior the Blood that washed us white
The God who was and is and shall be forevermore. Holy is the Lord

Chorus

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