

GOD'S WILL *for You and Me*



1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing,
give thanks in all circumstances;
for this is the will of God
in Christ Jesus for you.



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Pastor Dave Martin

23 Trinity – November 23, 2025

9:30 AM Worship – 10:45 AM Sunday School

God Gathers His People to Worship

Welcome & Announcements

First Bible Presentation

Opening Prayer

Sharing the Peace of the Lord

Song **“We Praise You, O God”**

LBW 241

Confession & Forgiveness

P: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our failures, fears, and weaknesses to God, asking that we be restored to wholeness and peace.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

P: God, who cares for all,

P & C: we confess that we have not loved you and have not cared for ourselves, our neighbors, or the earth you created.

Take away our fear and our weakness, and make us strong witnesses in word and action to your redeeming love. Amen.

P: Our God is merciful, slow to anger, and rich in steadfast love. We celebrate the entire forgiveness of all our sin in the name of Jesus, who has restored us to God our maker. By the power of the Holy Spirit, be renewed to wholeness of life. **C: Amen.**

Baptism

Benson Kordell DeHaan

God Speaks to Us in His Holy Word

Scripture Lessons:

Psalm 100:1-5

(Student Bible Page 674) Page 635

Colossians 2:6-7

(Student Bible Page 1393) Page 1252

Children's Sermon

Song **“Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus”**

GHF 204

Sermon **“God’s Will for You and Me”**

Give Thanks to God

Song **“I Love You Lord”**

I love You, Lord, and I lift my voice
To worship You, O my soul rejoice.
Take joy, my King, in what You hear,
May it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear. (x2)

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Offering

Prayers of the Church

The Lord’s Prayer

God Calls Us to Serve

Song **“Praise and Thanksgiving”**

LBW 409

Benediction

Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve

Thank you for joining us this morning to worship! Please join us for coffee and cookies in the fellowship hall following the service.

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Nov 16 General Offering: \$3602.00 Attendance: 146

Mission Fund Offering: \$905.00 (month to date)

To GIVE ONLINE, go to our website tlcplattensed.org. Click on GIVE 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.

Musician Shirley Johnson

Greeters Nov 23—Donna Nelson & Peggy Martin

Nov 30—Andrew & Alisha Nachtigal

Dec 7—Josh & Jill Moret

Dec 14—Kyle & Tricia Meyerink

Dec 21—Ryan & Carla Lantz

Ushers Nov 23 & 30—Tyson Dyk & Lucas Suits

Dec 7 & 14—Austin DuFrain & Ethan DuFrain

Dec 21 & 28—Frank Cutler & Ross Ringling

Available for Prayer (*Classroom #3*) Jeff Engebretson & Mary Ringling

Coffee Cookie Servers

Nov 23—Carey Hoffman, Sarah Hoffman, Casey Holter

Nov 30—Kathy Holter, Susan Holter

Dec 7—Katie Hunhoff, Darla Johnson, Katie Johnson,

Dec 14—Melissa Johnson, Hailee Johnson, Lisa Johnson

Dec 21—Wanda Johnson, Estelle Konechne, Tori Konechne

Blessings to our third grade students who attended Bible Instruction:

Brenna DuFrain, Macie Hoffman, Blakely Johnson, Eve Meyerink and Ella Reiser! They met with Pastor Dave on 4 Wednesdays to look up key verses in their Faith Alive Bibles.

The rose on the altar today is in honor of Benson DeHaan who is baptized today! He is the son of Kordell & Ramsey DeHaan.

For the **November Mission Fund Offering**, we will be collecting for two missions. One will go to Marion Medical Missions to support a new well project, while the second will go to provide College Care Packages to our college and trade school students. Each student will receive an encouraging Christmas card with a gift card enclosed. For the next 2 weeks, there are cards available in the narthex for you to write a note of encouragement to our college students. The cards are designed to arrive around finals week to provide each student with a reminder that their church loves them and are thinking of them. Please designate on your check or offering envelope how much you are giving to each mission offering. Donations that don't specify how their money is to be spent will be split equally between the two causes. ***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."***

Christmas Program practice will continue during Sunday school on Sunday, November 23. These practices will be during regular Sunday School time from 10:45 AM - 11:45 AM in the student's classrooms. **No Sunday School on Sunday, November 23rd for Thanksgiving.** We will pick up after Thanksgiving break for practice on Sundays, December 7 & 14 and will have dress rehearsals from 10:45 AM - 12:00 PM in the sanctuary. The Christmas Program "Fullness of Time Christmas" is **Sunday evening, December 14 at 7:00 PM.**

The Angel Tree is up today! *Thank you for helping bring Christmas to so many who would not have Christmas without you!* As you shop, please consider small gifts that would fit inside of a shoebox or smaller. Also large ziplock bags can be stuffed and rolled up to help compact fluffy clothing items (coats/snowpants). This will help out immensely with postage costs and the delivery process. Each child will get 2 gifts, so if you pick both clothing and toy Angel for the same child, please wrap the clothing item and the toy item separately. **Please return wrapped presents to the church library by Sunday, Dec 7th.** *Thank you from the Angel Tree Committee: Marla Tegethoff & Connie Kirsch*

Advent Bible Study - sponsored by Martha Group **"Waiting Here for You"** by Louie Giglio - the season of Advent and show how your waiting is never wasted when you are waiting on God. ALL ARE WELCOME to join an Advent Journey of Hope!

Dates: **Mondays, Nov 24th, Dec 1st, 8th & 15th @ 6:30pm** in the Fireside Fellowship Room (**If inclement weather, make up day will be the Thursday of that week*) Books available at: Christianbook.com, Amazon, Walmart or contact Mary at 680-1893 to reserve a book (some have been preordered) **When ordering, purchase the "Bible Study Guide with streaming video"*

SAVE THE DATE! On Sunday December 7th at 5:00 PM, Rabbi Neal Surasky of Chosen People Ministries will present Christmas: The Greatest Day in Jewish History in our sanctuary. Rabbi Neal was with us in March 2024 to present The Messiah in the Passover. Come hear the good news about the long-promised Messiah and all the scriptures that prophesied His coming. Following the presentation, we will have coffee & homemade Christmas treats in the Fellowship Hall.

Advent Services Beginning Soon

Believe it or not, Advent begins next Sunday, November 30th. That means we will once again be doing Advent Services at Twilight Vista and Avera Care Center. We will kick off the season at Twilight Vista on Monday, December 1st at 2:00 PM.

The services will consist of singing Christmas carols, reading a few scriptures, a short Advent-inspired message, sharing Holy Communion, and fellowshiping with the residents over coffee and cookies. We know this schedule won't work for everyone, but we guarantee if you come, you will be blessed. If you love to bake, please consider bringing some fresh-baked cookies or bars with you to share with the residents. If you're bringing treats, please call or text me to let me know. My phone number is 605-680-9958.

Advent Service Schedule

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Location:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
Monday, December 1	Twilight Vista	2:00 PM
Monday, December 8	Avera Care Center	2:00 PM
Monday, December 15	Twilight Vista	2:00 PM
Monday, December 22	Avera Care Center	2:00 PM

The **Vine Table Meal** for Saturday, December 13, will be BEEF ROAST. We will begin serving at 11:30. Please invite a friend.

Sign up in the Platte Christian Reformed Church entryway or call Norma Lorensen at 605-680-1691. We are looking to share this ministry with any who would like to help.

Prayer Praises and Concerns

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

Bud Bakken, Floyd Dimick, Mary Lee Erickson, Joan Falor, Ruth Gruenig, Laura Johnson, Richard Johnson, George & Nancy Miller, Caroline Peterson

Please pray for:

- Please keep the family & friends of Floyd Dimick in your prayers as they mourn his passing Nov. 15th. Please pray especially for Karen that she would know the Lord's comfort, strength, peace, & joy in this time of sorrow. Pray for friends & family to surround & uplift her in her grief.
- Please keep the family & friends of Richard Johnson in your prayers as they mourn his passing on Nov. 17th. Please pray for his children & their spouses & families, Rick & Lisa Johnson, Cheri & Glenn Eimers, Terry & Katie Johnson, & Dawn Shea. Please pray as well for his sister, Ila Vae Antonsen, his sister, Mary Beth Kuiper, her husband, Larry, and Richard's sister-in-law, Shirley Johnson, & for grandson, Jake & wife, Hailee, & their family. Pray they would all know God's presence, love, strength, & peace in their time of sorrow.
- Please keep the family & friends of Elaine Boltjes in your prayers as they mourn her passing on Nov. 15th. Pray especially for her children, Gary (Kathy) Boltjes, Craig Boltjes, Tami Boltjes, Steve (Erica) Boltjes, Tom (Vickie) Boltjes & Kade & Addy, asking God to let them know the Lord's comfort, strength, peace, & joy in this time of sorrow.
- Praise God Tommy Nelson is recovering well from the bone graft surgery on his right knee. Pray his pain would lessen daily & that he would recover quickly. Pray his physical therapy would go extremely well & he would feel Christ's comfort, peace, strength, & protection daily.
- Please continue to pray for Howard Severson, who is awaiting surgery to repair an aortic aneurysm on Nov. 24th. Please pray: for Howard & his loved ones to know God's peace & presence before, during, and after the surgery; for God to have his surgical team well rested & well prepared so that everything would go flawlessly; & for Howard's recovery to be quick & complete.
- Please pray for Mary Beth Kuiper as she undergoes chemo on Mondays & radiation 5 days a week. Pray she would feel the Lord's healing, protection, & provision as she goes through this & could maintain good strength & energy throughout. Pray for good sleep, a good appetite, & the ability to remain hydrated. Pray for Larry to have a double portion of God's grace as he cares for her.

- Praise God Jarrod Plooster is in his own home and recovering well from his recent surgery. Pray he would continue to do well and be headache free for years. Pray he feel's Christ's comfort, peace, strength, & protection daily.
- Praise God Cody & Rebecca Qualm's daughter, Blake, continues to recover well after breaking both bones in her left arm just above the wrist at gymnastics. Please pray her Nov. 25th doctor's appointment would reveal all is healing well and no other surgery is needed. Pray she & her loved ones would feel Christ's comfort, peace, strength, & protection daily.
- Please continue to pray for Pr. Dave's & Peggy's nephew, Ken Austin, who has been diagnosed with ALS & has been sent home to live out his remaining days. Pray for him, his wife, Jan, their children, Daniel & Maria, & all their loved ones to know God's comfort, love, peace, joy, & strength in this trial. Pray for every day he has left to be a good one.
- Please continue to pray for Jean & Mike Binder (friends of the Martin's) as Jean goes through home hospice care. Praise God Jean is alert, eating better, and her pain is under control. Though she is bedridden, she maintains a good attitude. Pray every day she has left would be a good one.
- Praise God Beau Koopal continues to do well in his battle with MOGAD. A recent checkup at Mayo Clinic revealed the disease has not affected his eyes, which is often one of the first effects of the disease. Pray for God's continued healing over Beau & for Beau & his loved ones to feel God's close-abiding presence, love, comfort, peace, & strength in this trial.
- 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 enter & stay in the U.S. Pray for Koni & John, who were married over a year ago, that God would keep their love for one another strong & would soon allow them to live together as husband & wife.