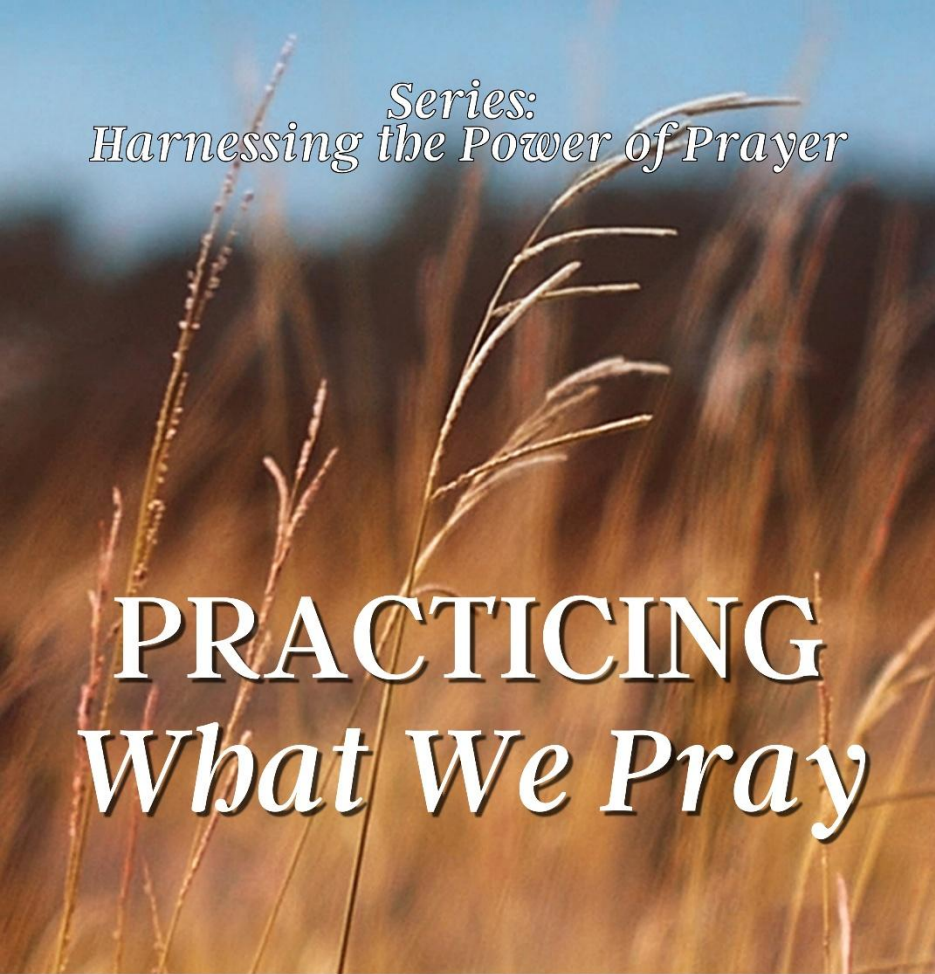




*Series:  
Harnessing the Power of Prayer*

# **PRACTICING** *What We Pray*

Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable,  
whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely,  
whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence,  
if there is anything worthy of praise, think  
about these things. What you have learned and received  
and heard and seen in me—practice these things,  
and the God of peace will be with you.

PHILIPPIANS 4:8-9





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11 Trinity – August 16, 2026

9:30 AM Worship

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## *God Gathers His People to Worship*

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Sharing the Peace of the Lord

Songs **"Here I Am to Worship"**

**"Knowing You"**

Confession

**P & C: Lord, God of our tomorrows, we confess our sinful condition before You. We desire something better than what we have and what we are. We know ourselves too well and see our human frailty. We know that our temporary gods are vulnerable and will crumble under the test. We realize that our desires are fickle and backfire on us at the worst times. God of our tomorrows, give us Your forgiveness. Let us see today the promise of something better in our lives.**

Forgiveness

P: Our God is a tomorrow God. He knows our past and He knows where we are headed. He knows our needs and desires His children come to Him in prayer. As we confess our sin to Him, He is faithful and will forgive our sin and set us right with Himself. He knows that He is what we desire and that true fulfillment comes in knowing Him. His promise of something better is found in His forgiveness and in His love. Praise God for His goodness. **C: Amen.**

## *God Speaks to Us in His Holy Word*

Scripture Lessons:

Psalm 124:1-8

Matthew 6:5-6

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Children's Sermon

Sermon **"Practicing What We Pray"**

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*Give Thanks to God*

Song **"Sanctuary"**

Apostles 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

Distribution

Communion Blessing

*God Calls Us to Serve*

Song **"Family Prayer Song"**

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.

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*email bulletin info by Thursdays 8 AM*

Today, we continue the five-part sermon series entitled ***Harnessing the Power of Prayer***. Every Christian knows that prayer is a foundational discipline of our faith, and yet we also know when things are going well, prayer is something we often neglect. My hope is that these next four weeks will lead us all to a renewed prayer life & that we will all experience the benefits attached to frequent prayer. Please be aware this is a sermon series that I need as much as anyone.

I hope you will enjoy it. God bless, *Pastor Dave*

**August 9 General Offering: \$3341.00 Attendance: 107**

August Mission Fund Offering: \$1031.00

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**Greeters** Aug 16—Doug & Lori Chambers

Aug 23—Dave & Joyce Carter

Aug 30—Tom & Vickie Boltjes

**Ushers** Aug 16—Jerry Dykstra & Dennis Meyerink

Aug 23 & 30—Scott Vanden Berge & Mike Konechne

**Communion Servers** Lee Hanten, Jay VanDerWerff, Carey Hoffman

**Prayer Ministry (Classroom #3)** Jerry Dykstra & Jan DuFrain

**Coffee Cookie Servers** Aug 16—Gladys Kuipers, Carla Lantz

Aug 23—Peggy Martin, Erynn Meyerink

Aug 30—Jill Moret, Jackie Olsen

**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.

Jerni Severson is hosting a **Walk for Water fundraiser** to raise awareness and funds for clean water wells in Africa for her senior project today **Sunday, August 16 at 3:00 PM** at Trinity Lutheran Church. Participants will walk only a part of the distance people in the African communities walk to obtain clean water, to realize how impactful these wells can be. Donations will go towards Marion Medical Mission. Her goal is to raise \$525 for one well.

Throughout the month of August, **our special mission offering will support the ministry of Samaritan's Purse**, an international Christian organization dedicated to bringing hope and practical assistance to people in need around the world. Their mission is to follow the example of Christ by helping those in need and proclaiming the Gospel. Thank you for your faithful support of missions and for helping us extend God's love beyond our community and around the world. ***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."***

**Church Council** meets on Monday, August 17 at 7:00 PM

**Priscilla Bible Study Group** will meet Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at 9 AM  
Lesson 8, Leader: Sharon Rommen, Hostess: Gladys Kuipers

**Hannah Bible Study Group** will meet Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 PM  
studying Lesson 8, Leader: Peggy Martin

**IF NOT YOU... THEN WHO? We need Sunday School teachers.** It's easy to sit in the pew and think, "Someone else will volunteer." ***But if everyone is waiting for someone else, who will teach our children?*** You don't have to be an experienced teacher or have all the answers. Sunday School doesn't need perfect people—it needs willing Christians who will show up and share their faith. We say our children and their faith are important. Now we need people willing to show them they are. If you've been waiting for someone else to step up, maybe it's your turn. Stop thinking, "Someone else will step up."... and start asking, "Why not me?" **If you're willing to serve or just want to learn more, please reach out to Dan Daum, Diane Gilbertz, or Jonna DeHaan. We would love to have you as part of our Sunday School team!** We'll be having an informal meeting on Sunday, August 30 to answer any questions you may have to prepare for the new Sunday School year. **Sunday School begins Sunday, September 13.**

Gold City will be in concert at the Prairie Gospel Barn, Gregroy, on **Sunday, August 16 at 6:30 PM**, doors open at 5:00 PM. Call Geoff 605-830-1545 for advanced tickets (\$35) or day of the concert \$40.

New Hope Christian Camp is hosting a **Family Golf Scramble Fundraiser** at Lake Platte Golf Course on August 22. Come with teams of 4 for a fun round of golf and a free will meal, with prizes to follow! Registration is \$50 for adults (16 years+) and \$25 for kids (8-15 years). Sign up by going to [newhopechristiancamp.org](http://newhopechristiancamp.org) or on our Facebook page.

### **AWANA REGISTRATION & FUN FAIR September 9 at 6:00 PM**

Register by texting "AWANA26" to 605.550.1003 & fill out the registration form. There will be no paper registration this year. We are kicking off with the Awana Fun Fair on Wed, Sept 9 from 6:00-8:00 PM at Calvary Baptist Church. Bring the whole family and come & go as you please. Awana will officially resume on Wed, Sept 15 from 6:30-8:00.

**The Platte Community Student Ministry invites everyone** to our Come-and-Go Annual Meeting on **Wednesday, August 19 from 6:30–7:30 PM** in the Fireside Room at Trinity Lutheran Church. Stop by anytime during 6:30-7:30 PM to enjoy root beer floats and cookies, visit with board members, learn about plans for the coming year, and ask any questions you may have. There will be no formal program, so feel free to come and go as your schedule allows.

**Youth Group will kick off** on Wednesday, September 19<sup>th</sup> for both Jr. High and Sr. High (*watch for more details*).

GEMS is a program for 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade girls where we sing and fellowship with each other, do a bible badge, and complete other badges such as: arts & crafts, cooking, biking, baking, scrapbooking, candle making and etc. **GEMS is looking for Bible leaders and badges leaders of all ages that have hobbies or skills they would like to share with the girls.** It is a 12-week program that we split into 6 weeks in the fall & 6 weeks in the spring. If you would like to be a part of GEMS or have questions, please contact April Van Zee (680-1303) or Melissa Huizenga (712-348-6032).

## *Prayer Praises and Concerns*

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

Ila Vae Antonsen, Mary Lee Erickson, Joan Falor, Ruth Gruenig, Laura Johnson, George Miller, Caroline Peterson, Evelyn & Larry Tucker

### **Please pray for:**

- Praise God Larry Tucker is back in Platte in a swing bed at the Platte Hospital. I visited him on August 12th. He has a very sore back from being confined to bed for so long but said he has no pain in the foot where his toes were amputated. You can see that the trauma of the last few weeks has weighed heavily on him & that he is a little confused about some things. Please pray for his pain to be gone, for his heart to grow stronger with each passing day, for all surgical sites to heal well, for his confusion to abate, & for he & his loved ones to feel the Lord's close-abiding presence, love, peace, joy, & strength in this trial.
- Praise God Ila Vae Antonsen's MRI & other tests came back normal. Please pray for her to know relief from lingering dizziness. Her physical therapist believes the dizziness is caused by a problem in one of her eyes. She is unable to see the optometrist until 8/25. Please pray God would sovereignly heal Ila Vae, relieve her dizziness, & restore her to good health. Pray she & her loved ones would know God's comfort, love, strength, & peace in her recovery.
- Praise God Pearl Feiok's son, Heath, is recovering well from his recent neck & carpal tunnel surgery. Please pray he would continue to improve & would be able to avoid overdoing things. Please pray for Pearl's friend, Clint Pearson, that God would heal his foot wound completely & that his MRI scheduled for 8/17 would bring good news. Pray God would relieve the neuropathy in Clint's feet & would give him & his loved ones His comfort, peace, strength, & peace.
- Praise God Pr. Dave's & Peggy's friend, Paul Clarke, is recovering well from surgery to remove cancer from his tongue. He has been off all pain meds for 2 days & is now able to eat soft foods. Pray God would heal all surgical sites & quickly restore his tongue to full health. Pray he & all his loved ones would know God's comfort, peace, strength, & peace throughout his recovery.
- Please pray for Joan Falor's continued improvement from her stroke, asking God to improve her speech & to enable her to find the words she is searching for more easily. Pray for Joan & her loved ones to feel the Lord's presence, comfort, love, peace & strength in this trial.

- Praise God for the encouraging results from Sammi Ringling's scans. They show continued improvement. The spots in her lungs are no longer visible, the liver tumors have shrunk further, and there are no new areas of cancer. The colon tumor & spot in her spine are still visible, so the cancer is not gone, but overall shows that the treatment is working. Pray Sammi, Keagan, Anne, & all her loved ones feel the Lord's presence, comfort, love, peace & strength in this trial.
- Praise God Evelyn Tucker is doing well at the Avera Care Center. Pray God would help this feel like home & pray she could make a good friend there.
- 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 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.
- 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 Pr. Dave's & Peggy's daughter-in-law, Koni, had her application for a visa approved. Pray the remaining process could be fast-tracked. Please also pray for Koni to be safe & enjoy the driver's education course she is taking in the Philippines. Pray she would catch on fast & adapt easily to driving in the U.S.
- Please pray for our Community Youth Group, asking God to raise up new leaders to fill the void left when Paul Kimball retired to pursue a career in Christian counseling. Please ask God to bring forward a strong leader for the Middle School Youth and another strong leader for the Senior High Youth. Pray God would bless upcoming fund-raising efforts & would bless Paul in his new endeavors.



## **Here I Am to Worship**

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness,  
Opened my eyes, let me see  
Beauty that made this heart adore You, Hope of a life spent with You.

*Chorus:*

Here I am to worship; Here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God.  
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,  
Altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, Oh so highly exalted, Glorious in heaven above.  
Humbly You came to the earth You created,  
All for love's sake became poor.

*Chorus*

I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross. *(repeat)*

*Chorus*

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## **Knowing You**

All I once held dear, built my life upon  
All this world reveres and wars to own,  
All I once thought gain I have counted loss  
Spent and worthless now compared to this:

*Chorus:* Knowing You, Jesus, knowing You-There is no greater thing,  
You're my all, You're the best, You're my joy my righteousness,  
and I love You, Lord.

Now my heart's desire is to know You more,  
To be found in You and known as Yours  
To possess by faith what I could not earn,  
All surpassing gift of righteousness.

*Chorus*

Oh, to know the pow'r of Your risen life  
And to know You in Your sufferings,  
To become like You in Your death, my Lord,  
So with You to live and never die.

*Chorus* Love You, Lord.

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## **Sanctuary**

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary,  
Pure and holy, tried and true.

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You. *(repeat all)*

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## **The Family Prayer Song**

Come and fill our homes with Your presence.  
You alone are worthy of our reverence.

*Chorus:* As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord. We will serve the Lord.  
*(Repeat all)*

*Chorus*

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