

A Journey through
the Book of Philippians



I have thought it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus
my brother and fellow worker and fellow soldier,
and your messenger and minister to my need,
for he has been longing for you all and has been distressed
because you heard that he was ill.

Philippians 2:25-26



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5 Easter – May 3, 2026

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

Songs **“Same God”**

“Rest On Us”

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.

C. Amen

God Speaks to Us in His Holy Word

Scripture Lessons:

Psalm 147:1-6

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Matthew 6:19-24

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Children's Sermon

Sermon Text: Philippians 2:19-30

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Sermon **"Encouraging Servants"**

Series: A Journey through the Book of Philippians

Give Thanks to God

Song **"He Has Done Great Things"**

Nicene Creed

Offering

Offertory

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed Thy hands hath provided

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Prayers of the Church

Celebration of Holy Communion

Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer

First Communion

Distribution

Communion Blessing

God Calls Us to Serve

Song **"My Life is in You, Lord"**

Benediction

Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve

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

Today, we continue the sermon series from the book of Philippians, **“A Journey through the Book of Philippians.”** Philippians is one of the four letters the apostle Paul wrote while under house arrest in Rome. The words **joy** or **rejoice** are used 14 times in four chapters, so we know Paul has a lot to say on that topic. He also shares about his amazing love for the Philippians, the need to emulate Christ’s humility and life of service, having the proper appreciation of what Christ has done for us, and learning the secret to contentment. Philippians is the most personal of all Paul’s writings and is filled with lots of advice on making the most out of our walk with Christ. I hope you enjoy this journey as much as I know I will enjoy preaching on it. God bless, Pastor Dave

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Sunday School Noisy Offering: \$645.97

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Greeters May 3—Joel & Jodene Foxley
May 10—Payton & Gabi Foxley
May 17—Jeff & Rhonda Engebretson
May 24—Jerry & Alison Dykstra
May 31—Tyson & Maggie Dyk

Ushers May 3 & 10—Derek Wollman & Jaxen Wollman
May 17 & 24—Tom Boltjes & Ryan Lantz
May 31 & June 7—Kevin Severson & Jarod Severson

Communion Servers Lee Hanten, Jay VanDerWerff, Scott Dingus

Prayer Ministry (Classroom #3) Lee Hanten & Peggy Martin

Coffee Cookie Servers

May 3—Whitney DeHaan, Ramsey DeHaan, Nicole DeVries
May 10—Darcie DuFrain, Karis DuFrain, Jan DuFrain
May 17—Heidi Dingus, Maggie Dyk, Alison Dykstra
May 24—Amy Ringling, Emily Ringling, Shelby Ringling
May 31—Rhonda Engebretson, Pearl Feiok

Today we will be celebrating Holy Communion.

Visitors are welcome to share with us the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, given and shed for us, for the forgiveness of sins.

The Mission Board has designated the **Marion Medical Mission** as our May Mission of the month. Thank you for your generosity in giving to this mission. In March 2026, we raised \$1,574.00 for another 3.00 wells, bringing our 2026 total to \$2,186.86 or 4.17 wells. The price per well has increased from \$475.00 to \$525.00 per well. Let's see how many more wells we can sponsor this year! ***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."*** Wells have been built in *Malawi, Zambia, Tanzania and Mozambique*, so people in those villages now have healthy, clean drinking water. They no longer have to drink water from contaminated streams and waterholes. Thank you for giving the gift of life with the gift of clean water.

Here are the total for the April Mission Fund Offerings

Platte Senior Meals: \$965.00

TLC Campers: \$565

Gideons: \$702.00

First Communion will be celebrated today Sunday, May 3rd with First Communion Celebrants and their families receiving Holy Communion before the rest of the congregation. ***Blessings to our First Communion students who are communing for the first time:*** Reed DuFrain, Paxton Dyk, Addison Gilbertz, Jaxton Reiser, Logan Ruen, Jemma Severson, and Tessa VandenHoek

National Day of Prayer: The Platte Area Ministerial Association invites the community to gather for a special time of prayer and praise & worship ***this evening Sunday, May 3.*** A prayer service will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church at 7:00 PM. All are welcome to come together as we lift up the needs of our nation and our community in prayer. *"Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples." 1 Chronicles 16:24 NASB*

On Sunday, May 10th, our High School Seniors: **Jye Bailey, Braelyn Qualm, and Kyler Strand** will be presented with a quilt made by the ladies of our congregation to congratulate them on their accomplishment.

The last day of Sunday School will be Sunday, May 10.

Sunday, May 17th is Confirmation Day. Blessings to our 8th grade students: **Mikenna Gilbertz, Dani Meyerink and Jordan Ruen** as they are confirmed into the faith. Please join us to support and encourage our students and be encouraged yourselves as you hear our confirmands share their Statements of Faith.

Save the Date! Vacation Bible School at Trinity Lutheran Church will be July 6-9. More details to come.

Prayer Praises and Concerns

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

Mary Lee Erickson, Joan Falor, Ruth Gruenig, Laura Johnson,
George Miller, Caroline Peterson

Please pray for:

- Please pray for Joan Falor, who was transferred to Avera Borman Manor in Parkston April 1st. Pray she would adjust well to her new home, make lots of new friends, and thrive there. Her room # is 218A.
Joan's New Address: Avera Borman Manor
Joan Falor – Room 218A
401 Glynn Drive
Parkston, SD 57313
- Please continue to pray for Sammi Ringling, her husband, Keagan, & their baby daughter, Anne. Sammi had a blood transfusion April 21st, at which time they adjusted her nausea medication. She received radiation April 24th & enjoyed a pretty good weekend at home. She received another dose of radiation on the 27th, & on April 29th. Pray the radiation & chemo destroys her cancer, has little effect on healthy tissue, and causes few side effects. Please pray for her to have more energy & to feel better. Pray Sammi & all her loved ones would know God's comfort, love, peace, & strength & would sense His closeness.
- Praise God Pr. Dave's & Peggy's good friend from WI, Jan Clarke, continues to recover well from surgery to install two stents in two clogged arteries. She is feeling good and asks for God's continued blessings of healing, comfort, presence, peace, & strength. Pray her recovery is swift & she would have many healthy years ahead.
- Please continue to pray for Amy Ringling's daily improvement, asking God to give her new victories each day. Pray she, Ryan, Hudson, Emerson, Logan & her entire family feel God's hand upon them & walk daily in His comfort, love, peace, & strength.
- Please continue to pray for Larry & Evelyn Tucker, asking God to: renew their strength & energy levels, improve Larry's breathing, & give Evelyn clarity of thought. Pray their home & hearts would be filled with God's love, strength, peace, & joy.
- Praise God Pearl Feiok's eyes are no longer overly sensitive to light & she continues to improve daily from her year-end surgery. Praise God the surgery to remove her kidney stent went well. Please pray she feels God's comfort, love, peace, & strength in all she does.
- Please pray for LeRoy Severson's continued health & well-being. Ask God to eradicate all cancer from him, to restore things the cancer & treatment

stole from him, & to bless him with new victories daily. Pray LeRoy, Stacy, & all their loved ones would know God's comfort, love, peace, & strength throughout.

- Please keep Jacob Daum, his wife, Alicia, and their children Braeden, Brynlee, & Bennet in your prayers during Jacob's deployment to Germany. Pray God would watch over & protect them all & would bless their communications with one another so that even in their absence they feel close. Pray for 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.
- 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 Beau's & Mandy's daughter, Blair, recovered well from the head injury she suffered when she fell from her scooter.
- Praise God Pr. Dave's & Peggy's daughter-in-law, Koni, had her application for a visa approved. Pray the remaining process could be fast-tracked so she could soon be here with John in the U.S. Pray for Koni & John, who were married over a year & a half ago, that God would keep their love for one another strong & would soon allow them to live together as husband & wife.

Same God

I'm calling on the God of Jacob whose love endures through generations.
I know that You will keep Your covenant

I'm calling on the God of Moses the one who opened up the ocean.
I need you now to do the same thing for me

Chorus: Oh God my God I need You. Oh God my God I need You now
How I need You now. Oh Rock oh Rock of ages
I'm standing on Your faithfulness, on your faithfulness

I'm calling on the God of Mary whose favor rests upon the lowly
I know with You all things are possible

I'm calling on the God of David who made a shepherd boy courageous
I may not face Goliath but I've got my own giants

Chorus

You heard Your children then. You hear Your children now.
You are the same God. You are the same God.
You answered prayers back then and You will answer now.
You are the same God. You are the same God

You were providing then. You are providing now.
You are the same God. You are the same God.
You moved in power then. God move in power now
You are the same God. You are the same God

You were a healer then. You are a healer now.
You are the same God. You are the same God.
You were a Savior then. You are a Savior now
You are the same God. You are the same God

Chorus

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Rest On Us

As the Spirit was moving over the water,
Spirit come move over us
Come rest on us come rest on us

Chorus: Come down Spirit when You move
You make my heart pound when You fill the room
You're here and I know You are moving
I'm here and I know You will fill me
As the Spirit was moving over the water
Spirit come move over us
Come rest on us come rest on us

As the Spirit was moving over the water,
Spirit come move over us
Come rest on us come rest on us

Fire and wind come and do it again
Open up the gates let Heaven on in
Come rest on us come rest on us

Chorus x2

Holy Spirit come rest on us
You're all we want You're all we want (x4)

Chorus x2

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He Has Done Great Things

He has done great things, He has done great things
Arms open wide the Lamb crucified, Worthy is He

He has done great things, Our God has done great things
Thorns on His brow grace flowing down, Worthy is He

Chorus: As high as the heavens above, Great is His everlasting love
Rivers of mercy run over us, As far as the east from the west
He has removed all our sin, We are forgiven by His blood (*repeat all*)

Chorus

Thank God I'm forgiven by His blood

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My Life is In You Lord

My life is in You, Lord. My strength is in You, Lord
My hope is in You, Lord. In You, it's in You. (x2)

I will praise You with all of my life
I will praise You with all of my strength
With all of my life; With all of my strength
All of my hope is in You. (*Repeat all*)

My life is in You, Lord. My strength is in You, Lord
My hope is in You, Lord. In You, it's in You. (x2)

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