SERIES: WHAT'S SO AMAZING ABOUT GRACE

Els

The Gift that Keeps on Giving

For by grace you have been saved through faith.

And this is not your own doing;

it is the gift of God,

Ephesians 2:8



PO Box 427 - 500 S Penn Ave

Pastor Dave Martin

18 Trinity — September 29, 2024 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 "You Servants of God"

LBW 252

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Confident in the assurance of forgiveness through Jesus Christ, let us confess our sin in the presence of God.

Silence for reflection

C: Heavenly Father, we confess to you that we choose to walk in places far from your light. We neglect opportunities to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with you. We hide the light that is your gift to us. Forgive us and guide us in our way, that we may shine before others and give you the glory. Amen.

P: Arise, shine, your light has come. God forgives us all our sins through the wisdom and power of the cross and sends the Holy Spirit to rest upon us. People of God, no longer live in darkness, but in the light of Christ. **All: Amen.**

God Speaks to Us in His Holy Word

Scripture Lessons:

Psalm 36:5-12 Page 590 John 1:14-18 Page 1127

Children's Sermon

Song "Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing" LBW 499

Sermon Text: Ephesians 2:1-10 Page 1242

Sermon "The Gift that Keeps on Giving"

Series: What's So Amazing About Grace

Give Thanks to God

Song "I Will Sing of the Mercies"

Chorus: I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever I will sing I will sing I will sing I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever I will sing of the mercies of the Lord

With my mouth will I make known Thy faithfulness Thy faithfulness With my mouth will I make known Thy faithfulness to all generations

Chorus

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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 "Let All Things Now Living"

LBW 557

Benediction

Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve

Thank you for joining us this morning to worship with us! We begin the sermon series "What's So Amazing About Grace." Please join us following the service with coffee and goodies in the fellowship hall. Sunday School will begin at 10:45 AM with singing in the sanctuary and then to classrooms for lessons until 11:45 AM.

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Sept 22 General Offering: \$2870.00 Attendance: 122

Greeters Sept 29—Jeff & Jackie Olsen

Oct 6—Jeff & Dawn Konstanz

Oct 13-Mike & Estelle Konechne

Oct 20—Jeremiah & Tori Konechne

Oct 27—Troy & Connie Kirsch

Ushers Sept 29 & Oct 6—Randy Tegethoff & Foster Tegethoff

Oct 13 & 20—LeRoy Severson & Jeff Konstanz

Oct 27—Confirmation Students

Coffee Cookie Servers

Sept 29—Wanda Johnson, Estelle Konechne, Tori Konechne

Oct 6—Connie Kirsch, Dawn Konstanz, Jeanne Kott

Oct 13—Traci Kott, Mary Beth Kuiper, Gladys Kuipers

Oct 20—Carla Lantz, Peggy Martin, Erynn Meyerink

Oct 27—Tricia Meyerink, Alisha Nachtigal, Donna Nelson

Monday, September 30 from 1:00-2:15 PM, we will continue a Bible Study on the book of John. Following an opening prayer, we will start each session by watching one chapter of the book of John on the Visual Bible. There is something powerful about hearing God's Word and seeing it walked out on the television screen before us. After watching the video, we will read through the chapter and discuss it.

Weekly Men's breakfast and Bible study meets this **Saturday, October 5 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.

Bible Instruction for all third graders will begin Wednesday, October 23⁻⁻, and will meet weekly on Wednesdays through November 13⁻⁻. Classes will be held in the North Overflow Room and will run from 3:45 to 5:00 PM. If possible, we would like to have a parent, grandparent, or other family member accompany each child to help them in our journey through God's Word. A light snack will be served each session. Please let Pastor Dave know if your child has any dietary restrictions. Also, please confirm with the office that your child will be attending and who will accompany them. Bible presentations will be made Sunday, November 17⁻ during the worship service.

Our Mission Opportunity for the month of October is Kingdom Boundaries Prison Aftercare located in Sioux Falls. KBPA is a faithbased 501c3 ministry whose vision is to reduce recidivism by fostering Christian character one person at a time. (Recidivism is the return rate of prisoners going back to prison.) KBPA builds relationships with prisoners through an inmate mentoring program. Upon the prisoner's release from prison, his mentor is there to meet him and help him find his way outside of prison. KBPA's Prison Aftercare has five core components: mentoring, education, counseling and spiritual guidance, housing support, and assistance in finding a job. KBPA currently provides transitional housing for 21 men in three buildings. Participants in the program are not given a free ride. They pay rent monthly and their portion of the utilities. KBPA has purchased land in Sioux Falls and is in the process of building a new facility that could house 58 men and 21 women as well as host their offices and classrooms. To donate, please write a check to Trinity with KBPA in the memo, or place cash in a sealed envelope indicating the amount you wish to go to this mission. This offering will be taken October 13th.

The Vine's Bountiful Table

(FREE MEAL to anyone 50 yrs. or older is welcomed)
Menu: Thursday, October 10th@ 5:30pm: Can Cooker Meal
You're not going to want to miss this delicious food!! You can sign up at
CRC or Norma's cell (605-680-1691)

TEC #21 is in the plans! Missouri Valley TEC is a Christ-centered ministry dedicated to bringing teens into vital relationship with God, developing strong Christian leaders in their communities and the world.

Dates: November 22-24, 2024 Go to movalleytec.org for all applications: candidate, teen worker and Adult worker. Questions? Call Shawn Wynia 605-680-2244 or Kris Kuipers 605-680-4694

Prayer Praises and Concerns

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

Bud Bakken, Mary Lee Erickson, Ruth Gruenig, Laura Johnson, Moe Johnson, Richard Johnson, George & Nancy Miller, Caroline Peterson

Please pray for:

- Please keep the friends & family of Donnie Curtis in your prayers, as they
 grieve his passing on September 22nd in Mitchell. Pray especially for his
 wife, Val, their son, Culynn & his wife, Meg, their daughter Tyann & her
 husband, Clay. Pray all of Donnie's loved ones would know the Lord's
 comfort, peace, love, strength, & hope as they mourn his death.
- Please keep Alison Dykstra's sister, Julie Pepper, her husband, Matt, & her entire family in your prayers. Julie is now in home hospice care and is at peace there. Alison & her sisters are taking turns helping Matt in his care of Julie. Please pray their presence will help ease Matt's load & will bring additional joy, love, & laughter to Julie. Pray for the Lord's presence to be so obvious in their home that even in this time of sadness, there is a great sense of His peace, love, joy, & comfort there.
- Please keep Moe Johnson in your prayers, asking the Lord to remove the growth that is returning on the left side of his neck. It is causing him considerable discomfort. Pray the Lord would sovereignly remove it. Pray also for the Lord's blessings on his sight, his hearing, and his feet, which have painful neuropathy.
- Please pray for Dave's & Peggy's new daughter-in-law, Koni, and for her extended family that they would know the Lord's comfort, strength, peace, and presence as they mourn the death of her father, Henry Tingson, 75, on Sept. 19th. Please also pray that her application for a visa into the U.S. would be expedited so she could soon join John in the U.S. Pray John's apartment in Pierre would provide a comfortable temporary home for them and for an affordable house to come on the market soon. Please also pray John's job, which he starts on October 9th, will go well for him & for those with whom he will be working.
- Praise God Karla Kuiper continues to improve, can drive again, and is back in a normal routine. Please pray her October 8th scan goes well and reveals nothing but good news. Pray also that she & her loved ones feel the Lord's close-abiding presence, comfort, peace, & love.

- Praise God Mike Erickson continues to do well. Thank Him Mike's cancer numbers continue to be very low. Pray his scan on Sept. 30th would reveal his cancer is gone completely. Pray God would stabilize his blood sugar levels and relieve the pain in his knee. Pray for Mike and all his loved ones to know God's close-abiding love & presence.
- Please continue to pray for Bud Bakken as he recovers from his hip surgery. Pray he would have less pain & would feel stronger with each passing day. Pray he would feel the Lord's comfort, love, & presence in all he does.
- Please keep Pr. Mike DeJager from 1st Reformed Church in your prayers.
 He recently had another stem cell procedure for his neck in hopes of
 reducing the abnormal measurements even further. Praise God the
 procedure went well. Please pray the Lord's hand would be upon Mike in
 his recovery and that his neck would be greatly improved by this
 procedure. Pray for Mike & his family to know the Lord's comfort & peace
 throughout.
- Please keep Calvary Baptist Church in your prayers as they search for a replacement for Pr. Dave Anderson. Pray God would make clear to the Call Committee exactly who they are to call, and that person would not only bless Calvary but would bless our entire community.