

# Platte Christian Reformed Church

*"In All Things, Christ Pre-Eminent"*

*Pastor Drew Hoekema*



**Sunday, November 16, 2025**

**10:00 AM - Morning Worship Service**

**6:00 PM - Tackling Tough Topics Seminar**

**11:15 AM Sunday School**

**The both services will be Live Streamed on web & scanners.**

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## **Mission Statement**

**To Know Christ**-as Savior and Lord

**To Be Like Christ**-by Our Words and Actions

**To Share Christ**-at Home and Throughout the World

# **Sunday Morning Worship**

November 16, 2025

## **Praise of God**

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

\*God's Greeting and Mutual Greetings

*\*How Can I Keep From Singing*

*\*Oh How Good It Is*

## **Reconciliation with God**

Call and Prayer for Confession

Profession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q/A 1

Word of Assurance

## **Thanksgiving to God**

*How Blest Is He Whose Trespass* – PH 55 [vv. 1-3]

Morning Pastoral Prayer

## **Guidance from God**

Scripture Reading: **Deuteronomy 13**

Message: **“Before Treason Goes Viral”** –

**Deuteronomy: Love in God's Land [14]**

Prayer of Petition

## **Sending by God**

*\*Be Thou My Vision* – CH 562

\*Benediction

*\*O Praise Ye the Lord* – PH 306 [vv. 1 & 3]

*\*Collection will be taken for DCS at the exits as you leave\**

(\*) – indicates congregation standing (\*\*) – indicates member or praise team led

**November 16, 2025 – Morning – Deuteronomy 13**  
**“Before Treason Goes Viral” –**  
**Deuteronomy: Love in God’s Land [14]**

1. Many Things

2. One Thing

3. Nothing

What **one truth** struck you about this message?

What **one thing** will you seek to do differently this week?

*“Always be joyful. Never stop praying. Be thankful in all circumstances, for this is God’s will for you who belong to Christ Jesus.” 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18*

**WELCOME:** A sincere and warm welcome is extended to everyone who worships here today. May the living Lord grant to each of us His blessing as we bring our thanksgiving of praise in the merit of Christ.

**Please pause for a moment** after the morning service to allow the children to exit for PreK-6<sup>th</sup> grade Sunday School.

**Children aged 3-5** meet **Jeanette Pheifer** in the foyer before the sermon this morning for **Children’s Church**.

**Please pause for a moment** after the morning service to allow the children to exit for PreK-6th grade Sunday School.

**This morning**, we will hold our annual congregational meeting immediately after worship. Members are strongly encouraged to attend, and any visitors are welcome to attend as observers. If unable to attend, members should be sure to submit absentee ballots in a signed and sealed envelope to Council Clerk Elroy Kaemingk.

**Next Sunday morning**, we will be celebrating the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday in worship.

**This evening** we will continue our **Tackling Tough Topics: Relationships** Sunday evening seminars in the Fellowship Hall at 6pm. This evening, in the relationship of **Lovers**, Pastor Drew will be considering wise Biblical principles for navigating singleness, dating, marriage and widowhood.

### **PRAYER & PRAISE**

Please be in prayer for **Elaine Boltjes**, who suffered an apparent stroke this past week at the nursing home. Ask for clarity as all involved continue to determine the extent, for God's hand to uphold Elaine in comfort, and for God's peace to surround Elaine's family.

Dear church family,

Thank you so much for the box of awesome things that you sent me. It made my day, and I really appreciate it!

Thanks again, Austin Krogstad

A huge **'thank you'** to everyone who donated to the produce table this year! It was all very much appreciated!

**OUR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Food Drive:** We will be celebrating **Thanksgiving** in worship on **November 23**— the deacons request that you might bring donations for the food pantry to worship on that morning.

**From the Deacons:** The deacons want to ‘thank’ all those who give faithfully. This is an update on where we stand currently with our budget. Our annual **Thanksgiving offering** will be collected next Sunday, **November 23** and a **General Fund** offering will be on **November 30**.

As of October 31, 2025		
<b>General Fund Offerings:</b>		<b>Year-to-Date</b>
Budget		\$ 222,058.10
Offerings Received		\$ 159,392.53
Total (Ahead)/ <b>Short</b>		<b>\$ 62,665.57</b>

**Tackling Tough Topics:** This year, the theme is **Relationships**. God places other people into your life, and yet these relationships can be the most challenging part of your life! Come hear about principles involving these types of relationships:

- 11/16: Lovers - Dating, Marriage and Purity
- 11/23: Family - Children, Parents and In-Laws
- 11/30: Partners - Mentors, Disciples and Companions

**Christmas Program Practice:** will be held **after church** on Nov. 30, Dec. 7, & Dec. 14. The Christmas **program** will be held on **Sunday, December 14 at 4 PM**.

## AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Harrison Community Church** will be hosting a request program **November 16 at 7:00 pm.**

**DCS Scrip Order** will be placed on **Tuesday, November 18.** Orders may be place in Joan's mailbox until Sunday evening or brought to DCS by 8:30am on Tuesday. The deadline for online orders is midnight Monday night. Thanks for using this means to support Christian education!

**High School Students:** The **Platte Community Youth Group Retreat** is planned for **Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>** near Yankton. \$100/student. Contact Paul Kimball or Katie Hoekema for more info or to sign up!

**Advent Bible Study:** The Martha Group at Trinity Lutheran Church will be going through the Advent study, *Waiting Here For You*. It will be on **Mondays: Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>** @ **6:30pm** in the **Fireside Fellowship Room**. \*If inclement weather, make up day will be the Thursday of that week.\* Books available at: Christianbook.com, Amazon, Walmart or contact Mary to reserve a book. \*When ordering purchase the "Bible Study Guide with streaming video". **All are welcome** to join an Advent Journey of Hope.

**Casa por Cristo-** Ken and Karla Overweg will be participating in a Casa por Cristo build December 27-30 in Juárez, Mexico. Along with building a home for a family there are optional gifts for the family that can be given — mini-split \$550. Full size bed \$225, Twin bed \$175, bunk bed \$450, bathroom \$2000. If interested in contributing funds for the gifts or more information contact Ken or Karla Overweg.

## **THIS WEEK PRAY FOR OUR FELLOWSHIP**

**Sunday–Missionaries:** LaVeryl & Max Voss- JAARS (Wycliffe)

**Monday: Special Grace:** Henrietta Sybesma

**Tuesday:** Anthony, Josie, Audrey, Zoey, Maley, Sasha, & Indey  
DeHaan

**Wednesday:** Curt & Kristi Pheifer, Travis Vanden Bos

**Thursday:** Randy & Nancy Pheifer, Dorothy Vander Tuin

**Friday:** Leon & Verna Sprik, Donna Wojciechowski

**Saturday:** Jim & Glenda Vander Pol, Peter Backes

## **ADVANCE NOTICES**

***\*\*Mon., Dec. 1 - Deacons Mtg. @ 6 PM***

***\*\*Tues., Dec. 2 - Council Mtg. @ 7 PM, Elders Mtg. @ 8 PM***

***\*\*Sun., Dec. 7 - Communion***

***\*\*Sun., Dec. 14 - Christmas Program @ 4 PM***

**\*Work group #2** will be in charge of the next event/funeral.\*

## **Serving Schedule:**

<u><b>Date:</b></u>	<u><b>Sound</b></u>	<u><b>Proj.</b></u>	<u><b>Nursery</b></u>	<u><b>Valet</b></u>	<u><b>Coffee</b></u>	<u><b>Offering</b></u>
Nov. 16	Jared P.	Tony H.	Amy VZ/ Sasha D.	Ryan VZ.	Ron VZ./ Ken VZ.	DCS
Nov. 23	Duane M.	Sean S.	Pam V./ Alyssa M.	Curt P.	Vern V./ Ryan VZ.	Thanksgiving Offering/ Library

2025 ELDERS AND DEACONS DISTRICTS

NORTH

Elroy Kaemingk Jeremy Bultsma		Curtis Sybesma Ian Kuipers	
N.W. Country		N.E. Country	
Ivan Van Dusseldorp Dale Severson		Jim Buitenbos Brady Kok	
N.W. Town		N.E. Town	
S.W.Town		S.E. Town	
Elmer Visscher Bob Middendorp		Darrel Kraayenbrink Jared Peters	
S.W.Country		S.E. Country	
Elmer Visscher Bob Middendorp		Elroy Kaemingk Jeremy Bultsma	

SOUTH