

Discovering Our Need for a Savior

PEACE
and
HOPE



THROUGH

Jesus Christ

THEREFORE, SINCE WE HAVE BEEN JUSTIFIED BY FAITH,
WE HAVE PEACE WITH GOD
THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.
ROMANS 5:11



PO Box 427 - 500 S Penn Ave

Pastor Dave Martin

2 Lent – March 16, 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

Song **“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”**

LBW 293

Confession & Forgiveness of Sin:

P: Dear friends of Christ, in the shadow of our Savior's Holy Cross, we admit what God already knows: We have sinned against God in thought, word and deed. We have failed God by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

Let us pray.

P & C: Most merciful God, I confess before you these, my brothers and sisters, that I have failed to take up my cross and follow Jesus. I have abused the gift of language by saying things I had no business saying and leaving unsaid things it was my duty to say. I have tried to possess that which does not properly belong to me. I have bent the truth to serve my own ends. I have not treated my neighbors the way I would wish my neighbors to treat me. For the sake of your risen Son, Jesus Christ, who died on the cross for the sins of the whole world, have mercy on me. Forgive what I have been, and show me what I may yet become.

P: Jesus Christ was given to die on the cross for us, and raised to new life for us. Therefore we have also been raised to newness of life, pure and acceptable in the sight of God. **C: Amen!**

Baptisms

Weslie Kate Johnson & Baylor Jo Foxley

God Speaks to Us in His Holy Word

Micah 7:18-20

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Matthew 5:3-12

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Children's Sermon

Song "I Know that My Redeemer Lives" (v. 1,2,7,8) **LBW 352**

Sermon Text: Romans 5:1-11

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Sermon "Peace & Hope Through Jesus Christ"

Series: Discovering Our Need for a Savior

Give Thanks to God

Song "It Is Well with My Soul"

GHF 256

Offering

Offertory

We give Thee but Thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from Thee.

Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

God Calls Us to Serve

Song "To God Be the Glory"

GHF 449

Benediction

Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve

Thank you for joining us this morning to worship with us! We begin the Lenten sermon series "Discovering Our Need for a Savior" Please join us for coffee and cookies in the fellowship hall following the service.

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March 9 General Offering: \$2181.00 Attendance: 138

March Mission Fund Offering \$312.10 (month to date)

February Mission Fund Offering

Marion Medial Mission: \$1820.50 (This equals to 3 ¾ wells!)

God's Way Christian School: \$1270.50

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Musician Donna Nelson

Greeters March 16—Dan & Phyllis Daum

March 23—Frank & Marsha Cutler

March 30—Doug & Lori Chambers

Available for Prayer (*in Classroom #3*) Dan & Phyllis Daum

Ushers March 16—Darrel Hildebrand & Jim Holter

March 23 & 30—Todd Strand & Bill Hoffman

Coffee Cookie Servers

March 16—Maggie Dyk, Alison Dykstra, Rhonda Engebretson

March 23—Pearl Feiok, Jodene Foxley, Diane Gilbertz

March 30—Donna Hanten, Carey Hoffman, Sarah Hoffman

Blessings to Weslie Johnson & Baylor Foxley who were baptized today! Weslie is the daughter of Hunter & Katie Johnson. Her sponsors are Spencer & Whitney DeHaan. Baylor is the daughter of Payton & Gabi Foxley. Her sponsors are Tyson & Maggie Dyk. The roses on the altar today are in honor of Weslie & Baylor.

Correction to Sunday School Calendar: No Sunday School on March 23 due to spring break. We will have Sunday school today March 16.

On Monday, March 17 at 2:15 PM, we will be holding a **Lenten service** at the Avera Care Center. We hope you can join us and stay following the services for coffee and goodies. Lenten services will also be Mondays, March 24 and April 7 will be at Twilight Visita. March 31 and April 14 will be at Avera Care Center.

Church Council meeting is Monday, March 17 at 7:00 PM

Bible Study on Matthew – the Visual Bible will meet this Monday, March 17 at 1 PM in the Fireside Room.

Priscilla Bible Study Group meets Thursday, March 20 at 9:00 AM
Lesson 3 Leader: Joyce VanderHam, Hostess: Paula Nelson

Hannah Bible Study Group meets Thursday, March 20 at 1:30 PM
Lesson 3 Lesson Leader: Karen Dimick, Hostess: Pearl Feiok

Weekly Men's breakfast and Bible study meets this **Saturday, March 22 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.

Communion has been moved to next Sunday, March 23.

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 on **Sunday, March 23, 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 by emailing Pastor (tlcpastor57369@gmail.com) to let us how many will be attending.

Instructions for First Communion for our 5th graders will begin Tuesday, March 25 from 3:45-5:00 PM in the North Overflow room. We will also meet on Tuesdays, April 1st, 8th, and 15th. First Communion will be celebrated on Easter Sunday, April 20th at our 9:30 AM service.

Sleep in Heavenly Peace quilting group will work on cutting, tying and sewing quilts has been moved to **Monday, April 7 and Tuesday, April 8 from 10 AM to 3 PM**. Please bring rotary cutters or scissors to use. Mats are provided. Anyone from the community is welcome to come and be a part of these projects. Lunch will be provided.

Dakota Jubilee Home Concert—The 22 men of Dakota Jubilee will provide an evening of Christian and patriotic music on Sunday, March 23rd, at the Platte First Reformed Church at 7 pm. A time of fellowship and goodies will follow! Everyone is welcome! A free-will offering will be accepted.

Our March Mission Offering is designated towards a feeding ministry overseen by Samaritan's Purse. The beauty of this program is that it is very flexible and allows donors to help people in a variety of ways. For instance, one part of the program provides immediate emergency food for people by providing up to a month's worth of corn, sorghum, lentils, rice, or other grains to feed them. There is another program for \$9/week, through which you can provide the goods necessary to bring a malnourished child back to health. There is another program, which for \$7/week, will supply a week's worth of hot meals for one student at school, and still another that for \$4/week will provide milk and nutrition for one student. Through other programs, one can donate baby chicks, lambs, goats, or calves, thereby giving people the gift of an ongoing food supply. There are still other programs through which one can donate seed, farm tools, draft animals, and fruit trees.

Please give generously to this ministry! At the end of the month, the Mission Board will decide how to divvy up the money to the various causes. They will also be responsible for putting up posters that inform the church exactly how each month's mission offering has been spent. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask Pastor Dave. Please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and note "Mission Fund" on offering envelope or check memo.

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:

- Thank you for your prayers for Pr. Dave's brother-in-law, Dick Loupee. His prostate surgery went well, and he feels like he is back to feeling like himself again. Your prayers were much appreciated.
- Thanks for your prayers for Pr. Dave's & Peggy's daughter, Brooke. Her MRI revealed a 4.5 cm. cyst on her left ovary (almost certainly benign due to its type). The cramping she's been having is attributed to ovarian torsion due to the cyst. It adds extra weight to the ovary & can make it twist & untwist when she makes a sudden movement. She has had cysts like this in the past, which simply burst & go away. Doctors believe these will do the same. They will monitor her with ultrasounds every 6-8 weeks to make sure things are OK.
- Beau Koopal met with a specialist March 10th. The doctor says he doesn't have MS, but a milder version known as MOGAD. This typically responds well to medication and allows the person to lead a very normal life. Beau has lost 30 pounds, is eating wisely, & feels the best he's felt in years. Pray for his continued health & well-being & for he & his loved ones to live in the Lord's grace & peace.
- Please keep Mike Erickson in your prayers. His latest report from the Cancer Institute revealed his tumor hasn't grown. They started him on a stronger chemo regimen, which is making him very tired & causing him to sleep a lot. Pray that sleep will help his body recover & he will grow stronger over time. Please pray Jesus would show Himself strong and eradicate Mike's cancer and help restore his strength & energy levels. Pray for Mike to be at peace with whatever lies ahead.
- Please keep George & Nancy Miller in your prayers. George was diagnosed with Covid March 13th. His illness has caused Nancy to regress to the time her Mom passed away. Please pray for the Lord to bring George through his illness quickly & for Him to bring clarity to Nancy's thinking. Pray for the Lord's comfort, love, strength, & peace to see them through this trial.
- 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 &

her loved ones His comfort, love, peace, & strength to see them through this trial.

- Please continue to pray for Mick Warejcka. He had his appointment with the cardiologist on 2/24/25. They are going to change his meds, then around the first part of May, they're going to try to cardiovert him into a regular heart rhythm. 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.
- Thank God Kory Meyerink is feeling a little bit better every day following his back surgery on Dec. 19th. Pray his pain would diminish daily. 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. Pray for Floyd's spirits to be lifted as he has been a little down of late. Pray for a private room to become available for him and for him to receive a little more company. Pray also for Karen who is dealing with some minor health issues that she might feel better soon.
- Please keep Mary & Tom Espland in your prayers. Mary slipped on the ice a few weeks ago and broke her upper left arm. Due to her cerebral palsy, she has no use of her right arm, so things are difficult for them right now. Thank God their youngest daughter is living with them to help out. Please pray for the Lord's healing touch to be with both Mary & Tom, & for God to give their daughter a double portion of His grace so that she will be equal to the tasks before her.
- Praise God Linda Walters is responding well to her therapy in Topeka, KS. Doctors are hoping to release her soon, then, they will begin to acclimate her once again to riding in a car. The hope is that she becomes increasingly comfortable in a car so that she might soon endure the 5-hour trip back to West Point, NE. Please continue to pray for the Lord's hand to be upon Steve & Linda as they go through this trial.