

SERIES: GROWING IN CHRIST

Growing  
INTO  
Fruitfulness



*I am the vine; you are the branches.  
Whoever abides in me and I in him,  
he it is that bears much fruit,  
for apart from me you can do nothing.*

JOHN 15:5



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**Pastor Dave Martin**

*Transfiguration* – February 9, 2025

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

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## *God Gathers His People to Worship*

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Sharing the Peace of the Lord

Songs **“Hope of the Nations”**

**“I Believe”**

Confession & Forgiveness

P: We gather as the people of God to offer our repentance and praise, to pray for the unity of the church and the renewal of our common life. Trusting in God's mercy and compassion, let us ask for the forgiveness of our sins.

***Silence for reflection and self-examination.***

P: Lord Jesus, you came to reconcile us to one another and to the Father: Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Lord, have mercy on us.**

P: Lord Jesus, you heal the wounds of pride and intolerance. Christ, have mercy on us.

**C: Christ, have mercy on us.**

P: Lord Jesus, you pardon the sinner and welcome the repentant. Lord, have mercy on us.

**C: Lord, have mercy on us.**

P: May almighty God grant us pardon and peace, strengthen us in faith, and make us witnesses to Christ's love.

**C: Amen.**

## *God Speaks to Us in His Holy Word*

Scripture Lessons:

Psalm 105:1-7

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Colossians 1:9-14

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Children's Sermon

Sermon **“Growing into Fruitfulness”**

*Series: Growing in Christ*

*Give Thanks to God*

Song **“I Speak Jesus”**

Apostles 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

The Lord's Prayer

*God Calls us to Serve*

Song **“Step By Step”**

Benediction

*Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve*

Thank you for joining us this morning to worship with us! We begin a new sermon series “Growing in Christ.” Please join us for fellowship and coffee and cookies in the fellowship hall following the service.

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**Feb 2 General Offering: \$5136.00 Attendance: 108**

**February Mission Fund Offering**

Marion Medial Mission: \$621

God's Way Christian School: \$571

**Greeters** Feb 9—Jan DuFrain & Tammy Darling

Feb 16—Scott & Heidi Dingus

Feb 23—Brad & Nicole DeVries

**Available for Prayer** Lee Hanten & Peggy Martin

**Ushers** Feb 9—Jeff Olsen & Kyle Meyerink

Feb 16—Eldon Qualm & Toby Qualm

Feb 23—Confirmation Students

**Coffee Cookie Servers**

Feb 9—Donna Boysen, Joyce Carter, Lori Chambers

Feb 16—Marsha Cutler, Tammy Darling, Phyllis Daum,

Feb 23—Karen DeGroot, Jonna DeHaan, Whitney DeHaan

Join us Monday, February 10 at 1:00 PM in the Fireside Room, for the **Bible study on the Gospel of Matthew**. Each week, we'll watch a chapter of Matthew from *The Visual Bible*, then read it aloud and discuss it. To avoid conflict with the quilting group, we won't meet on the first Monday of the month. We realize that no one can make it to every meeting but come join us when you can. You might just discover a new love for the Bible, you didn't know you had.

Our **Soup Supper is this Wednesday, February 12**. We'll serving homemade soups, sandwiches and desserts **from 5-7 PM**. Free will donations will go towards our local Wings & Hope. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex. **Please consider signing up** to help serve at the soup supper, bring food or donate money for supplies.

Weekly Men's breakfast and Bible study meets this **Saturday, February 15 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.

**We will be having a guest missionary, Steve Walters**, share with us on Sunday, February 16 during worship.

**The next Children's Worship Sunday is Sunday, February 23.** The Sunday School students will be participating in the worship service through ushering, the Children's Sermon, reading Scripture, and special music. **The Sunday School kids will be taking their next "noisy offering" also on February 23.** If any other parents, grandparents or congregation members have any loose change laying around and would like to contribute, please give it to a child to put in the bucket or feel free to put it in yourselves. Thanks so much for helping our youth understand the importance of giving back to the Lord for all we do receive. Board of Ed –Karis, Dan, Diane

We are changing how we are giving to monthly mission offerings. Instead of giving once a month, we have the opportunity to give weekly to missions. For all of February, we will be supporting:

- ✓ **Marion Medical Missions** – their mission is to bring clean water to people in Africa by building wells for only \$475 for a well (100% donations go towards well projects)
- ✓ **God's Way Christian School** – director Paschal Bakundukize, building new school for primary children In Tanzania, Africa. They need an additional \$40,000 to move into their new school. They should be able to accommodate 400 Students when finished.

Checks can be made out to Trinity Lutheran Church. Please clearly designate on the offering envelope or memo of your check which ministry you would like to donate towards.

If you are interested in becoming a **new member at Trinity** or would simply like more information regarding our beliefs, values, and methods, please join us **Sunday, March 16, 2025, at 10:45 AM.** Depending on the number of people interested, we will either meet in my office or the Fireside Room. There will be a light lunch served with the meeting. The meeting should take about 1 to 1-1/2 hours. Attending the meeting does not obligate you to join. Sign up on our form: <https://tlcplattesd.breezechms.com/form/4c78bf> Or email Pastor at email ([tlcpastor57369@gmail.com](mailto:tlcpastor57369@gmail.com)) to let us how many will be attending.

**The WOW group is collecting laundry products** for the Helping Hands Food Pantry for their mission project through the end of February. If you would like to donate, please place your items in the blue totes in the fellowship hall and they will be delivered to the pantry to help those in need.

Tri County Right to Life (Aurora, Douglas and Charles Mix) will meet at Dakota Christian School on **Tuesday, Feb 10 at 7:00 PM**. Learn more about how you can fight for the cause of the unborn.

**Luke Winger, Juggler & Inspirational Speaker will be at the Lyric Theatre on Sunday, February 23 at 2 PM**. Luke began entertaining audiences at just 8 years old and, since then, he has been seen in prisons, churches, schools, festivals, fairs, camps, weddings, and in special events around the globe. He has touched the lives of many through his audience engagement and inspiring messages.

Luke uses his experiences learned from 4 years living in China, 25 years as a nationally competitive cyclist, having an Argentinian wife, raising 5 children, and losing a daughter, and blends them with his juggling and balancing skills to entertain, encourage and inspire people to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ. **Free will donation will be taken for New Hope Christian Camp** *but for those who can't help out they are still more than welcome to come have some fun!*

**TRINITY LUTHERAN**  
*Women of the Word*

**THE**



**NAVIGATORS**

*Africa*

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15**  
**9:00 AM**

**The African dilemma**  
**Who should we help?**  
**A presentation and**  
**Discussion**

**All Trinity Women are invited to join us  
for breakfast, coffee and a presentation  
by our missionary, Steve Walters.**

**Come and join us for a morning of good food,  
good fellowship and and interesting  
and informational presentation  
about African ministry.**

## Prayer Praises and Concerns

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

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

### **Please pray for:**

- Please keep the family & friends of Brenda Bultsma in your prayers as they mourn her passing on Feb. 1st. Pray they would know the Lord's comfort, peace, & strength in all they face &, because of the resurrection, would be filled with hope & joy. Brenda is Bev Antonsen's sister. Pray Brenda's husband, Dave, their children, Joshua, Bridget, & Jarrod, & the entire extended family would walk in the Lord's close-abiding love.
- Please keep the family & friends of Betty Tegethoff in your prayers as they mourn her passing on January 24th. Pray they would know the Lord's close-abiding presence, walk in His love, know His peace, and be strengthened by Him. Pray they are filled with hope & joy because of the sure & certain truth of the resurrection. Betty is Randy Tegethoff's mom and Marla's mother-in-law, & Foster's, Averi's, Dakotah's, & Austin's grandmother.
- Please pray for Beau Koopal, his wife, Mandy, & their daughters, Devyn, Brienna, & Blaire, & the entire Koopal family as Beau faces a recent diagnosis of MS & difficulty walking. Doctors say with time & medication he will be able to walk normally again. Please pray for the Lord's hand of healing, protection, & provision to be with Beau & for him & the whole family to know the Lord's strength & peace throughout this trial.
- Please pray for Andrea Brennan, a close friend of Pr. Dave, Peggy, & their daughter, Brooke. She has been battling cancer for 4-1/2 years & after a period of remission, the cancer has returned more aggressively. Doctors have given her only a few months to live. Andrea was Brooke's best friend the year we lived in Woodbury, MN. She has a husband & 2 children. Please pray the Lord would do a miracle in this young woman's life & would keep them all in His mighty love, peace, & joy.
- Please keep Nancy & George Miller & their loved ones in your prayers. Thank Him for the many good days Nancy has had recently and for the strength He gives them to get through the bad days. Thank God for the peace He has given to all of them as they go through this trial together and thank Him for the faithfulness of Nancy & George's children. Pray God's blessings over them daily.
- Please also keep Nancy's & George's daughter, Debbie Martin, her husband, Tom, & their whole family in your prayers as Debbie battles ovarian & uterine cancer. She is doing well & is now able to receive her



cancer treatments in Rapid City. Please pray the healing hand of Christ would eradicate this cancer from Debbie's body & He would give her strength to see them through this trial.

- Praise God Mary Beth & Larry Kuiper are back home. The extreme pain she had in her left lung is mostly gone. Please pray for her continued healing & improvement & for her strength & energy levels to improve. Pray for Larry to have a double portion of the Lord's grace so he can continue to provide the loving care Mary Beth needs.
- Please continue to pray for Mike Erickson. A recent scan revealed a blood clot somewhere in his abdomen. Doctors have given him medication to dissolve the clot & told him, despite his increased cancer markers, his tumor hasn't grown. Please pray for this clot to pass from his body soon, for his stomach pain to be gone, and for his cancer to be completely eradicated. 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.
- Praise God Mick Warejcka's surgical site is healing well following his gallbladder surgery. Please continue to pray for his heart to come into proper rhythm & for his blood pressure to stabilize in a healthy range. Pray for Mick, Sharon, & all their loved ones to know God's peace that surpasses all understanding & for them to feel His close-abiding presence.
- Praise God Dave Carter is recovering well from his Jan. 7th knee replacement surgery, is doing well in physical therapy, and is seen frequently at church getting his steps in. Please pray for God's continued protection, provision, and healing in Dave's life.
- Thank God Kory Meyerink is feeling a little bit better every day following his back surgery. Pray the Lord would enable him to do everything asked of him in physical therapy and that he would feel himself improving daily. Pray he is soon able to live the active life he loves & pray he & his loved ones would know the Lord's love, peace, & presence throughout.
- Please keep Floyd & Karen Dimick in your prayers. Thank God Floyd is recovering well from a broken left femur & is holding up well under Physical Therapy. Thank God his pain is gone & he can sleep well. 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 at Avera Care Center. Pray he might soon be able to secure a private room. Praise God as well that Karen's niece, Dana Hanson, is progressing well at the rehab center in Omaha. She is talking & walking again after her extended time in a coma.
- Praise God Calvary Baptist's new pastor, Jim Bennett, & his wife, Jeanni, have arrived in Platte. Please pray for their transition here to go well and for him to be a good fit for Calvary & this community. Pray they would quickly make friends here & that this would soon feel like home.

## **Hope of the Nations**

Jesus, hope of the nations, Jesus, comfort for all who mourn  
You are the source of Heaven's hope on earth.

Jesus, light in the darkness, Jesus, truth in each circumstance;  
You are the source of Heaven's light on earth

In history You lived and died. You broke the chains, You rose to life.

You are the hope living in us, You are the rock in whom we trust  
You are the light, shining for all the world to see.

*Chorus:* You rose from the dead, conquering fear,  
Our Prince of Peace drawing us near;  
Jesus, our hope, living for all who will receive;  
Lord, we believe. Lord, we believe. (*repeat all*)

In history You lived and died. You broke the chains, You rose to life.

You are the hope living in us, You are the rock in whom we trust  
You are the light, shining for all the world to see.

*Chorus* Lord, we believe.

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## **I Believe**

I believe there is one salvation. One doorway that leads to life  
One redemption one confession, I believe in the name of Jesus Christ

I believe in the crucifixion, By His blood I have been set free  
I believe in the resurrection, Hallelujah His life is death's defeat

*Chorus:* All praise to God the Father, All praise to Christ the Son  
All praise to the Holy Spirit, Our God has overcome  
The King who was and is and evermore will be  
In Jesus' mighty name I believe

I believe in the hope of heaven, He's preparing a place for me  
Far beyond what hearts imagine, Ears have heard or eyes have seen

I believe that day is coming, He's returning to claim His bride  
Light the altar keep it burning, See the Lamb who rose a roaring Lion

*Chorus x2*

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## **I Speak Jesus**

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind  
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence, I speak Jesus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus til ev'ry dark addiction starts to  
break. Declaring there is hope and there is freedom, I speak Jesus

*Chorus:* 'Cause Your Name is power, Your Name is healing,  
Your Name is life, Break ev'ry stronghold, Shine through the shadows,  
Burn like a fire

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus over fear and all anxiety  
To ev'ry soul held captive by depression, I speak Jesus

*Chorus*

Shout Jesus from the mountains, Jesus in the streets, Jesus in the darkness  
over ev'ry enemy, Jesus for my fam'ly, I speak the holy Name Jesus (x2)

Your Name is power, Your Name is healing, Your Name is life, Break ev'ry  
stronghold, Shine through the shadows, Burn like a fire (x2)

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind  
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence, I speak Jesus

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## **Step By Step**

O God, You are my God, and I will ever praise You.

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*Chorus:* I will seek You in the morning,  
And I will learn to walk in Your ways;  
And step by step You'll lead me,  
And I will follow You all of my days. (*repeat all*)

*Chorus*

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