



A SETTING FOR A LAMB

He was called Jesus,
the name given by the angel
before he was conceived in the womb.
Luke 2:21b



PO Box 427 - 500 S Penn Ave

Pastor Dave Martin

1 Christmas – December 28, 2025

9:30 AM Worship – No Sunday School

God Gathers His People to Worship

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Sharing the Peace of the Lord

Song **“Angels, from the Realms of Glory”**

LBW 50

Confession & Forgiveness

P: Let us, as we end one year and begin another, bring our sins before God, asking Him for forgiveness. Let us pray.

P & C: Creative God, you make all things new and you hold out a new day and a new year for us. Yet how often we squander the opportunities, letting our doubts overwhelm us, letting our sins bind us, letting our fears stop us. You offer us new dreams, and we succumb to old weaknesses; you offer us hope and we choose despair.

P & C: Creative God, we have touched the joy of Christmas. Let us carry a measure of delight and bounty of love into your new day and year. Fill us with the joy of living and the spirit of giving as we approach the new year. In the name of Jesus. Amen.

P: The Apostle Paul writes, "If anyone is in Christ he or she is a new creation, the old has gone, the new has come." Through Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven! Let us go into the new year with peace and joy. **C: Amen.**

God Speaks to Us in His Holy Word

Scripture Lessons:

Ezekiel 36:26-27

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Romans 8:9-11

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Children's Sermon

Song **“I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day”**

GHF 98

Give Thanks to God

Song **"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"**

LBW 55

Apostles Creed

Offering

Prayers of the Church

The Lord's Prayer

God Calls us to Serve

Song **"Go Tell it on the Mountain"**

LBW 70

Benediction

Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve

Thank you for joining us this morning to worship! **We say a big "Thank you" to Trudy Qualm** for leading us in worship and giving the message today while Pastor Dave is on taking time off to spend with his family. Please join us for coffee and cookies in the fellowship hall following the service.

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Dec 21 General Offering: \$9490.00 Attendance: 165

Dec Mission Fund Offering: \$1150.00 (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 Donna Nelson

Greeters

Jan 4—David & Jeanne Kott

Jan 11—Ryan & Traci Kott

Jan 18—Brady & Taylor Koopal

Jan 25—Jeff & Dawn Konstanz

Ushers Dec 28—Frank Cutler & Ross Ringling

Jan 4 & 11—Andrew Nachtigal & Brad DeVries

Jan 18 & 25—Chad Johnson & Jason Huizenga

Available for Prayer (*Classroom #3*) Kevin Severson & Shirley Johnson

Coffee Cookie Servers

Dec 28—Connie Kirsch, Taylor Koopal, Vicki Koopal

Jan 4—Jeanne Kott, Traci Kott, Gladys Kuipers

Jan 11—Carla Lantz, Peggy Martin, Tricia Meyerink

Jan 18— Erynn Meyerink, Jill Moret, Jackie Olsen

The Mission Board has designated the Angel Tree Ministry Shipping Fund and Platte Senior Meals as our December Missions of the month.

Funds donated to Platte Senior Meals will help support local efforts to establish a new program for Meals on Wheels in our community. This new program is being established in response to the lack of financial transparency in the former program. Developers of this new program believe they can provide better services at a lower cost without the help of the federal government. If you contribute to both mission projects, please indicate on your check or offering envelope how you would like your funds used. ***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."***

No Sunday School or Confirmation on Sundays, December 21 & 28.

We will resume on January 4.

New Hope Christian Camp is having Winter Day Camp on December 29- January 1 from 9:00am to 3:00pm each day. We will have lots of fun activities, games, and learning about Jesus for students in grades K-5! This year our theme is "How to Train Your Attitude." The cost is \$20 per day- come for one day or for all! Register: newhopechristiancamp.org.

Vine Table Meal: ROAST BEEF Saturday, January 10 serving at 11:30am. If you had signed up in December, you will be kept on list, unless you call to cancel. If you would like to be added to the list you can sign up in the entryway of Platte CRC or call Norma Lorensen at 605-680-1691. Have a blessed Christmas & New Year!

Wanted: New & Old Devotionals – put in the box in the entryway and they will be taken to Sioux Falls. Men's coats, boots, hats, gloves are needed also. Please put in garbage bags. These items can be dropped off at Gloria Kok or Shirley Johnson's garages. Please call ahead. Gloria (605-207-0096) or Shirley (605-207-0388).

Trinity Lutheran's **congregational annual meeting** will be held Sunday, January 25 at 10:30 AM following morning worship. We will be having a brunch potluck following our annual meeting. No Sunday School on Sunday, January 25th due to annual meeting. Please email information for the annual report to the office (tlcplattsed@gmail.com) by **Friday, January 9th**.

Thank you to all who donated the beautiful poinsettias this Christmas season! *(Please take home today following worship)*

In memory of Harlan & Shirley Ringling

In memory of Harley & Jenny Ringling and Clarence & Grace VanDam

In memory of Tom & Rose Soukup and Merrill & Ruth DeWald

In memory of Norman & Irene Lien

In memory of Dave & Mary Martin

In memory of LeRoy & Phyllis Olsen

Prayer Praises and Concerns

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

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

Please pray for:

- Praise God Bev Antonsen's daughter, Hope, is recovering well from surgery Dec. 12th to remove stones from her liver & bile duct & from surgery Dec. 15th to remove her gall bladder. Please pray: God's hand of healing, protection, & provision would be upon Hope, He would guard her from complications & infections, would relieve her pain, & bring comfort & peace to Hope & all her loved ones.
- Please keep LeRoy Severson in your prayers as he recovers from his first dose of radioactive iodine on Dec. 15th. Pray the treatment would eradicate all cancer from his body but would not harm healthy cells. Pray it wouldn't make him nauseous & that he could sleep & eat well as he recovers. Pray he would feel God's constant presence & comfort in his isolation & that he & all his loved ones would know the Lord's peace throughout.
- Please keep Pearl Feiok in your prayers. Thank God the surgery to install the stent in her kidney went very well & has caused her no pain or discomfort. Thank Him that her cataract surgery went well. Please pray her vision would clear as the swelling goes down. Pray her Dec. 29th hysterectomy would go flawlessly & she would recover well with minimal pain. Pray God would give her the patience to refrain from overdoing it the first 6 weeks of recovery & would give her His peace, comfort, love, & strength.
- Please keep Jacob Daum, his wife, Alicia, and their children Braeden, Brynlee, & Bennet in your prayers during Jacob's deployment to Germany. He will be gone for 10 to 12 months. Please pray for God's protection over Jacob, Alicia, & the kids. Pray for their health, safety, and well-being, and for all of them to feel the Lord's love, peace, joy, & provision in their time away from one another. Jacob is the son of Dan & Phyllis Daum.
- Please keep George & Nancy Miller in your prayers, asking God to guard Nancy from fear as death looms closer. When I explain what Jesus has done for her, she knows she's saved, but the enemy keeps making her question if she's been obedient enough. Pray God would give her peace in this area, and that George could be a calming influence for her.
- Praise God Howard Severson continues to recover well from his aortic aneurysm surgery. Please continue to pray for a complete & speedy

recovery filled with Howard's awareness of God's presence, protection, provision, & healing.

- 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.
- Praise God Mary Beth Kuiper has only 1 radiation treatment left on Dec.22nd. 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, good digestion, & the ability to remain hydrated. Pray a fractured vertebra in her lower back would heal quickly & cause her little pain. Pray the treatment would eradicate her cancer without causing harm to healthy cells. Pray Larry would receive an outstanding report from his Dec. 5th MRI (still not received as of 12-18) & would have a double portion of God's grace as he cares for Mary Beth.
- Praise God Beau Koopal continues to do well in his battle with MOGAD. 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. Pray Beau would soon receive a diagnosis telling him he is healed of this disease.
- Praise God Cody & Rebecca Qualm's daughter, Blake, received a good report from the doctor. Her bones have healed well & her cast has been removed. The doctor gave her a brace to wear in P.E. & at other times of strenuous activity. Thank God for her healing & pray He would protect her from further injury.
- 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. Please pray for his ability to exhale CO2 from his body. He can inhale plenty of oxygen, but can't clear the CO2. 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 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.