

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. 2 Corinthians 5:21



God Gathers His People to Worship

Welcome & Announcements Opening Prayer Sharing the Peace of the Lord Songs **"Goodness of God" "Believe for It"**

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: Psalm 130:1-8 Romans 5:1-11 Children's Sermon

Page 658 Page 1198 Jonna DeHaan Sermon Text: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 Sermon **"A Heavenly Renovation"** Page 1228 Lee Hanten

Give Thanks to God

Song **"Thank You Jesus"** 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

Celebration of Holy Communion

Words of Institution The Lord's Prayer Distribution Communion Blessing

God Calls Us to Serve

Song **"I Believe"** Benediction

Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve

Thank you for joining us this morning to worship! **Thank you to Lee Hanten for giving us our message this morning!** Please join us for fellowship and coffee and cookies in the fellowship hall following the service.

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May 11 General Offering: \$3861.40 Attendance: 125 May Mission Fund Offering – Feeding Ministry: \$898.00

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Greeters May 18—Zach & Lizzy Warejcka May 25—Derek & Wendy Wollman Ushers May 18 & 25—Tom Boltjes & Ryan Lantz Communion Servers Lee Hanten, Jay VanDerWerff, Scott Dingus Available for Prayer (Classroom #3) Jeff Engebretson & Mary Ringling Coffee Cookie Servers

May 18—Taylor Koopal, Vicki Koopal, Jeanne Kott May 25—Traci Kott, Gladys Kuipers

Join us for a Hymn Sing at the Avera Care Center today at 2:30 pm. Stay for coffee, goodies and fellowship following the hymn sing.

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

Church Council meets on Monday, May 19th.

Please join us Sunday, June 1st, for the Confirmation of Ella Schrank, our lone 8th grader this year. Ella has boldly decided to affirm her baptism individually rather than waiting to be confirmed next year with our current 7th 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 5th grade may attend. Register here: https://tlcplattesd.breezechms.com/form/508c301325

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.

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.
- 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. **Important Dates:** Shoeboxes are due by **June 15.** Distribution will take place from **Nov 28 to Dec 6.**

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.

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 Mike Erickson in your prayers as they mourn his passing on May 8th. Praise God Mike had a strong faith & wasn't afraid to die. Please pray Mary Lee, Terry, Cheri, Rick, & all Mike's family & friends will be able to grieve properly but will not be crushed by their grief. Pray their faith would grow, they would feel Christ's presence with them, and all would be safe as they travel to & from Mike's services. Mike's visitation is at Trinity on Tuesday, May 20th, from 6 to 7 PM. His Prayer Service will follow at 7 PM. Mike's Celebration of Life Service is Wednesday, May 21st, at 10:30 AM, with a light lunch in the Fellowship Hall immediately following. The Graveside Service will be at West Trinity Cemetery at 1:00 PM.
- Please keep Joyce VanderHam's niece, Jennifer Groske, in your prayers as she recovers from brain surgery performed on May 16th. 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, thanking God that his bladder biopsy revealed no cancer and that His MRI revealed no cancer in the cervical area. Pray: future MRIs would be cancer free, they would know the Lord's comforting presence, & they might have a long season of good health & vitality ahead of them.
- Please keep Dave & Jeanne Kott in your prayers, thanking God Dave's second TEE revealed his heart valve can be repaired via the groin, & July 3rd has been set for his surgery. Pray the Lord's hand of protection, provision, & healing are with Dave as he awaits surgery, goes through surgery, & recovers from surgery. Pray Dave, Jeanne, & all their loved ones would know God's peace, love, & strength throughout this trial.
- Please keep Jean & Mike Binder & their family (friends of the Martins) in your prayers. Praise God Jean is recovering well from her brain surgery & is in good spirits. Pray as she begins chemo & radiation in a few weeks that she will continue to do well and will, in fact, improve dramatically. Pray this family would know God walks with them & they would thrive through this trial.

- 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 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 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 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 company would keep their word & make a decision by May 24th & that they will 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.

Goodness of God

I love You Lord, Oh Your mercy never fails me, All my days I've been held in Your hands. From the moment that I wake up until I lay my head. I will sing of the goodness of God

Chorus: All my life You have been faithful, All my life You have been so, so good. With every breath that I am able, I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice, You have led me through the fire In darkest night, You are close like no other, I've known You as a father, I've known You as a friend, I have lived in the goodness of God *Chorus*

Your goodness is running after, It's running after me

Your goodness is running after, It's running after me

With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now

I give You everything, Your goodness is running after it's running after me

Chorus x2 I will sing of the goodness of God.

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<u>Believe For It</u>

They say this mountain can't be moved. They say these chains will never break. But they don't know You like we do. There is power in Your name

We've heard that there is no way through. We've heard the tide will never change. They haven't seen what You can do There is power in Your name. So much power in Your name

Chorus: Move the immovable. Break the unbreakable God we believe. God we believe for it. From the impossible we'll see a miracle. God we believe. God we believe for it

We know that hope is never lost Oh for there is still an empty grave. God we believe no matter what There is power in Your name. So much power in Your name

Chorus

You are the way when there seems to be no way We trust in You God You have the final say (x3)

Chorus

You said it. I believe it. You said it. It is done. (X3)

Chorus

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<u>Thank You Jesus</u>

Thank You Jesus for finding me, Like a good shepherd Your mercy leads Back to Your arms where I'm meant to be, So I thank You Jesus for finding me

Thank You Jesus for saving me, You took my place on that cursed tree Died for sinners but rose as a King, So I thank You Jesus for saving me

Chorus: Oh it's only because of all You've done That I can be called a friend of God Oh beautiful Savior what else can I do But lift up my voice and say thank You

Thank You Jesus for loving me, Shame lost its hold when You set me free Every fear has to bow at Your feet, So I thank You Jesus for loving me

Chorus

I enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving I enter the courts of the Lord with praise (x4)

Chorus x2 Oh thank You, Oh thank You

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<u>I Believe</u>

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 In Jesus Mighty Name I believe

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