A Journey through the Book of 1st John



If anyone acknowledges
that ***Jesus is the Son of God****,*
God lives in them and they in God.
And so we know and rely
on the love God has for us.
God is love.
Whoever lives in love lives in God,
and God in them.

1 John 4:15-16 NIV

PO Box 427 - 500 S Penn Ave
Pastor Dave Martin
20 Trinity – October 18, 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 **"I Know A Name"**

"I Speak Jesus"

Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Let us seek the face of God, confessing our sin.
Silence for reflection and self-examination.
P: Holy God,
C: we have sinned against you and each other. We pray for your forgiveness and healing. The good we would do, we often fail to do. The evil we do not want, we find ourselves doing. Deliver us, O God; save us from shame; and guide us in your way. Amen.
P: Nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us, and God raised him up from death that we too might walk in newness of life. Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through Jesus Christ, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.
C: Amen.

God Speaks to Us in His Holy Word

Scripture Lessons:

Psalm 104:10-19	Page 638
Romans 8:26-28	Page 1201

Children's Sermon

(join in singing "Jesus Loves Me" while children come up)

Sermon Text: 1 John 4:1-21 Page 1303

Sermon **"Knowing & Relying on the Love God Has for Us"**

Series: A Journey through the Book of 1st John

Give Thanks to God

Song **"Thank You Jesus for the Blood"**

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 **"Counting My Blessings"**

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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Today, we continue sermon series 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. 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*

October 11 General Offering: $3479.00 **Attendance:** 121
October Mission Fund Offering: $1995.00 *(month to date)*

To GIVE ONLINE, go to our website 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.

Greeters Oct 18—Joyce VanderHam & Tammy Darling
Oct 25—Sunday School Students
Nov 1— Scott & Laura Vanden Berge
Nov 8—Randy & Marla Tegethoff

Ushers Oct 18—Jay VanDerWerff & David Kott
Oct 25—Confirmation Students
Nov 1—Jay VanDerWerff & David Kott

Communion Servers Alisha Nachtigal, Jason Huizenga, Jay VanDerWerff

Prayer Ministry *(Classroom #3)* Kevin Severson & Jonna DeHaan

Coffee Cookie Servers
Oct 18—Liz Spawn, Tonya Standy, Sheila Summerville
Oct 25—Marla Tegethoff, Laura Vanden Berge, Emily VandenHoek
Nov 1—Sue Vanderboom, Joyce VanderHam, Deb VanDerWerff
Nov 8—Lizzy Warejcka, Sharon Warejcka, Wendy Wollman

October is Pastor Appreciation and is a great opportunity to minister to those who minister to us. Please take a moment to let Pastor Dave and Peggy know how much we appreciate all their work at here at Trinity and the Platte area. A short note, gift, smile or a heartfelt "thank you" can be a great encouragement to thank them for their faithful service and devotion to God.

Church Council meets on Monday, October 19th at 7:00 PM

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.

October Mission Fund Offering is designated towards our Goodwill Quilters. Our local quilting ladies are putting their gifts to work by creating handmade quilts for children in need through Sleep in Heavenly Peace. These quilts are more than fabric and thread- they are reminders to each child that they are seen, loved, and valued.
We invite you to support this month's mission offering going towards the local quilting ladies for making the Sleep in Heavenly Peace quilts. Please pray for the children and families who will receive these quilts. Together we can ensure every child has their own quilt to treasure. ***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."***

The next Children's Worship Sunday is next Sunday, October 25. The Sunday School students will be participating in the worship service through ushering, the Children's Sermon, reading Scripture, and special music. **The Sunday School kids will be taking their next "noisy offering" also on October 25.** If any other parents, grandparents or congregation members have any loose change laying around and would like to contribute, please give it to a child to put in the bucket or feel free to put it in yourselves. Thanks so much for helping our youth understand the importance of giving back to the Lord for all we do receive. Board of Ed –Dan, Diane & Jonna

Bible Instruction for all third graders will begin Wednesday, October 28th, and will meet on Wednesdays, November 4, 11 and 18. Classes will be held in the Church Council room and will run from 3:45 to 5:00 PM. If possible, we would like to have a parent, grandparent, or other family member accompany each child to help them in our journey through God's Word. A light snack and bottle of water will be served each session. Please let Pastor Dave know if your child has any dietary restrictions. **Bible presentations will be made Sunday, November 22nd during the worship service.**

Men! **Dakota Jubilee is looking for "old" voices and "new" voices to join us** for our first practice of the season on Thursday, October 22nd, at 7:00 pm, at the Dakota Christian School music room. If you enjoy singing and sharing the Good News of Jesus, come join us! We would love to see you there! Contact Jeff Patzlaff (682-8867) if you have any questions!

PLATTE COMMUNITY STUDENT MINISTRY

Looking for youth group schedules, events, or updates?

Find the latest information on our website or in our private Facebook group.

plattecommunitystudentministry.org

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FACEBOOK

KNOW | FOLLOW | MAKE HIM KNOWN

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 Chris Hartley & his wife, Carrie, of Rochester, MN, in your prayers. Chris had surgery on Oct. 15th at Mayo Hospital to remove melanoma-laden lymph nodes from his body. Please pray for God's hand of healing, protection, provision, & strength to be upon Chris & for his quick & complete recovery. Pray he and all his loved ones would feel the Lord's close-abiding presence & know His peace that surpasses all understanding. Chris is Joyce Vanderham's son-in-law.
- Please keep the family & friends of Glenn Higgins in your prayers. Glenn passed away peacefully October 6th at his home after a long battle with organ rejection. Please thank God for Glenn's life and for the many ways he blessed those who knew him. Please pray the Celebration of Life service being planned for him would go well and that God would keep all who attend safe in their coming & going. Pray God would shower Glenn's loved ones with His comfort, love, peace, joy, & strength. Glenn is Joan Hoversten's oldest grandson.
- Please keep Randy Foxley & his loved ones in your prayers. He was admitted to McKennan Hospital in Sioux Falls on September 29th with pneumonia. He is improving daily. A 10/14 CT scan showed no signs of blood clots. His antibiotic regimen ends Oct. 22nd. Please pray he would be able to return home that day & would recover fully. Pray Randy & his loved ones feel the Lord's comfort, love, peace, & strength throughout.
- Please keep Karen Dimick in your prayers. Bumps on her nose have been identified as basal carcinoma. She has an Oct. 19th appointment with a dermatologist in Sioux Falls to surgically remove the cancer. Please pray for God's peace that surpasses all understanding to be with Karen & for her to feel the Lord's close-abiding comfort, strength, & love throughout this trial.
- Praise God Larry Tucker is feeling much better physically & is experiencing little pain from his foot surgery. Please pray he could come to terms with living in the nursing home. Pray for Larry & Evelyn to have clear & lucid thinking & to feel the Lord's comfort, walk in His peace, & know His strength in this trial. You may visit or write him at Avera Care Center, Room 16.

- Praise God Pearl Feiok's son, Heath, is recovering well from neck & carpal tunnel surgery & has been able to combine & work in the shop with his neck brace on. Praise God Clint is recovering well from his foot surgery & that Pearl is feeling good. Pray Pearl, Clint, & their loved ones feel the Lord's peace, love, comfort, & strength throughout.
- Please pray for Pr. Dave's & Peggy's friend, Paul Clarke, who has 13 radiation treatments remaining for his tongue cancer. Pray God would heal the sores in his mouth & esophagus caused by 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 & for Paul to enjoy a full recovery.
- Praise God Joan Falor continues to improve from her stroke. 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 Sammi Ringling's cancer markers have improved so dramatically. Please pray they might find a new chemo for her that would have milder side effects but would work just as well. Pray Sammi, Keagan, Anne, & all her loved ones feel the Lord's presence, comfort, love, peace & strength in this trial.
- 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.
- 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 hand at work in the weeks ahead.
- Praise God for our Community Youth Group. Please pray for God's hand of blessing to continue to be on this ministry & that He would bless their fund-raising efforts. Pray for many young people to give their lives to Christ & for all the adults working with them to grow in their faith as well.

I Know a Name

I know a Name that can silence roaring waves
I know a Name that can empty out a grave
I know a Name, It's the only Name that saves and it's worthy of all praise

Chorus: I call You Jesus, I call You, I call You Healer
Risen and reigning in power, Something comes out of the grave
Every time I call You Jesus, I call You, I call You Savior
Worthy of glory forever, Something comes out of the grave
Every time I call Your Name

I have a King with dominion over death, He holds the keys in His holy nail-scarred hands, He is the heel that has crushed the serpent's head,
Our resurrected Great I Am

Chorus

Chains break dry bones wake, Every time I call Your Name
The gates of hell shake, Every time I call Your Name *(x2)*

Where, oh death, is now your sting?
and where, oh grave, your victory? *(x2)*

Dead things come alive, Dead things come alive, Dead things come alive in the name of Jesus, Dead things come alive, Dead things come alive
Dead things come alive in the name

Chorus

Dead things come alive, Dead things come alive
Dead things come alive in the name of Jesus (x2) Christ

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I Speak Jesus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus over every heart and every mind
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence, I speak Jesus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus til every dark addiction starts to break. Declaring there is hope and there is freedom, I speak Jesus

Chorus: 'Cause Your Name is power, Your Name is healing,
Your Name is life, Break every stronghold, Shine through the shadows, Burn like a fire

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus over fear and all anxiety
To ev'ry soul held captive by depression, I speak Jesus

Chorus

Shout Jesus from the mountains, Jesus in the streets, Jesus in the darkness over every enemy, Jesus for my family, I speak the holy Name Jesus *(x2)*

Your Name is power, Your Name is healing, Your Name is life, Break every stronghold, Shine through the shadows, Burn like a fire *(x2)*

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus over every heart and every mind
'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence, I speak Jesus

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Thank You Jesus For The Blood

I was a wretch I remember who I was, I was lost I was blind I was running out of time, Sin separated the breach was far too wide
But from the far side of the chasm You had me in Your sight

So You made a way across the great divide, Left behind Heaven's throne to build it here inside, There at the cross You paid the debt I owed
Broke my chains freed my soul for the first time I had hope

Chorus: Thank You Jesus for the blood applied, Thank You Jesus it has washed me white, Thank You Jesus You have saved my life
Brought me from the darkness into glorious light

You took my place laid inside my tomb of sin, You were buried for three days
But then You walked right out again, And now death has no sting and life has no end, For I have been transformed by the blood of the Lamb

Chorus

There is nothing stronger than the wonder working power
of the blood, the blood that calls us sons and daughters
We are ransomed by our Father through the blood, the blood *(x2)*

Chorus

Glory to His name, Glory to His name
There to my heart was the blood applied, Glory to His name

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Counting My Blessings

Chorus: God, I'm still counting my blessings, All that you've done in my life
The more that I look in the details, The more of your goodness I find
Father on this side of heaven, I know that I'll run out of time
But I will keep counting my blessings, Knowing I can't count that high

One two three, Up to infinity,
I'd run out of numbers before I could thank you for everything

Chorus I will keep counting my blessings, Knowing I can't count that high

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