

Freedom in Christ

FREEDOM

from the Bondage of Sin



**For the wages of sin is death,
but the free gift of God is eternal life
in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Romans 6:23



PO Box 427 - 500 S Penn Ave

Pastor Dave Martin

4 Trinity – July 13, 2025

9:30 AM Worship

God Gathers His People to Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Sharing the Peace of the Lord

Song **“Come, Thou Almighty King”**

LBW 522

We Confess Our Sin (together):

Lord, we come before You in prayer today, asking for forgiveness. We have not loved as we ought to love, we have not given as we ought to give, and we have fallen short of the mark of truly being your obedient sons and daughters. We recognize our sin and in this moment of silence, we privately remember our shortcomings in love and life.

Silence for Reflection

We Hear the Good News (Pastor):

God, our heavenly Father, hears the prayers of His children and answers those prayers. Our prayer for forgiveness is answered in the person of Jesus Christ, His Son, who died for our sin that we might have new life in Him. The distance between God and ourselves has been brought together by His love made perfect in the sacrifice of His Son. Praise God for His gift of love to us. Amen.

God Speaks to Us in His Holy Word

Scripture Lessons:

Psalm 146:1-10

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Galatians 5:1, 13-15

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Children’s Sermon

Song **“Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing”**

LBW 499

Sermon **"Freedom from the Bondage of Sin"**

Series: Freedom in Christ

Give Thanks to God

Song **"Lord of All Hopefulness"**

LBW 469

Apostles Creed

Offering

Offertory

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

God Calls Us to Serve

Song **"Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"**

LBW 559

Benediction

Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve

Thank you for joining us this morning to worship! We continue the sermon series **"Freedom in Christ."** ***In this month in which we celebrate our country's freedom, let us also celebrate the freedom we have in Jesus Christ.*** Please join us for coffee and cookies in the fellowship hall following the service.

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July 6 General Offering: \$4551.00 Attendance: 87

July Mission Fund Offering – Feeding Ministry: \$190.00

Musician Donna Nelson

Greeters July 13—Kory & Tonya Standy

July 20—Steve & Liz Spawn

July 27—Kevin & Tara Severson

Ushers July 13 & 20—Tony Schrank & Ryan Kott

July 27 & Aug 3— Mike Gilbertz & Jeff Engebretson

Available for Prayer (Classroom #3) Kyle Meyerink & Shirley Johnson

Coffee Cookie Servers

July 13—Rebecca Qualm, Donna Nelson

July 20—Nicki Reiser, Amy Ringling

July 27—Mary Ringling, Brittany Ruen

Happy Summer! It is time for a new Bible study! ***Martha group will be beginning the Bible study UNASHAMED by Christine Caine.***

Unashamed is our usual format, a video with a study guide. It consists of 5 lessons that will conclude in November and then we will do an Advent study again. Study guides can be purchased for \$13 at Amazon. Mary Ringling has preordered some if anyone is interested, contact her. **Our first lesson will be Tuesday, July 15th at 6:30 pm in the Fireside Fellowship room.**

Priscilla Bible Study Group will meet Thursday, July 17 at 9:00 AM studying Lesson 7, Leader: LouAnn Qualm, Hostess: Joyce VanderHam

Hannah Bible Study Group will meet Thursday, July 17 at 1:30 PM studying Lesson 7, Leader: Peggy Martin, Hostess: Pearl Feiok

Ministry Opportunity! ***New Hope Christian Camp in Platte is seeking two people to serve on the Board of Directors.*** The board meets quarterly. Please prayerfully seek God's guidance as to whether He is calling you or someone you know to serve in the camping ministry. Please email us at newhopechristiancamp@outlook.com with contact information and any questions you may have. You can also contact any board member, and they would be happy to talk to you about it. Board members are Tracy Nelson, Pastor Dave Martin, Melissa Huizenga, Amanda Hermanek, & Matthew Brink. Thank you for your support and prayers!

July's Mission Offering is designated for Samaritan's Purse Food Ministry. We like the flexibility this ministry provides as it not only feeds people living in famine conditions but also provides individual families with a reliable, ongoing source of food, which can, in time, make them self-sufficient.

For instance, we gave \$402.10 to provide emergency rations of grain to starving people. The grain might be wheat, oats, barley, rye, or rice depending on what part of the world is being served. But wherever the people are helped, they will receive a grain compatible with their diet that will provide several nutritious meals. We also contributed money to provide a week of food for 20 severely malnourished children. This food is extra high in vitamins, minerals, and nutrients to get them through those tough initial days nursing them back to health. We also contributed money to a hot meal program that will feed 23 children for a week.

38 different families received a dozen chickens, which can provide nutritious eggs to be eaten or incubated into more chicks. If these families manage their eggs and chickens well, they can one day have a reliable ongoing source of food, while also possibly providing items to sell or barter. 5 farmers received 30 seedlings, which can provide valuable fruit as well as much needed shade. 7 families received goats, which can provide valuable milk, butter, and cheese. 2 farmers received a large piece of livestock such as an ox or cow, that can be used as a draft animal enabling the farmer to produce more crops. Cows, of course, also provide valuable milk, cream, butter, and cheese. And 6 farmers received disease-resistant plants and seeds, planting tools, and valuable training in successful farming techniques.

Please help support these efforts to feed people around the world. We can't feed everyone, but we certainly can make a difference in the lives of those we are able to feed. If you would like to donate, please make checks payable to Trinity Lutheran Church and note on check memo or in offering envelope "Mission Fund."

Community VBS will be held at Trinity Lutheran church on **Monday, July 28 - Thursday, July 31 from 4:30 pm - 7:30 pm** for students who completed half-day Kindergarten through 5th grade. *"Sometimes life can get a little messy. The good news is, Jesus loves messy people."*

There will be nursery available at First Reformed Church for volunteers who have younger kids. Supper will be provided each evening for students and volunteers! Scan the QR codes below to sign up.

Student
Sign-up



Volunteer
Sign-up



We are looking for donations of ground beef for VBS. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Please bring ground beef donations to the church kitchen freezers by Sunday, July 20.

Dementia Dialogues

If you have a friend or a loved one you suspect may be suffering from dementia, or if you just want to learn more about this debilitating disease, plan to attend "The Dementia Dialogues" being held August 11th, 18th, and 25th at Platte Health Center Avera, 601 E. 7 St., Platte, SD, 57369. The classes are free and will be held from 5:30 to 8:30 pm in the Main Floor Conference Room. A light meal will be served each night.

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:

- Praise God Sarah Hoffman is feeling better since the infection in her body has cleared up. Please continue to pray boldly in Jesus's name that the sciatic nerve pain in her right leg would be gone completely, that the swelling in her right leg & ankle would be gone, & that the bone chips in her right ankle would cease to bother her. Pray she would feel the Lord's healing in body, soul, & spirit, & that she & Bob would feel the Lord's close-abiding presence in everything they do.
- Praise God for Gene Van Zee's successful leg surgery & for how well he feels. His pain is minimal & He's only taking an occasional Tylenol. Pray that doctors would be amazed when they x-ray his leg & ankle & see how quickly the fractures have healed. Pray he & Faith would know the Lord's love, peace, strength, & joy throughout.
- Praise God for Dave Kott's successful heart surgery & for how well he feels. Pray for God's healing, protection, & provision to be upon Dave & for him to follow his doctor's orders & not overdo it. May God bless Dave & Jeanne & all their loved ones with His presence, His peace, His love, & His joy as they walk out Dave's recovery together.
- Praise God for healing Jim Scoblic (Pr. Dave's friend) of bone cancer. When he went to talk to the doctor about treatment options, doctors could find no sign of cancer in Jim's body. They called it a premature diagnosis. We call it God's sovereign response to prayer. Please continue to pray for Jim's A-fib to be healed & for him to fully accept Jesus as his Lord & Savior.
- Please keep Larry Kuiper in your prayers. He is recovering well from his surgery on June 13th but is facing radiation soon. Pray the radiation only kills cancer cells & does no harm to healthy tissue. Pray Larry would have no long-term ill effects from the radiation & that future scans will show no cancer in his body. Pray for Larry & Mary Beth & all their loved ones to feel the Lord's close-abiding presence, power, love, & peace in this trial.
- Praise God Floyd Dimick continues to look & feel stronger daily. Please pray for his continued improvement & for God to heal Karen of abdominal problems. Please pray for both to feel especially good on May 17th, as they celebrate Floyd's 94th birthday. Pray for them to walk in the confidence of Christ's love & provision.

- Please keep Jean & Mike Binder (friends of the Martins) & their family in your prayers. Jean is doing well but is beginning to be fatigued by the radiation. Please pray her remaining 10 radiation sessions go well & for her upcoming scans to show no signs of cancer. Pray for Mike to stay strong as her caregiver and for this entire family to feel the Lord's comfort, love, strength, & peace.
- Please keep Peggy's brother, Leroy Olesen, in your prayers. He recently had 2 stents implanted in occluded blood vessels. He felt much better immediately, but doctors want him to recover from that surgery before they treat his abdominal hernia. Pray he would be cleared for surgery soon & that his hernia surgery would be a success. Pray for a quick recovery as his business requires him to do lots of heavy lifting. Pray for him to grow closer to the Lord & for him to truly experience Christ's presence throughout.
- Thank God Nancy Miller's hip is healing & that her pain has greatly diminished. Pray for her confusion to clear up & for her thinking to be lucid. Thank Him that George continues to do well. Pray God's hand would be upon George & Nancy & all those who love them.
- Please keep Beau Koopal & his loved ones in your prayers as he battles MOGAD. His insurance company has approved a pill he can take for now. Pray he would be able to find an in-network provider at Mayo that could give him access to the infusion doctors say he needs. Please pray the Lord will sovereignly heal him, that he will continue to feel good & be able to remain active, and he would continue to feel the Lord's love & provision.
- Praise God Joyce VanderHam's niece, Jennifer Groske, is improving nicely from May 16th brain surgery. She is now walking & able to drive on some of the country roads near her home. Pray her sense of balance would improve daily & that her hearing would soon return to normal. Pray for all nerve functions to be restored, & for her to feel Christ at work in their lives.
- Please pray for Tom Espland & his wife, Mary. Tom is getting weaker & is requiring more help from Mary. He is dreaming of his deceased mother & brother regularly and seems to be getting closer to death with each passing day. Please pray God would bless every day Tom has left & would have him & Mary well prepared for what lies ahead. We thank God for this couple's strong faith & ask God to be their strength & peace.
- Please pray for Pr. Dave's & Peggy's daughter-in-law, Koni, that God would untangle the red tape around her visa application and would expedite her approval to stay in the U.S. Pray for Koni & John, who were married 10 months ago, that God would keep their love for one another strong & would soon allow them to live together as husband & wife.