

Series: Living a Resurrected Life

# Walking by the Spirit

If we live by the Spirit,  
let us also keep in step with the Spirit.

Galatians 5:25



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**Pastor Dave Martin**

4 Easter – May 11, 2025

9:30 AM Worship

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## *God Gathers His People to Worship*

Welcome & Announcements

Reception of New Partners in Ministry

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Opening Prayer

Sharing the Peace of the Lord

Songs **“Holy Spirit” & “King of My Heart”**

Confession (Together)

**Lord, we confess our lack of faith. We see a glimpse of what we ought to be and we know we fall short of the goal. We desire faith that is solid and unchanging, yet we crumble under trials and temptations. We want to be strong, but we know our weakness. Our sinful condition strips us of any spiritual gain that we humanly devise. Lord, forgive us. Accept us as we are, unworthy for the task, yet gifted for Your purposes. Grant us Your gift of Faith.**

Forgiveness (Pastor)

Our God is a great God. He knows our needs for all areas of life. He knows our weakness and our unbelieving hearts. Yet, He loved us enough to die on a cross to provide forgiveness of our sin. Now the focus is not on the faith that we can muster, but on the great gifts He gives us daily as we trust Him. God has given us the gift of faith—faith for the moment. . .faith for every trial. . .faith for every temptation. . .faith for every difficult situation. Praise God for His gift of faith.

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

Scripture Lessons:

Ezekiel 36:25-27

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John 16:13-15

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Children's Sermon

Sermon **“Walking by the Spirit”**

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*Give Thanks to God*

High School Graduates Quilt Presentation

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Song **“Hymn of Heaven”**

Apostles Creed

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 **“Made for More”**

Benediction

*Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve*

Thank you for joining us this morning to worship! We continue the sermon series “Living a Resurrected Life.” Please join us for fellowship and coffee and cookies in the fellowship hall following the service.

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**May 4 General Offering: \$3758.00 Attendance: 115**

**May Mission Fund Offering – Feeding Ministry: \$370.00**

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**Greeters** May 11—Zach & Lizzy Warejcka  
May 18—Mick & Sharon Warejcka  
May 25—Derek & Wendy Wollman

**Ushers** May 11—Mike Konechne & Derek Wollman  
May 18 & 25—Tom Boltjes & Ryan Lantz

**Available for Prayer (Classroom #3)** Jerry Dykstra & Jan DuFrain  
**Coffee Cookie Servers**

May 11—Connie Kirsch, Estelle Konechne, Tori Konechne  
May 18—Taylor Koopal, Vicki Koopal, Jeanne Kott  
May 25—Traci Kott, Gladys Kuipers

**Today, we welcome Brian Stanforth** as a Partner in Ministry here at Trinity! We are so glad you have decided to join us! Welcome to our church family!

**Today our High School Seniors** will be presented with a quilt made by the ladies of our congregation to congratulate them on their accomplishment. *Congrats to Lacie Chambers, Emmie Huizenga, Addison DeVries, Isabel Meyerink, LaRae Severson, Riley Timmerman, Carson Vanden Berge & Jaxen Wollman!*

On the back of the pews are the “**Sleep in Heavenly Peace**” quilts that the Trinity Quilters and others from our community have made! They quilted 35 quilts to go to children who don’t have a bed in the Mitchell and surrounding areas.

**Priscilla Bible Study Group** will meet Thursday, May 15 at 9:00 AM studying Lesson 5, Leader: Paula Nelson, Hostess: Sharon Rommen

**Hannah Bible Study Group** will meet Thursday, May 15 at 1:30 PM studying Lesson 5, Leader: Caroline Butler, Hostess: Karen Dimick

**Martha Bible Study Group** will meet Monday, May 19 at 6:30 PM Studying Lesson 5 – Remembering God’s Faithfulness

***Thank you to everyone who helped with the annual church cleaning this week!*** Please finish by the 14<sup>th</sup> if you haven't so already!

**Please join us Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, for the Confirmation of Ella Schrank, our lone 8<sup>th</sup> grader this year.** Ella has boldly decided to affirm her baptism individually rather than waiting to be confirmed next year with our current 7<sup>th</sup> graders. Come hear her give her Statement of Faith and receive the rite of Confirmation. It will be a glorious day!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR VBS:** Community VBS will be held at Trinity Lutheran church on July 28-31 from 4:30pm-7:30pm. Students who completed Half-day Kindergarten and Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade may attend. Registration will be coming out soon!!!

### **Samaritan's Purse Church Donation Makes a Big Impact**

Our church is overjoyed to share the meaningful impact of a recent donation made through Samaritan's Purse. Thanks to the generous giving of our congregation, we were able to donate **\$1,957.10 in March**, which went directly toward providing life-sustaining resources to communities in need around the world. With this amount, we were able to fund:

- **1 livestock animal**
- **360 chickens**
- **5 goats/dairy animals**
- **5 fruit trees**
- **6 farm and garden kits**
- **Emergency food supplies**

Each of these items plays a vital role in improving food security, providing income opportunities, and supporting long-term sustainability for families. From fresh eggs and milk to fruit harvests and garden produce, this gift helps ensure both immediate nourishment and a path toward self-reliance. We thank God for the opportunity to be His hands and feet in service, and we celebrate what can be achieved when a community comes together with compassion and purpose. **We will be again in May designating our Mission Fund Offerings towards Samaritan's Purse – feeding missions.** To donate, please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and note "Mission Fund" on offering envelope or check memo.

**We would like to thank the community for all the donations you bring to us.** We continue to take all to the Abbot House, St. Francis House, Children's Home Society, the Foster Network, Union Gospel Mission, Bishop Duley House and Center of Hope. ***The missions are specifically looking for donations of XL, 2,3,4,5X men's clothes. Work boots. Also towels, bras, men's and women's underwear, socks.*** Put in bags & mark what is in them. Please call ahead Gloria Kok (605-207-0096) or Shirley Johnson (605-207-0388) to drop off. Thanks again.

#### WOW Mission Project for May & June:

**Purse Project**—Purse (new or gently used) filled with items such as Lotion, Nail file, Nail clipper, Chapstick, Comb, Small brush, Kleenex, Sanitary hygiene products, Band-Aids, Mints, Gum, Antibacterial hand wash, Devotional or *anything you might carry in your purse.*

*\*Collection will go through the end of June. There is a box in the fellowship hall to place the purses.*

#### Operation Shoebox

It's time once again to make a meaningful impact by filling shoeboxes for children in need across Guatemala and Central America! These boxes serve as both a blessing and a powerful tool for sharing the gospel to experience the love of Jesus. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has faithfully contributed in previous years! There are several ways you can participate:

1. **Fill shoeboxes** following the provided guidelines and suggestion sheets. Please include \$5 per box to cover shipping costs.
2. **Donate items** to be used in packing the boxes.
3. **Contribute financially** to help with shipping fees, shoebox supplies, and distribution expenses.
4. **Send checks** to the Tom Vander Pol Memorial Fund at: 27406 377th Ave., Harrison, SD 57344. Larger donations may be sent directly to Living Water Teaching at: PO Box 1190, Caddo Mills, TX 75135.

For further details, feel free to contact Pat Vander Pol at (243) 2275 or (680) 2166, or email [lwt@lwtusa.org](mailto:lwt@lwtusa.org). **Important Dates:** Shoeboxes are due by **June 15**. Distribution will take place from **Nov 28 to Dec 6**.

## *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 Joyce VanderHam's niece, Jennifer Groske, in your prayers as she recovers from brain surgery performed on May 9th. Pray the tumor would be benign & now that it's removed that her hearing would be completely restored. Pray for her to heal quickly, that there would be no long-lasting ill effects from the tumor, & that she would feel the Lord's comforting presence throughout.
- Please keep Joel & Pam Olson in your prayers as they await reports on his bladder biopsy & his latest MRI. Pray the reports would bring good news & would not require major surgery. Pray they would know the Lord's comforting presence & might have a long season of good health & vitality ahead of them.
- Please keep Dave & Jeanne Kott in your prayers as they await the results of a second TEE at Mayo done on May 9th to determine if they might be able to repair his leaky heart valve via the groin. Pray the TEE would reveal this is a viable option. Pray for his blood clot in his right lung to dissolve & for his heart valve surgery to be scheduled soon. Pray they would know the Lord's presence throughout.
- Please keep Jean & Mike Binder & their family (friends of the Martins) in your prayers. Jean's growth is malignant & is a very aggressive cancer. It is considered incurable. Praise God Jean had a pretty good week with little pain other than an occasional headache. Pray for a miracle in their life & for God to give them many good days together. Pray His comforting presence allows them to know joy & peace in their trials.
- Praise God Mick Warejcka's heart went back into rhythm following his cardioversion May 6th. Pray his heart will maintain proper rhythm & his blood pressure will stabilize in a healthy range. Pray for Mick, Sharon, & all their loved ones to know God's presence throughout.
- Please keep Mike Erickson in your prayers. The end of life seems very near. Pray God would allow him to pass peacefully soon. Please pray Mike & all his loved ones will know the Lord's comfort, love, peace, & strength in this difficult time.
- Please pray for Peggy Martin's sister, Bonnie Hubbs, who has an abscess on her appendix. It is positioned in a way that doctors cannot drain it. She

will be on antibiotics until her surgery sometime in June. Pray she & all her loved ones would feel the Lord's love & presence in all this.

- Please pray God would: bless George & Nancy Miller & help her to recover from a hairline hip fracture; keep her pain at a minimum; give George the grace with which to care for & encourage Nancy; & fill them with His comfort, peace, strength, & joy, and give them many good days together. Praise God as well that their daughter, Debbie Martin, continues to do well in her battle with ovarian & uterine cancer & was able to quit chemo. Pray she, her husband, Tom, & the whole family know God's peace throughout this trial.
- Please keep Floyd & Karen Dimick in your prayers, asking God to: restore Floyd's kidney function, reduce his fluid retention, strengthen them both & fill them with His love, peace, joy, & hope. Pray they could have a season of extended good health & vitality & be blessed with great joy & peace. His new address is Room 4, Avera Care Center.
- Please keep Beau Koopal & his loved ones in your prayers as he battles MOGAD. Pray: he would continue to feel good & be able to remain active, his insurance would agree to pay for needed medication, and he & his family would continue to feel the Lord's love & provision.
- Please pray for Karla & Conrad Kuipers, asking God to provide a way for Karla's cancer to be healed & for both to grow in strength, energy, & hope. Pray they would be actively aware of God's love & presence in their lives.
- Praise God for Kory Meyerink's daily improvement from back surgery, but there is a point in his physical therapy regimen where he seems to get "stuck." Pray God would help him get "unstuck" & he could begin to feel a real improvement in the health, flexibility, & strength of his back. Pray for Kory & his loved ones to know God is with them every step of the way.



# Reception of New Partners in Ministry

We welcome Brian Stanforth as a **New Partner in Ministry** at here at Trinity Lutheran Church and asks that he comes forward.

We thank God for bringing you into our church family and we welcome you with open arms. We want you to know there is a place for you here to use the gifts God has given you. We pray you would actively join us in proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ & in building His Kingdom here on earth.

We also want you to realize we have expectations of you. It is our hope you will always be growing in the seven marks of discipleship we studied in our Discovering Membership class. So I ask you in the presence of this congregation, do you intend to: grow in the disciplines of prayer and Bible study; attend worship regularly; serve God as you serve others; pursue spiritual friendships; expect the best of God, yourselves, and others; and give generously of your time, your talents, and your treasures?

If so, please respond: **I do, and I ask God to help me.**

## Questions to the Congregation:

Congregation, do you promise to warmly welcome **Brian Stanforth** into our church; to pray for him; and to do all you can to encourage him in his walk with the Lord?

If so, please respond: **We do, and we ask God to help us.**

**Prayer:** Laying on of hands & prayer.

Please join me now in receiving **Brian Stanforth** into our church family with heartfelt applause.

# High School Graduates Quilt Presentation

Leader: As you mark this important educational milestone in your life, we, your family of faith, give thanks to God for His blessings poured out in your life. We especially thank Him for gifts of learning; for knowledge and skills, for curiosity and discovery, for abilities and talents, for school teachers and school staff and for supportive parents. And we give thanks for you!

**Congregation: For all these gifts, we thank you, Lord!**

## Presentation of Quilts

Representatives from Good Will Quilters:

May your quilt – made from many pieces into one quilt – remind you of your place in God’s family through your baptism.

May your quilt – tied and held together with many knots – remind you as you face new opportunities and challenges that it is in God and His Word that your life holds together.

May your quilt – soft and warm – comfort you, warm you and remind you of God’s loving comfort and mercy towards you in Jesus Christ.

As you travel new paths and make new friends may your quilt remind you of your friends in Christ here at Trinity Lutheran Church and may it remind you that you are always welcome here among your old friends.

**Congregation: May God bless you and keep you as you follow new paths in life. May He make his face shine on you and be gracious to you as you move on to new experiences and places. May He look upon you with favor and give you peace where you may be, now and always. Amen.**

# *Class of 2025*

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Lacie Chambers

Emmie Huizenga

Addison DeVries

Isabel Meyerink

LaRae Severson

Riley Timmerman

Carson Vanden Berge

Jaxen Wollman

## **Holy Spirit**

There's nothing worth more that will ever come close,  
Nothing can compare, You're our living hope. Your Presence, Lord.

I've tasted and seen of the sweetest of loves, Where my heart becomes  
free and my shame is undone. Your Presence, Lord.

*Chorus:* Holy Spirit, You are welcome here.  
Come flood this place and fill the atmosphere.  
Your glory, God, is what our hearts long for,  
To be overcome by Your Presence, Lord.

Let us become more aware of Your Presence.  
Let us experience the glory of Your goodness. (x3)

## ***Chorus***

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## **King Of My Heart**

Let the King of my heart be the mountains where I run  
The fountain I drink from Oh He is my song  
Let the King of my heart be the shadow where I hide  
The ransom for my life Oh He is my song

*Chorus:* You are good good oh, You are good good oh  
You are good good oh, You are good good oh

Let the King of my heart be the wind inside my sails  
The anchor in the waves Oh He is my song  
Let the King of my heart be the fire inside my veins  
The echo of my days Oh He is my song

## ***Chorus***

You're never gonna let never gonna let me down  
You're never gonna let never gonna let me down (x4)

## ***Chorus***

When the night is holding on to me God is holding on (x2)

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## **Hymn of Heaven**

How I long to breathe the air of Heaven, Where pain is gone and mercy fills  
the streets, To look upon the one who bled to save me and walk with Him for  
all eternity

*Chorus:* There will be a day when all will bow before Him  
There will be a day when death will be no more  
Standing face to face with He who died and rose again, Holy, holy is the Lord  
And ev'ry prayer we prayed in desperation, The songs of faith we sang  
through doubt and fear, In the end we'll see that it was worth it  
When He returns to wipe away our tears

*Chorus*

And on that day we join the resurrection, And stand beside the heroes  
of the faith, With one voice a thousand generations  
Sing worthy is the Lamb who was slain, Forever He shall reign

*Chorus*

So let it be today we shout the hymn of Heaven  
With angels and the Saints we raise a mighty roar  
Glory to our God who gave us life beyond the grave  
Holy, holy is the Lord. Holy, holy is the Lord. Holy, holy is the Lord.

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## **Made For More**

I know who I am 'cause I know who You are, The cross of salvation was only  
the start, Now I am chosen free and forgiven, I have a future and it's worth  
the living

*Chorus:* 'Cause I wasn't made to be tending a grave, I was called by name,  
Born and raised back to life again, I was made for more  
So why would I make a bed in my shame when a fountain of grace  
is running my way, I know I am Yours and I was made for more *(repeat all)*

Hallelujah! You called out my name, so I'll sing out Your praise  
Hallelujah! You buried my past, I'm not going back *(x2)*

*Chorus*

Hallelujah! You called out my name, so I'll sing out Your praise  
Hallelujah! You buried my past, I'm not going back

*Chorus*

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