

A Journey through the Book of 1<sup>st</sup> John



# A New, Old *Commandment*

*And the world is passing away along  
with its desires, but whoever does  
the will of God abides forever.  
1 John 2:17*



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16 Trinity – September 20, 2026

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

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## *God Gathers His People to Worship*

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Sharing the Peace of the Lord

Song **“Rise Up, O Saints of God!”** (v. 1,2,4,5)

**LBW 383**

Confession and Forgiveness

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

P: God, whose love is everlasting, welcomes sinners to the table of mercy. Let us confess our sin, confident in God's forgiveness.

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P: Gracious God,

**P & C: have mercy on us. In your gracious compassion forgive us our sins, both known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

P: Since we are justified by God's grace through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Almighty God has mercy on us, forgives us all our sins, and will bring us to life everlasting.

**C: Amen.**

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

Scripture Lessons:

Proverbs 4:1-8

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Mark 12:28-31

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Children's Sermon

*(join in singing “Jesus Loves Me” while children come up)*

Song **“Blessed Assurance”**

**GHF 255**

Sermon **"A New, Old Commandment"**

*Series: A Journey through the Book of 1<sup>st</sup> John*

*Give Thanks to God*

Song **"Nothing but the Blood"**

**GHF 212**

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 **"For the Beauty of the Earth"** (v. 1,2,4,5)

**LBW 561**

Benediction

*Enter to Worship - Depart to Serve*

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

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Our sermon series for the next 7 weeks is entitled “**A Journey through the Book of 1st John.**” I love 1st John because it does such an incredible job of explaining who Jesus is and who we can be in Him. It is extremely practical in spelling out the love of God and how it was made manifest to mankind in and through Jesus Christ. It also tells us what our response should be to God’s love and how to know with certainty we are walking in His love. Bring your Bible to church with you and fill it with notes and highlights on this highly informative book. This book is one of my favorite epistles, and I pray it will soon become one of your favorites as well. Happy listening & learning, *Pastor Dave*

**September 13 General Offering: \$2767.00 Attendance: 81**

September Mission Fund Offering: \$238.00

**To GIVE ONLINE**, go to our website [tlcplattesd.org](http://tlcplattesd.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** Sept 20—Derek & Wendy Wollman

Sept 27—Zach & Lizzy Warejcka

Oct 4—Mick & Sharon Warejcka

Oct 11—Jay & Deb VanDerWerff

Oct 18—Joyce VanderHam & Tammy Darling

**Ushers** Sept 20 & 27—Randy Tegethoff & Foster Tegethoff

Oct 4 & 11—LeRoy Severson & Jeff Konstanz

Oct 18—Jay VanDerWerff & David Kott

Oct 25—Confirmation Students

**Communion Servers** Randy Tegethoff, Scott Vanden Berge, Scott Dingus

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

**Coffee Cookie Servers**

Sept 20—Lou Ann Qualm, Wendy Qualm, Dee Rasmussen

Sept 27—Nicki Reiser, Amy Ringling, Shelby Ringling

Oct 4—Mary Ringling, Brittany Ruen, Chelsey Schrank

Oct 11—Brooklyn Severson, Stacy Severson, Tara Severson

Oct 18—Liz Spawn, Tonya Standy, Sheila Summerville

Oct 25—Marla Tegethoff, Laura Vanden Berge,

Emily VandenHoek

**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.

For our **September Mission Fund Offering**, we will be supporting two mission projects. One of the missions is **Marion Medical Missions** to help provide new wells, bringing clean, safe water to communities in need in Africa. The second mission is **God's Way Christian School**, which is currently raising funds to build four additional classrooms and purchase a new bus to provide transportation for students.

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."***

**Church Council** meets on Monday, September 21 at 7:00 PM

**Please bring back any church kitchen towels/cloths** that you may have brought home and washed! We are running low. Thank you!

We're looking for volunteers to provide snacks for up to 70 Junior High Youth Group kids on Wednesday nights. Homemade or store-bought—either is great! Snacks can be dropped off Wednesday afternoons at Christian Reformed Church; no need to stay and serve. To help, contact Jan VanVuren at 605-207-0214. **Thanks for supporting Community Student Ministry!**

There will be a tailgate supper held on **Friday, October 2** before/during the P/G vs KWL football game. A freewill donation will be taken to assist Lee Hanten with medical expenses incurred for a new leg prosthesis. If you are unable to attend, but would like to contribute, please contact Karen Lang at 605-207-0126. Thank you!

***Youth Community Activities on Wednesday evenings:***

***GEMS:*** 3:45-5:45 PM at Platte CRC

***Awana:*** 6:30-8:00 PM at Calvary Baptist

***JH Youth Group:*** 6:30-8:00 at Platte CRC

***HS Youth Group:*** 7:15-9:00 at Trinity Lutheran

## *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:**

- Please keep Glenn Higgins (Joan Hoversten's oldest grandson) in your prayers. His body recently rejected a liver transplant he received about 2 years ago. He is in the University of San Francisco Hospital's ICU in kidney failure. Doctors have him on 24 hr. dialysis to stabilize his kidneys. Please pray God would stabilize Glenn's kidneys & show his medical team how to reverse the body's rejection of the liver. Pray for Glenn to feel the Lord's hand of healing, protection, & provision upon him & for him & his loved ones to know God's peace, love, comfort, & strength throughout.
- Praise God Jacob Daum & the rest of the 665MSC out of Mitchell have returned safely to American soil & will soon be reunited with their families. Jacob is the son of Dan & Phyllis Daum, who thank the congregation for their faithful prayers & ask us to join them in praying for those who replaced Jacob's troop & for others from our community who will soon be deployed.
- Please continue to pray for Larry Tucker as he recovers from a recent heart attack & foot surgeries. He is back at Avera Care Center in Room 16. Pray for his back pain to diminish, for the pain & phantom pain in his left foot to abate, for his surgical sites to heal well, and for clear & lucid thinking. Pray Larry, Evelyn, & all his loved ones feel the Lord's comfort, walk in His peace, & know His strength in this trial.
- Praise God Ila Vae Antonsen's lingering dizziness has improved immensely. Thank God the treatments they have prescribed have helped restore her balance. Pray she & her loved ones would know God's comfort, love, strength, & peace as He brings her to full recovery.
- Please pray God would bring Pearl Feiok's son, Heath, to a full recovery from his recent neck & carpal tunnel surgery. Please pray Pearl's friend, Clint Pearson, would feel the Lord's hand of healing, protection, provision, & comfort with him as he has foot surgery on 9/18 to remove a metatarsal bone. Pray God would amaze Clint's doctors with the speed & completeness of his recovery & he & his loved ones would feel the Lord's peace, love, comfort, & strength throughout.
- Praise God Pr. Dave's & Peggy's friend, Paul Clarke, is recovering well from surgery to remove cancer from his tongue. Pray his upcoming radiation treatments go well, that Paul has minimal sickness from the radiation, &

that God would protect Paul & his wife, Holly, in their travels to & from his treatments. Pray for God's hand of healing, protection, provision, & peace to be with them all.

- Praise God Joan Falor continues to improve from her stroke. I visited her on 9/8 & she was in very good spirits. Please continue to pray God would 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. Pray God would keep her strong for her 12th chemo treatment coming up this week. Pray the PET scan 1 week later would show her to be cancer free. Pray Sammi, Keagan, Anne, & all her loved ones feel the Lord's presence, comfort, love, peace & strength in this trial.
- 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 doctors would be able to properly regulate his medication so his body temperature could remain more stable. Pray LeRoy, Stacy, & all their loved ones would know God's comfort, love, peace, & strength throughout.
- 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.
- Please pray for Pr. Dave's & Peggy's daughter-in-law, Koni, asking God to open the door for her visa application to be approved. Please pray God would bless us with the good news that she will soon be able to join John in the U.S. They celebrated their 2nd anniversary 9/8 apart from one another. Praise God John has found the perfect house for the two of them. Pray the closing & all improvements would go extremely well. Please pray we would all feel God's mighty hand at work in the weeks ahead.
- Praise God the opening night of Youth Group went well with 117 junior & senior high students in attendance. The youth responded well to the teaching & to the worship & praise. Please pray for one additional mentor for 6th grade boys, and another for 7th grade boys. Pray also for ease in filling the teaching slots each month and for finances to be strong for the Community Youth Group.