

Platte Christian Reformed Church

"In All Things, Christ Pre-Eminent"

Pastor Drew Hoekema



Sunday, November 23, 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 23, 2025

Praise of God

Welcome and Announcements

**Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* – CH 797

*Responsive Call to Worship (Psalm 100)

*God's Greeting and Mutual Greetings

**Let All Things Now Living* – CH 794

Reconciliation with God

Call and Prayer for Confession

Word of Assurance

Thanksgiving to God

We Give Thanks for Our Nation

My Heart Is Filled With Thankfulness

We Give Thanks for Our Church

Count Your Blessings – CH 786

We Give Thanks for (and with) Our Children

Prayer

Guidance from God

Scripture Reading: **Deuteronomy 14**

Message: **"Israel Prepares for Thanksgiving"** –

Deuteronomy: Love in God's Land [16]

Prayer of Petition

Sending by God

**Give Thanks to God, for Good is He* – PH 284

*Benediction

**Now Thank We All Our God* – CH 788 (vs. 3)

Collection will be taken for **Thanksgiving Offering at the exits as you leave**

November 23, 2025 – Morning – Deuteronomy 14
“Israel Prepares for Thanksgiving” –
Deuteronomy: Love in God’s Land [16]

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

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

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.” Psalm 118:19

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.

We invite you to **join us in the Fellowship Hall** following our morning service for refreshments and fellowship.

Children aged 3-5 meet **Val Kuipers** 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, at the open of worship, we will be **selecting council office-bearers** for the 2026-2028 term of council. These nominees came from the congregation, were approved as qualified by a majority of council, and then by a 2/3 majority of the congregation. Two elders will be selected, along with two deacons.

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 **Family**.

PRAYER & PRAISE

This past week I had a positive Pet Scan. I will continue to receive chemo infusions every 3 weeks. We wish to **‘Thank’** our church family over this past year for your love, cards, visits, food, encouragement, and most of all your prayer support. “Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.” Romans 12:12
Thank-you, Verna & Leon Sprik

Please remember to pray for the family of **Elaine Boltjes**, who died last week and whose body was laid to rest this past Thursday. Ask for the Lord's peace to surround this family as they now move forward.

OUR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting: At last week's annual congregational meeting, the following items were approved (results of council nominee approval is confidential):

Annual Budget [Majority needed]: 87 of 91 [95.6%]

Fellowship Group Proposal [60% needed]: 69 of 91 [75.8%]

Missionary Support:

Victor & Lori Selemani [89-91]

Max & LaVeyl Voss [79-91]

Calvin & Jessica Wunderink [85-91]

Andi Voss [86-91]

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

Vine Table Meal: will be on **December 13th** at **11:30am**. They will be serving Beef Roast. Please invite a friend! Sign up in the Narthex or call Norma Lorensen. We are looking to share this ministry with any who would like to help.

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. 24th, Dec. 1st, 8th & 15th** @ **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: Calvin & Jessica Wunderink, TeachBeyond

Monday: Special Grace: Hennie Van Essen

Tuesday: Michael, Abby, Laney, Lincoln, & Jordy Buitenbos

Wednesday: Curtis & Tiffany Sybesma, Darlys Sprik

Thursday: Jay & Melissa Sybesma, Cheryl Pruett

Friday: Keith & Harriett Sybesma, Danica Middendorp

Saturday: Kris & Molly Sybesma, Tony Hansum

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 #3 will be in charge of the next event/funeral.

Serving Schedule:

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Sound</u>	<u>Proj.</u>	<u>Nursery</u>	<u>Valet</u>	<u>Coffee</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Nov. 23	Duane M.	Sean S.	Pam V./ Alyssa M.	Curt P.	Vern VV./ Harlan VG.	Thanksgiving Offering/ Library
Nov. 30	Larry H.	Ian K.	Josie D./ Addison K.	Randy P.	Brent V./ Donna W./ Darlys S.	General Fund