

The Trumpeter

Spearfish United Methodist Church

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Pastor's Page

"Gratitude...just Gratitude"

Today I am swimming in gratitude. I am incredibly grateful for some things that have happened. And I am incredibly grateful for some things that have NOT happened.

So what DID happen? A couple weeks ago Colleen and I went up to Bismarck for Annual Conference. I am so grateful for our Dakotas Annual Conference, for the Christ-centered work ethic that we as church's share and for the grace of God that is lived between us. From there we traveled over to the Twin Cities to celebrate Sean Sutton's wedding. Sean was our Spearfish Worship Coordinator for a number of years as he was finishing his Bachelors degree here at BHSU. I am grateful for the joy of his marriage. From there we drove back to Lisbon, ND, where my father lives. Together we celebrated his 90th birthday. What a great party! Sometimes I am grateful for the things that happen.



And then there are the days that I am grateful for what did NOT happen. I am grateful to Spearfish Church and to the Dakotas Conference for reappointing me as pastor of this church for another year. Colleen and I are finishing year number eight and beginning year number nine.

What did not happen was a move! I am incredibly grateful to NOT see a moving van in my driveway! I am grateful for the car accident that I was not involved in. I watched as a car made an illegal move on Spearfish Main Street and missed me. I could just have easily been talking with my insurance company and body shop right now. But I'm NOT. Aaaaaand...I am so grateful for a funeral that did not happen this week. I can't give you any details whatsoever, but what I can tell you is that one of our church members almost died this month. And

DIDN'T! Funny how life goes on as normal as we don't fully realize what just did NOT happen.

So, this summer, may you see the things in your life that bring gratitude! May there be JOY!

In Christ,

Pastor Scott

Participation Opportunities



KIT BLITZ!

Brenda and some of our youth are heading to Kansas City for YOUTH 2019 in July for a time of study, service, worship, & inspiration. One of the service projects will be collecting items for school kits for assembly & distribution all over the world. WE CAN HELP by bringing the items listed below and sending them with the youth. Items can be dropped off at the church any weekday until July 5 or at our 5th Sunday worship on June 30 at the ballpark.

NOTE: All items must be new.

- 3 notebooks - 1-subject, spiral, 8"x10 1/2"
- 6 unsharpened pencils - no advertising
- 1 ruler - 12" long, with metric
- 1 eraser - 2" or larger
- 1 pencil sharpener
- 1 box of 12 colored pencils
- 1 box of 24 crayons
- 1 pair of student round-tipped scissors



Urban Plunge/Youth 2019 Mission – July 6-14

Christian Bradford, Sam Tobin, Josie Tobin, Jacob Brewer, Logan Brewer, Tad Brewer, Marissa Darrow, Isabell Jensen, Kaylee Johannesen, Isabella Rodriquez, Brenda Swanson, Carrie Swanson

Ben’s Epic Adventure – July 21-26

Ambrie Zanton

Leadership Training Camp (LTC) – July 21-27

Christian Bradford, Kaylee Johannesen, Isabell Jensen, Brenda Swanson

Summer Choir

Summer Choir has no mid-week rehearsal – if you want to sing, meet at the piano in the Sanctuary at 9:45 a.m. to rehearse a song to sing at the 10:30 worship service. All are welcome!

Summer choir will meet on the following dates: July 7, 21, 28, Aug. 4, 11.

“Coffee & Conversation”



Come and have a cup of coffee and join in the conversation on Thursday, July 11 from 2-4:00 p.m. This group meets the second Thursday of each month in the Fellowship Hall.

Everyone is welcome so please bring your friends.

Dinah’s Book Club

The book club will meet Monday, July 8 at noon in the UMC parlor. The group will be reading and discussing *A Man Called Ova* by Fredrick Backman. The books may be picked up in the church office.

Youth 2019 & Urban Plunge

We’ve looked forward to this trip for the last four years and it’s almost here! Every four years the United

Methodist global youth gathering takes place and this year is the year!

Twelve students and adults from Spearfish UMC will be traveling to Kansas City July 7th to join others from across the U.S. and beyond for exciting worship, workshops, mission projects, and fellowship.

There are 4 buses from the Dakotas traveling to Kansas City with 177 adults and students. The first 2 ½ days in Kansas City will be spent working with Urban Plunge doing mission work throughout the city. Halfway through the week the group will spend an afternoon and evening at Worlds of Fun Amusement Park. On Wednesday evening is opening worship for the Youth 2019 Conference and it will continue through Saturday.

A prayer calendar is in this mailing so you can partner with us in this meaningful experience.

Spearfish UMC team members are:

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| Christian Bradford | Jacob Brewer |
| Logan Brewer | Tad Brewer* |
| Marissa Darrow | Izzy Jensen |
| Kaylee Johannesen | Iz Rodriguez |
| Brenda Swanson* | Carrie Swanson* |
| Josie Tobin | Sam Tobin |

*Adults



- Youth are invited to volunteer to help with Vacation Bible School the week of August 19-23 from 8:30 – 11:00 am each day.
- Youth are also invited to volunteer to help with Sidewalk Sunday School which will be held the evenings of July 9, 16, 23 & 30 from 5:00 – 8:00 pm. Let Brenda know!
- Youth! Be sure to check your calendars for events happening this summer!

Children & Youth Ministry Cohort Update

Annual Conference for the United Methodist Church held in Bismarck, was the site for the kick-off for the new teams in the Children & Youth Ministry Cohort for the coming year.

The team from Spearfish consisting of Pastor Scott, Dave Zanton, Carrie Swanson and Brenda Swanson will begin their training on July 27th at Dakota Wesleyan

University along with the other teams from around the Dakotas. They are being guided by Steph Caro from Ministry Architects.



Please keep the teams in your prayers as they discover how to reach our children, youth and families in new and exciting ways!

Sidewalk “Sunday” School

Join us in mission right here in Spearfish as we head to Lion’s Park Tuesday nights in July (starting on the 9th) to invite kids and families for an evening of food, fun, crafts, music and teaching about God’s power!

If you can help one week, GREAT! If you can help every week, AWESOME! We’ll need folks to help cook hotdogs, serve food, clean up, set up, help with crafts, music, activities and storytelling each week. It will be a lot of fun and a great way to be in mission and still sleep in your own bed! ☺



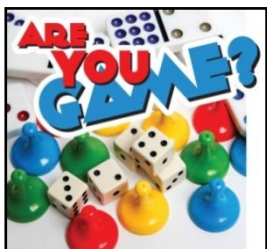
Children First

Children First had a bit of a bumpy start to our summer, delaying the first day of our summer program by 3 days due to asbestos being removed from the boiler in preparation for removal and installation of a new boiler. We are now up and running and have a summer full of fun and learning planned.

We have a few afternoon spots still open for fall, so if you know of anyone looking, send them our way!

Our 4 & 5 year old preschool class went on a field trip to tour the Broken Boot Gold Mine in Lead, which was both interesting and fun. Their next field trip is to the geology museum on the School of Mines campus in Rapid City.

Family Game Night



Join us on Sunday, July 21st from 5-7 pm in the Fellowship Hall for Family Game Night! We will start by having tacos and then move on to play some games and have fun! We will also be having a screening of “Life of Pi” in

connection with our sermon series on World Religions.

You are welcome to bring a dish or kid-friendly beverage to share with group or just bring yourself!

Rushmore Music Festival

As part of the Rushmore Music Festival, a group of students, ages 10-18, will perform a concert of string and piano music at the church on Wednesday, July 10 at 3:30 pm. The festival brings students together for three weeks to participate in classes and private lessons. All are invited to attend and encourage these students in their musical growth.

United Methodist Women (UMW)

Hello Ladies,

I miss you - ALL OF YOU! Because of that, I've made an executive decision and I've scheduled a pot-luck salad/dessert luncheon to be held in the church fellowship hall at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, July 16, 2019.

All women of the church are invited and there will NOT be a meeting. Just a time of fellowship, food and fun. It's been an unusual summer and after seeing each other a couple times a month, this seemed like a good time to connect.

Please bring a salad or dessert to share and any news or fun activity that you have experienced since we were last together. See you on July 16th.

Vice-chairman: Connie Swander-Ericsson



Yes, You Can!

As we prepare for our up-coming Vacation Bible School August 19-23 we will be looking for volunteers.

You can help by “shepherding” students from station to station, helping the leaders at the stations (extra sets of hands are wonderful!), bringing snacks, helping serve snacks, inviting kids in your neighborhood, helping with registration and by being a greeter and welcoming students each day! Share your love!



If you can help, call Brenda (641-4864) or the church office. If you can bring snacks, call Connie at 722-4827.

Council Highlights June 2019

****Note:** No Church Council Meeting was held in June, however, treasurer Karen Hahn and the committees who met submitted the following reports. **Next Church Council Meeting will be on July 17 at 6:30 pm.**

- ✓ **TREASURER'S REPORT:** **General Fund--**Income for May 2019 was \$34,799.73, and total expenses were \$30,196.68, leaving a positive difference of \$4603.05 for the month and \$5797.01 for the year. **UMCOC Fund--**Income was \$3730.00, and expenses were \$2,837.37 for May, leaving a difference of \$892.63 for the month and a year to date balance of \$5799.55. **Children First—**Children First continues to be financially strong with a May income of \$33,829.13 and expenses of \$28,709.04. The year to date balance is \$25,813.06. The Children First fiscal year will end August 31, 2019. **Debt Retirement / Capital Fund--** Looking ahead to the UMCOC boiler replacement, the **Parsonage Repayment Fund** has been changed to **Debt Retirement / Capital Fund** in anticipation of that work, as well as future projects. May income into the Debt Retirement / Capital Fund is \$10,475.87 which includes pledges and the transfer of monies (\$5656.39) from the Heating Upgrade Fund and the balance from Capital Needs (\$2067.96). Expenses for May are \$828.46, leaving a May difference of \$9,647.41, and year to date balance of \$20,898.44. **Mission Giving—**Mission Giving began May with a balance of \$24,734.30 with revenue of \$3137.00 and expenses of \$4604.95, leaving an ending balance of \$23,266.35.
- ✓ **CHILDREN FIRST REPORT:** The Children First Board discussed the timing of the asbestos removal for the new boiler. This impacted families, staff, and finances since Children First had to be closed from May 28-June 5. Magnetic door holds must be installed.
- ✓ **MISSIONS REPORT:** The committee did not formally meet, but they shared their income for May. They received the following amounts of money: Pastor's Discretionary

fund--\$125; Benevolence Fund--\$200; Native American Ministries--\$123; Solar Oven Project --\$110; St. Andrew Society--\$200; UMCOR--\$100; Hope Center--\$100; Artemis House--\$1394; Food Pantry--\$200; Honduras VIM--\$50; Tree of Life--\$535

- ✓ **STAFF/PARISH RELATIONS REPORT:** The Staff Parish Relations Committee met on Tuesday, June 11th. The following items were discussed: meeting and getting to know our Elisha Intern, Allison; discussing any current staffing concerns; working on strengthening our buddy system with our staff; and planning for looking into improving our staff evaluation process.
- ✓ **TRUSTEES REPORT:** Although the Trustees did not meet in June, the Trustees did approve the installation of six electric door hold open devices for UMCOC per Ron Borgman's request.
- ✓ **YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT:** The Youth continue to meet through the summer with various activities in various places. Preparations are being made for the United Methodist Youth Global gathering in Kansas City. Four buses from the Dakotas will be going to KC for mission activities and youth conference from July 7-14. Youth are attending camps at Storm Mt. and Lake Poinsett this summer also. Thanks to this congregation and to God for the continued support of this ministry!

Northern Hills Sources of Support Hires Executive Director

Northern Hills Sources of Support (SOS) recently hired Christine Pierson as their Executive Director. She began her part-time position in early June. As Executive Director, Christine will work with the Board of Directors to manage and expand the database of assistance organizations in the Northern Hills, organize outreach events and projects, help with communications through website and social media outlets and seek further funding for the organization. Hiring an executive director enables SOS to move forward with its mission of creating a poverty-aware community that builds strong and supportive relationships with those in need.

If you would like to find out more about SOS, please check out their website at www.northernhillssos.org follow them on Facebook, or contact Christine at 605.920.1975.

Caring Meal Ministry Referrals

We need your help in notifying the church office (642-3457), when there is a need for a meal to be delivered. If you have a need for food to be delivered or if you know of someone that needs this ministry, please call. (Ex. During an illness or death, new baby...). **We appreciate your referrals.** It means so much to know our church cares.

Health Ministry Committee

MISSIONS

July is Time to Sink that Canoe Again!



This year's Spearfish Food Pantry donation drive goal is set at sinking 2 canoes, or 1600 lbs. We haven't been getting as many donations so far this year so hopefully we have all saved up to overload that canoe!

Last year over 100 individuals representing twelve churches in the Spearfish and St. Onge communities volunteered their time to provide food service assistance each month to an average of **280 families**, consisting of approximately **700 people** of which **250 were children**. Over **727** different families utilized the Pantry at least one time during the year.

In 2018 the Pantry **purchased an average of \$5,246.00 of food each month** from Feeding South Dakota in Rapid City and area grocery stores to supplement the 54,324 pounds of pull out products received from Wal-Mart and the 30,000 pounds received from other food drives and individual donations.

If you prefer to give actual food items, some items we can always use include: Apple Juice, jars of Applesauce, Saltine Crackers, Canned Pears or Pineapple, non-sugared cereals, noodles, spaghetti sauce, peanut butter and 4 pack toilet paper. Start shopping sales now!

Sign-up sheets will be in the fellowship hall during the month of July for volunteers to sign up for our first 2 weeks of pantry duty in August. If you have never worked at the pantry, you are missing a very rewarding experience. Pick one day & give it a try- from 8:45 a.m. to noon.

See you there. Marilyn Halse



July Food Pantry Needs

- Canned Beets
- Tomato Sauce
- Jam or Jelly
- Canned Carrots
- Pancake Syrup
- Bisquick



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BIRTHDAYS

Arne Koski	07-01	Sam Tobin	07-16
Terry Prante	07-01	Ricky Ball	07-18
Rylan VanDeest	07-01	Jack Beringer	07-20
Jaron Hyatt	07-02	Dorothy Swanson	07-21
Payton Reede	07-02	Lindsey Hahn	07-21
Rita Knipfer	07-03	Jocelyn Brown	07-22
Daryl Hayes	07-03	Betty Wilson	07-23
Bobbi Looney	07-04	Ryan Jennings	07-23
Vivian Besler	07-04	Irma Means	07-24
Nick Jensen	07-05	Tammie Wood	07-24
Claire Bussiere	07-05	Lucille Cudmore	07-25
Anthony Swanson	07-07	Norma Perry	07-25
Nathan Gaddis	07-08	Mary Hallenbeck	07-25
Ross English	07-08	Jason Leonard	07-25
Evan Roles	07-08	Helen Stiles	07-26
Peggy Bosch	07-09	Ida Moshier	07-26
Sam Jennings	07-10	Barbara Elving	07-27
Luena Lent	07-12	Beth Bentley	07-27
Odessa Eddie	07-12	Ival Jones-Hazledine	07-27
Karlee Paulson	07-12	Joanna Jones	07-28

Austin Hendricks	07-13	Glenn Foltz	07-28
Duane Bury	07-14	Jayde Engel	07-28
Misty Ball	07-14	Jade Clayton	07-28
Taylor Murray	07-14	Cassandra Gee	07-29
Tessa Haag	07-14	Derek Larsen	07-29
Gladys Nicholas	07-06	Kadyn Loup	07-29
Jane Carlstrom	07-16	Elijah Shank	07-29
Melissa Heckel	07-16	Josiah Foltz	07-29
Lauren Haiar	07-16	Don Looney	07-30
		Myron Sullivan	07-30

ANNIVERSARIES

Samantha & Justin Stricker	07/04~5 yrs.
Joel & Heather Lensegrav	07/06~6 yrs.
Doug & Linda Stratton	07/07~12 yrs.
Andy & Jamie VanDeest	07/08~13 yrs.
Lyle & Joan Bockwoldt	07/09~66 yrs.
Brendan & Gabrielle Hansen	07/09~1 yr.
Derek & Melody Larsen	07/11~4 yrs.
Ron & Norma Landsberger	07/13~45 yrs.
Stephen & Stacey Lust	07/15~13 yrs.
Isaac & Colleen Johnson	07/17~4 yrs.
Michael & Margie Hildebrand	07/19~6 yrs.
Perry & Cherry Hansen	07/21~18 yrs.
Shane & Sarah Hazledine	07/22~19 yrs.
Eric & Danielle Ligtenberg	07/22~19 yrs.
Luke & Meloney Bushor	07/24~9 yrs.
Dave & Jessica Zanton	07/25~21 yrs.
Ron & Brenda Hendricks	07/27~23 yrs.
Rob & Beth Bentley	07/29~41 yrs.
Jay & Yvonne Adrion	07/29~14 yrs.
James & Ashley Reiner	07/29~13 yrs.
Jerrod & Rena Bartol	07/30~14 yrs.

FINANCES

Come, Share, Rejoice!

"Will you be loyal to the United Methodist Church, and uphold it by your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness?"

GENERAL FUND 2019			
Month	Actual Income	Actual Expenses	Difference
Jan.	34,146.37	38,646.63	-4,500.26
Feb.	32,314.14	29,699.48	2,509.99
Mar.	39,914.00	37,192.46	2,721.54
Apr.	39,090.19	38,279.60	810.59
May	34,799.73	30,196.68	4,603.05

DEBT RETIREMENT/CAPITAL FUND 2019			
Month	Actual Income	Month	Actual Income
Jan.	3,101.09	Feb.	2,594.00
Mar.	4,085.00	Apr.	2,910.00
May	10,475.87		

Worship Attendance for June: 715 (Avg/Wk = 179) *

* As of June 24

Special Gifts for June*

UMCOC Heating Upgrade Fund	\$ 2,000.00
Elisha Project Income	4,000.00
Food Pantry	65.00
Choir Scholarship Fund	25.00
Caring Meals Income	200.00
Sprinkler Income	100.00
Adult Education Fund Income	245.00
Yoga Charity Fund	330.55
UMCOC Donations	380.00
Children First Scholarships	450.00
Children First Donations	255.00
Ken Perry Memorial	45.00
Peace with Justice	169.00
Honduras VIM Fund	50.00
Solar Ovens	340.00
Tree of Life	187.50
Youth Missions	252.21
Youth Fund	10.00
TOTAL	\$ 9,104.26

Special Funds for June*

Benevolence Fund	\$ 200.00
Pastor's Discretionary	80.00
TOTAL	\$ 280.00



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Return Service Requested

Sunday Worship:

“The Gathering” ~ 8:15 a.m.
“Children’s Church” – 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.
“The Sanctuary” ~ 10:30 a.m.
Nursery care/Van rides to worship
CD’s of worship

Sunday School: 9:25 a.m.

Saturday “Blue Jean” Worship ~ 5:30 p.m.

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