



# IN THE SPIRIT

Romans 8:1-8



PO Box 427 - 500 S Penn Ave

**Pastor Dave Martin**

9:30 AM Worship

2 Easter – April 16, 2023

## GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Song “He Lives”

**GHF 132**

Confession & Forgiveness

P: Rejoicing in the resurrection, let us seek God's forgiveness, that dying to sin, we may walk in newness of life.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P: Faithful God,

**P & C: we confess that we have tried to live by our own poor strength, shunning the earth-shaking power of the resurrection. We have doubted your promises. We have failed to recognize you in the poor and needy. Have mercy on us, forgive us our sin, and restore to us the joy of your salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Christ died to sin once for all, and now, victorious, lives to God. Our Savior has delivered us from the power of darkness and welcomed us into the realm of light. For his sake God grants us pardon and peace, the remission of all our sins.

**C: Amen.**

## GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS HOLY WORD

Scripture Lessons:

Proverbs 3:1-8

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John 14:15-17

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Children’s Sermon

Song “**Spirit of God Descend Upon My Heart**”

**LBW 486**

Sermon Text: Romans 8:1-8

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Sermon “**Life in the Spirit**”

## GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Song “**Cleanse Me**”

GHF 166

Apostles Creed

Offering\*\*

Prayers of the Church

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Institution

The Lord’s Prayer

Distribution

Communion Blessing

## GOD CALLS US TO SERVE

Song “**I Know that My Redeemer Lives**” (vs. 1,2,7,8) **LBW 352**

Benediction

## ENTER TO WORSHIP – DEPART TO SERVE

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*email bulletin info by Thursdays 8 AM*

***Thank you*** for joining us this Sunday morning to worship our God together! Today we begin the sermon series “A Matter of Control.” ***We will have fellowship time with coffee and cookies following worship.*** We hope you will join us!

***\*\*The offering plate will be in the narthex so please place your donations in as you enter or exit. To GIVE ONLINE through Breeze, go to our website [www.tlclplatted.org](http://www.tlclplatted.org). Click on “GIVING” on our homepage and you will be directed to our online giving platform Breeze. It is a convenient, safe and simple way for our members or visitors to make automated payments through bank ACH directly or credit/debit cards. Text-to-give (605) 741-4118.***

**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.

**April 9: General Offering: \$2910.00 Attendance: 183**

**Greeters April 16:** Toby & Wendy Qualm

**April 23:** Eldon & LouAnn Qualm

**April 30:** Bonnie Ringling & Vicky Pavlis

**Ushers April 16:** Anthony DeHaan & Dan Daum

**April 23 & 30:** Mike Konechne & Derek Wollman

**Communion Servers:** Mike Gilbertz, Shirley Johnson, Carey Hoffman

**Coffee/Cookie Servers**

**April 16:** Tana Huizenga, Darla Johnson, Katie Johnson

**April 23:** Melissa Johnson, Lisa Johnson, Shirley Johnson

**April 30:** Wanda Johnson, Estelle Konechne, Dawn Konstanz

Since **Gideons International** will be blessing us with a guest presentation on Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, we felt it fitting to designate them as the recipient of our April Mission Offering. We recognize the great job Gideons International does in proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ and in making God's Word available to some 200 nations around the globe. Please help us in promoting their ministry by contributing generously to this special mission offering, which will be **collected TODAY April 16<sup>th</sup>**. Please make checks payable to "Trinity Lutheran."

There will be no Sunday school music so Sunday school will start 15 minutes after church is done. Thanks! Board of Ed

Please email [tlcplattesd@gmail.com](mailto:tlcplattesd@gmail.com) submitted photos for the church directory ASAP.

We will have our **annual church cleaning Monday, April 17 through Saturday, April 22**. Many hands make light work. Thank you!

**Church Council** meets on Monday, April 17 at 7 PM.

**Instruction for First Communion** will continue for fifth graders on Wednesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 to 5:30 pm and on Wednesday, April 26. First Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, with First Communion Celebrants and their families receiving Holy Communion before the rest of the congregation.

**Priscilla Bible Study Group** meets Thursday, April 20 at 9:00 AM

Lesson 3 Lesson Leader: Gladys Kuipers, Hostess: Joan Falor

**Hannah Bible Study Group** meets Thursday, April 20 at 1:30 PM  
Lesson 3 Lesson Leader: Caroline Butler, Hostess: Joan Hoversten

The **Prayer Equipping Class** will meet again on Thursday, April 20 at 6:30 PM in the Fireside Room. The class will also meet on Thursdays, April 20, 27 and May 4. The goals of this class are to teach people the biblical truths of prayer, to instruct them how to pray under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and to provide training so they can practice praying with and for one another in a variety of circumstances.

Men, **please join us Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 AM** in the Fellowship Hall for our **weekly Men's Breakfast**. After eating, we will adjourn to the Fireside Room, where we will watch a video from the Authentic Manhood 33 Series. Following the video, we will break into small groups, discuss the video, and pray with and for one another.

**Platte Community Student Ministry Upcoming Teaching Topics:**

- April 19 Movie night "Jesus Revolution" at the Lyric Theater
- April 26 Final message of the school year
  - May 3 JH Party (last night) Heath Feiock speaking at SH
- May 10 Senior Night (last night)

**Wings and Hope Benefit** is Sunday, April 23 from 11-1 at the Community Building. A freewill donation for lunch will be offered as well as a silent auction and live pie/dessert auction. If you would like to donate to the silent auction, please contact Mari Biehl at 605-384-0455. Drop off points for items are Platte Body Shop, Laurie Meis residence in Geddes or the community building on Saturday, April 22 after 10 AM. Are you a gifted pie baker or decadent dessert maker? Please consider donating to the live auction. Contact Karen Lang 605-207-0126 with ?'s

**New Hope** Christian Camp and Retreat Center is having its annual spring-cleaning days on April 28 and 29. Please come help us get the buildings and grounds spruced up for camp this summer! The chapel will be completed and in need of final cleaning as well as windows needing washing and general cleaning. There will also be some small carpentry projects for the handymen! Lunch will be served. Thank you for your willing hands and hearts! Please contact Nancy VanderPol at 605-680-1139 or Melissa Huizenga at 712-348-6032 for more details.

The next **Missouri Valley T.E.C. #21** weekend is being planned for June 2-4 at Trinity Lutheran Church. T.E.C. - Teens Encounter Christ is a non-denominational three-day spiritual retreat for teenagers; an encounter of a lifetime. High school youth who are currently in the 9th grade thru 12th grade are eligible to attend. During the three days of the weekend, talks are given by youth team members and pastors. The talks are personal witnesses of struggles these teens have faced and how God has worked in and through their lives. There are times of worship, singing, playing, and reflection, all bound together in a fun, Christian atmosphere. We would like to extend an invitation to you to look in any part of the weekend. Please contact Missouri Valley T.E.C. Convener Shawn Wynia at (605)680-2244 or if you are interested or sign up at [www.movalleytec.org](http://www.movalleytec.org)

Please contact Lee Hanten if you would be willing to **usher for funerals**.

The Vine's Bountiful Table's next meal will be May 11, 2023. The Menu will be Chicken Lasagna. Sign up sheet is in the foyer or Call Norma 605 680 1691. Sign up deadline is **May 7**, 2023. Invite a friend to come!

# PRAYER PRAISES AND CONCERNS

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

Mary Lee Erickson, Mike Erickson, Laura Johnson, LaDene Nelson,  
Maylou Stanforth

## Please pray for:

- Please continue to pray for Tammy Darling's four-year-old granddaughter, Taylor Cole, and her parents, Ethan and Charmayne Cole. Please pray for God's hand of healing, comfort, strength, and love to be with them all. Pray for God to protect her from seizures and to bless Taylor with a long season of stable health and vitality.
- Please keep Alison Dykstra's sister, Julie Pepper, her husband, Matt, and their extended family in your prayers as Julie continues her 3rd round of chemo for ovarian cancer. Thank God Julie has experienced very few side effects from the chemo. Pray her appetite would remain good, that she could sleep well, that she could be healed of her sinus infection, and that she and all her loved ones would know the Lord's peace that surpasses all understanding.
- Please keep Jerry Dykstra's brother-in-law, Rod Berg, in your prayers along with his wife, Vicki, and all their loved ones as he undergoes high-dose Prednisone infusions to treat lesions in his brain. Pray the Research Study he is in would be able to rightly diagnose the disease and prescribe the right course of treatment. Pray the Lord's hand of healing would be upon him, and that Rod would quickly recover from and soon be completely free of the lesions. Pray God's hand of provision, protection, and strength would soon see Rod & his loved ones through this trial.
- Praise God Moe Johnson is recovering well from his surgery March 15th. Pray God would sovereignly eradicate any cancer from Moe's body, would relieve the numbness in his lower lip, left cheek, and left ear, and would take away his dizziness when he stands up.
- Please continue to pray for Pastor Mike De Jager of the First Reformed Church in Platte. Please pray for the Lord to heal his spine & stabilize his neck, especially where it attaches to the brain stem. Pray for the Lord to heal him quickly & completely & for Mike to be blessed with many years of active life ahead of him. Pray Mike, his wife, and his entire family would know the Lord's comfort, love, strength, and peace as they go through this trial.
- Please continue to pray for Lee Hanten, thanking God for the healing He has already provided, and asking Him to relieve the swelling and stiffness

in Lee's knee. Thank Him that Lee is able to drive again. Please pray for him to soon have complete flexibility and range of motion in his knee.

- Please pray for all who suffered in the recent school shootings in Nashville, TN. Pray for all who lost loved ones to know the Lord's comfort, love, peace, strength, and hope. Pray for any who were injured to soon recover completely. Pray for the Lord to heal the deep trauma and emotional and psychological wounds of the students, parents, school staff, and emergency responders. Pray all would somehow be able to eventually forgive the shooter and so not be bound to this tragedy forever.
- Please continue to pray for the survivors of the Turkish/Syrian earthquakes, asking God to surround them with the love and compassion of His Church, to strengthen the many volunteers with a double portion of His grace, to provide financial assistance to the many relief organizations working to bring the supplies and hope the people need, and to infuse in the people an understanding that God is still with them, that He loves them, and He will see them through this crisis. Pray as well for people affected by recent earthquakes in Peru, Colombia, and Ecuador, and in Pakistan and Afghanistan.
- Please also pray for those in the U.S., whose lives have been devastated by tornadoes, floods, blizzards, and other natural disasters. Pray they would know the Lord's comfort, love, & presence, & would feel His love in a tangible way as the Church reaches out to touch their lives.