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Pastor's Page

"Transaction and Transformation"

"Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the

renewing of your mind". Romans 12: 2

In every area of our lives, there is a big difference between transaction and transformation.

Transaction: You go to your favorite store, wander through the aisles, find what you need, pay for it, and take it home. Yup, that's a transaction. I give you something, and you give me something in return.

Transformation: You enter into conversation with a person. They share a story with you that is incredibly powerful. That story goes right straight to your heart, and you are changed. Something happens, and you are changed.



We deal with transactions every day, multiple times each day. We make transactions every time we go to the store, to the gas station, or make a purchase online. We make a transaction when we make deals inside of our families, our friendships, and our

workplaces: "If you will do this for me, I'll do that for you." We even make transactions in our churches. For example, we come to worship, but with expectations of what that moment will do for me. This isn't a bad thing at all. It's common "I think I'll go to worship today. I'm really looking forward to a cookie and a cup of coffee afterward."

But in a church...an active, loving congregation centered on Jesus Christ...our goal is never simply transaction. It's transformation.

Think about this: I'm a new grandfather. And on that day six months ago when Maren was born, I got to hold her for the very first time. And you know that my life was changed. I was instantly transformed into a person deeply in love with that little girl. But now Maren is growing, and many Sundays she is in church. Seldom

is she actually in my arms when she is here. Why? Because it turns out I'm not the only person who likes her! She is passed from person to person to person during her time here. Others have also been transformed. Our church has been transformed simply because one little girl appeared in our sanctuary. (This, by the way, is true of EVERY child in our church. It doesn't matter who the child is, this congregation has the ability to love and be transformed by every child in our midst.) BUT...think about this...Maren (and every child) is also being transformed in return. Loving congregations change children. They teach them, nurture them, laugh with them, guide them...transform them.

Healthy, active churches are all about transforming people. Think about the offering plate for a moment. Each Sunday when we pass the plates, this is simultaneously transaction and transformation. It's a transaction because many times we



feel that this is just the thing to do: We come to church. We put money in the plate. That's a transaction plain and simple, but it can also be a transformation. I know people who give to the church in order to support our Children First Preschool. When they put an offering in the plate, they know that they are actually changing a preschool by helping pay teachers' salaries and helping to buy important supplies. They know that this teacher and those supplies are going to transform the life of a preschooler. They know that this preschooler will grow and someday change the world. This is transformation.

And the biggest transformation of all? It happens when we move past trying to make deals and transactions with God and instead surrender our lives to Christ. When we are transformed in faith, the entire world shifts for us. In Romans Paul says, "Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind." THIS is the power of our congregation. It is the power of every healthy, active congregation that is seeking to make disciples of Jesus Christ and transform our world. The world is transformed when WE are transformed. As a pastor this is always what I am doing: inviting you into the heart of transformation!

Pastor Scott

Participation Opportunities

Grubby Sunday



Join us for a Sunday of breakfast at 8:00 a.m. followed by worship, fellowship, and service on **Sunday**, **September 29**th! The weekend will consist of only the one service and our service projects.

We will begin the morning at 8:00 a.m. with breakfast and worship. After worship we will break into groups and head off to projects! Everything from making a homemade card to painting and mowing. If you have a project you need done or a need you see in the community, please contact the church office by September 15th at 642-3457.

We want YOU for Grubby Sunday!

Meet Mary Tracy our new Financial Assistant



Mary was born in Isabelle, SD. Her father was a Methodist minister so her early years were lived in several South Dakota communities; Timber Lake, Faith, Alexandria, Onida, and Hitchcock.

She obtained her

Bachelor of Arts at Augustana University in Sioux Falls and later her Masters in Business Administration at Regis University in Denver, Colorado. She has held several positions in accounting such as accounts payable, receivables, general ledger and has managed compensation, human resources, payroll and benefits. Her background also includes project management for installation of human resources, payroll and benefit systems.

She and her husband Mark recently moved to Spearfish from Windsor, Colorado, which is half way between Mary's family in South Dakota and Mark's family in the Denver area.

Katie Clark our new Children's Ministry Coordinator

My name is Katie Clark and I am from Valley City, North Dakota. I am transferring from Valley City State University where I studied Elementary Education. I will continue my education at Black Hills State University where I will double major in Special Education and



Elementary Education. I am very excited to start here as the Children's Ministry Coordinator.

I am looking forward to getting involved with both the church and the university. Some activities that I was involved in at my last church were singing on the praise team, helping with VBS, serving on CCYM in high school, volunteering at church camp, and working at the coffee kiosk in our parking lot. At the university I played tennis and was part of multiple different clubs and organizations.

I look forward to what's next in my new adventure. God has definitely steered me in this direction of leadership and ministry for a reason.

Adult Choir Begins

Adult Choir will begin rehearsing on Wednesday, Sept. 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the choir room. All ages, from high school through 100, are welcome! The choir will sing at the 10:30 worship service each week, beginning Sept. 8. Come and make your voices heard!

All-Comers Chime Choir

"All Comers Chime Choir" will be meeting for the first time on Sunday, September 8 right after the 10:30 worship service. No experience is needed and all ages are welcome. Meet in the Choir Room upstairs with Barbara "Babs" Elving.

Dinah's Book Club

The book club will meet Monday, September 9 at noon in the UMC parlor. The group will be reading and discussing *My Antonia* by Willa Cather. The books may be picked up in the church office.

"Coffee & Conversation"

The meeting time has changed to the 3rd Thursday of each month starting Sept. 19 at 2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Come and have a free cup of coffee and join in the conversation. Tell us where you started



your school journey. What made you like or dislike school. Who was your favorite teacher? What was your least favorite thing? Do you have pictures to share?

You may bring any of the school supplies that were listed in the bulletin this last month.

Everyone is welcome so please bring your friends.

Kicking Off for Fall!



Children's Church and Sunday School classes will be "kicking off" on Sunday, September 8th! Ready, set, go! Children's Church is available for ages 3 through 5th

grade during both Sunday worship services (8:15 & 10:30 am). Kids head up to the classrooms following the Children's Message with volunteer leaders.

Sunday school takes place at 9:15 am (between worship services) and there are classes for all ages!

Join us as we grow in faith and discipleship!

Tech Booth Team

We are always in need of more people to join the Tech Booth Team of the church! Our tech team creates the slides you see on the screens every weekend and ensures the smooth operation of both the slides and the sound. We could use more people in the rotation for every service, especially the Sanctuary (10:30) service.

Optimally, we have one person running the slides and one running the sound each service. If you would like to be trained on setting up and/or running the tech booth for worship, contact Kevin Nakajima at kevinmasanaka@gmail.com or (605) 559-0382 and he will set up a time with you!

Children First

It's hard to believe that summer is already drawing to a close. It has been a fun summer at Children First, but we are ready to move forward and jump into a new school year!

Our 2019-2020 school year starts on Tuesday, September 3rd. Our enrollment is almost completely full in every classroom and our teachers are excited to start the new school year.



- Youth group fall start-up is Wednesday, September 4 at 4 pm! All 6th through 12th graders are welcome for an evening of food, fun and fellowship!
- Youth summer trips and camps will be highlighted in worship the weekend of September 7 and 8. Join us as we hear how their experiences have helped them grow in faith!
- Youth Early Release activity on September 18th will take us to the Humane Society to volunteer! Join us at church by 1:30 pm!

VBS Success!

Thanks to everyone who helped, supported, planned, decorated, served, prayed for and led in Vacation Bible School this year! It was a great week and the kids had a



marvelous time! We had lots of great comments about how much fun was had and that "this was the best VBS the kids had done this year"! Thanks, everyone!

Tail Gate Gathering!



Join us September 13th for a Tail Gate Party at the SHS football game at Lyle Hare Stadium from 5-7 pm. We will be serving hotdogs, brats and chips as a way of offering hospitality to SHS students and

families! And we would love to have your help! Just give Brenda a call! We need cooks, help setting up, servers and hosts/hostesses! Or just come and hang out!

We Are Children First

by Janelle Jones



Spearfish UMC owns and operates Children First (CF), a preschool and childcare center for children 6 weeks to 5 years old. We are starting year 12 serving about 80 children with 20

employees. We are fortunate to have experienced lead teachers who have been with us for several years and many helpers/aides including BHSU students and other young adults who are passionate about working with children.

We are Children First. How can we support outstanding early childhood education right here? First priority for the CF Board is to increase wages. Throughout 2019 with minimum wage at \$9.10/hour, some applicants were unable to work at CF for that low wage, especially when they could work in fast food and other jobs that pay \$10, 11, 12/hour. One applicant for the CF custodial job was asking for \$20/hour. We must increase wages in order to maintain high quality care for children.

We are Children First. What are other ways to support CF? We can pray for the children, families and staff. We can visit or help out, such as read to a class or go on a field trip. Donations are always welcome; some give to CF every month. There are needs for paper towels, wet wipes, art supplies, healthy snacks or money. For service day, consider cleaning up areas of the playground, wood chips, or along the fence. We are Children First. I want to invite you to share a Bible story, teach a song, share a hobby, or help with mac & cheese days.

We are Children First. Over the past 11 years, CF tuition and fees have totaled close to 5.5 million dollars. Thank you, parents. A few examples of major expenses in the CF budget include: room reimbursement of \$30,000/year, insurance \$10,000/year, wages of nearly \$300,000/year, staff training, which is required to be state licensed of around \$1,000/year, classroom supplies nearly \$6000/year and snacks \$3000/year.

We are Children First. Offering snacks or money is one way to support CF.

- 1. Apples, bananas, Cuties
- 2. cheese—shredded, cubed, sliced and salami
- 3. frozen fruit, waffles, frozen small pancakes
- 4. pretzels, Gerber Puffs, gold fish, whales, Cheez
- 5. canned fruit, peanut butter, olives
- 6. carrots, celery
- 7. Cheerios, Rice Chex
- 8. cups of Mac-n-Cheese, microwaveable
- 9. popcorn, tortillas

You are invited to visit anytime. You may want to

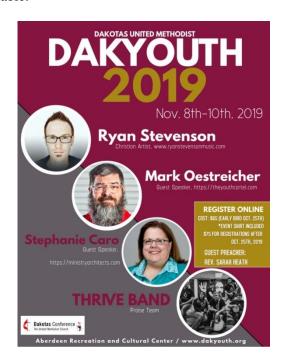
set a time to help serve the snack you are offering. Contact Melissa or Sarah at Children First, 642-1191.

DakYouth is Around the Bend!

Guess what!?? Only a couple months until DakYouth!!

DakYouth is the Dakotas Conference youth event for middle and high school students held once a year in Aberdeen. The weekend of November 8-10 hundreds of youth will gather to worship, play games, join in small groups, attend workshops and meet kids from all over North and South Dakota!

Start making plans now to attend and get your name in to Brenda to save your spot on the bus! The cost of the event is \$65 (before Oct. 25th) but scholarships are available.



Songs for Service Concert



On Saturday, September 21st, 2019 from 7-8:00 p.m., there will be a performance in support of our Grubby Sunday projects.

It is called Songs for Service, but it can be more of

a talent show. Sing your favorite song, give us your best reading of "Casey at the Bat", do an interpretive dance of the life cycle of a daisy. Anything is welcome as long as it is family friendly and is one of the first, at most, 15 to sign up. Contact Kevin Nakajima at

kevinmasanaka@gmail.com or (605) 559-0382.

Family Game Night



On Sunday, September 15th from 5-7:00 p.m., join us for Family Game Night! We have been having so much fun and really want you to be a part of the fun! This month's entree will be lasagna. Bring a side, dessert, or non-alcoholic beverage

to go with that if you would like, or just bring yourself! All are welcome!

United Methodist Women

Hi ladies, just like so many other groups and programs we are starting our fall schedule also. On Wed., Sept. 4 will have our Business Meeting at 10:00 a.m. in the Library. Anyone can attend this meeting and bring any business to our group.

Wed., Sept. 18 will be our general UMW Meeting with fellowship time at 9:30 a.m. and our meeting starting at 10:00 a.m. in the Library. Our Hostesses will be Betsy Williams and Monica Ingalls. Our Shepherdess, Donna Brenneise, will do the program about Mission u. We invite all women of the church to come, check us out and enjoy our fellowship as sisters in faith learning and doing missions together.

Submitted by Debra Richardson, United Methodist Women's President

Community Bible Study

Mission: to make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in our communities through caring, in-depth Bible study, available to all.

- Where: Countryside Church
- **When:** Thursday 10:30- 12:30, Starting Sept. 5
- What: ACTS- early church and learning to follow the Holy Spirit
- Who: Ladies of all ages & Children 0-5 (We have scholarships for New Moms with kids in the program.)
- Adult Registration: \$35 (scholarships available when needed)
- Child Registration: \$10
- **To register:** contact Marilyn at <u>blackhillscbs@gmail.com</u>. Check out the international organization:

www.communitybiblestudy.org. 450,000 adults & 210,000 children and youths.

Good Shepherd Clinic Meals needed

Good Shepherd Clinic is a free health clinic held each Monday evening at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. Each Monday evening 20-25 adults, without health insurance, receive free medical and dental screening and referrals to local physicians, hospitals, and dentists as needed. This clinic is staffed by community volunteers to provide hospitality, nursing/medical/dental care, screen for financial eligibility, monitor patient flow, maintain medical records, and provide information on community resources. Would you like to be involved????

Our church is responsible for providing meals on the fourth Monday of each month. Would you be available to make two dozen sandwiches and provide two dozen snack sized bags of veggies and/or fruit?

Volunteers are needed for the months of: October and November. If you would like more information or would like to sign up for a month, please contact Chris Davis at 218-340-5610 or cldavis57@hotmail.com.

What do medical and weather emergencies have in common???

by Chris Davis

An emergency is defined as "an urgent need for assistance or relief". So what do medical and weather emergencies have in common...they can both happen at any time and a response is required. The next question is, "How is our church prepared to handle medical and weather emergencies?"

Glad you asked...In July and August, a number of church members were invited to attend meetings in which we discussed the steps our church and its members should take in the event of an emergency. By walking through all areas and levels of the church, we learned the locations of: fire alarms, wheel chairs, first aid kits, phones (did you know you have to dial 9 to get an outside line?), safe areas (away from windows), the AED, and fire extinguishers. We pulled the fire alarm and heard that signal and saw the flashing warning lights.

The members that attended these meetings represent all three worship services and have backgrounds in medical, first response, and the military. They have agreed to assist and direct in medical and/or weather emergencies. BUT...the more people that are aware of the necessary steps to take, the better off our church is.

October is Church Security and Safety Month, and during a yet-to-be determined weekend, you will be invited to participate in tours of the church to learn what is in place to handle emergencies. We don't want to think about our family and friends in an emergency situation,

but should it arise, don't you want to be ready? Be sure to watch for more information for October.



Communion Prayer Stations

The first Sunday of each month we have communion and there are 2 prayer stations. This is an opportunity for the congregation to ask for personal prayers, prayers of thanksgiving, and to ask for prayers for family and others.

We would like to invite anyone interested in helping with the anointing and/or praying at the prayer stations to attend a Sept. 19 informative session from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the church Parlor. This will be presented by Joann Follette and Linda Hoxie. Volunteers are needed to help at the prayer stations.

Health Ministry Committee

CANCER-Now What?

The Health Ministry Committee has available an excellent book titled, *CANCER-Now What?* It can be checked out from the church library. The reviews on it are great!

It is about taking action, finding hope, and

navigating the journey ahead. The goal of the book *CANCER—Now What*? is to help those with cancer and their loved ones navigate the medical, emotional, relational, and spiritual challenges that cancer brings.

If you have cancer or you know someone that has cancer please let Orvette in the church office know by calling 642-3457 so we can make a book available to you.

Health Ministry Committee

"Prepare to Care" Health Forum

On October 20 from 4-5:00 p.m. "Prepare to Care" Health Forum will be held in the church library. The presentation will be

presented by AARP.

Most everyone has family or friends who are in need of



extra help/care. This forum will give you the tools to best help your family and friends. Care giving might be one of our most important roles in life.

We hope you can attend! This is an excellent program! Mark your calendar for Oct. 20 at 4:00 P.M.

Health Ministry Committee

Caring Meal Ministry

The Caring Meals Ministry has provided 21 meals the past 2 months. The people receiving the meals have been very appreciative! We are a church that cares about our congregation. Some of the feedback has been "the food was much appreciated, thank you for thinking of us."

Thank you to the volunteers who have been so generous in helping to provide meals. We could not provide this meaningful ministry if it wasn't for your help! If you would like to assist with the Caring Meal Ministry, by providing food or delivering meals, your help would be very welcome. You may call the church office if you are able to help.

Please notify the church office (642-3457) when there is a need for a meal to be delivered for yourself or if you know of someone that needs this ministry such as during an illness, death or a new baby, etc. We appreciate your referrals.

"Build others up according to their needs." (Ephesians 4:29)

Health Ministry Committee-"Caring Meal Ministry"

Council Highlights

August 21, 2019

- TREASURER'S REPORT: General Fund income for July 2019 is \$35,064.05 and total expenses are \$34,669.89 leaving a positive difference of \$394.16 for the month and \$10,959.36 for the year. All apportionments for 2019 have been paid. UMCOC income is \$6235.00 and expenses \$2,223.50 for July, leaving a difference of \$4011.50 for the month and a year to date balance of \$12,108.81. Children First income for June is \$23,517.18 and expenses of \$28,462.17, leaving the monthly difference of negative \$4.944.99. The year to date balance is \$21.738.12. The Children First fiscal year will end August 31, 2019. July income into the **Debt Retirement / Capital Fund** is \$3,663.18 and expenses for July are \$11,268.58 (including heating upgrade insulation removal) leaving a monthly difference of negative \$7,605.40, and year to date balance of \$159,398.74. Mission Giving began July with a balance of \$26,508,48 with revenue of \$3,885.00 and expenses of \$5,387.24 leaving an ending balance of \$25,006.24.
- ✓ <u>CHILDREN FIRST</u>: Children First Board's priority is to raise the wages for all CF staff. There is also a concern about room reimbursement costs and insurance paid out of CF budget. The school year and fiscal year begins September. The budget was approved using prior funds.
- CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILY MINISTRIES
 REPORT: The Committee focused on a wonderful
 Vacation Bible School experience for 3-year-olds through
 5th graders. This year the theme was "To Mars and
 Beyond". VBS ran from 8:30-11:00 AM, August 19th 23rd. Children explored stories from the Bible through
 song, science experiments, games, art, snacks and more.
 CYFM is also in the process of preparing for the upcoming
 school year for Children's Church and Sunday School.
- HEALTH MINISTRIES REPORT: On September 19, there will be a Communion Prayer Station information session from 6:30 PM 7:30 PM in the church parlor. We need more volunteers to help at the monthly communion prayer stations (anoint and or pray). All are welcome. Linda Hoxie and Joann Follette will be presenting. On October 20 from 4:00 5:00 P.M., the Health Forum in the church library, presented by AARP will have the topic, "Prepare to Care." Most everyone has family or friends who are in need of extra help/care. This forum will give us the tools to best help our family and friends. Care giving might be one of our most important roles in life. Mark your calendar to attend! October is Church Safety Month, and the committee is planning to have an AED training session
- ✓ <u>MEMORIALS REPORT</u>: There was one memorial for Marge Balo in the amount of \$270, designated to Children First. A thank you was sent.
- ✓ <u>STAFF/PARISH RELATIONS REPORT</u>: The SPRC met on Tuesday, August 13. Topics that were discussed are as follows: the Elisha Intern update and schedule for the remaining time this summer, the new Children's Ministry Coordinator Katie Clark, interviewing for the Financial Assistant position, the need to find more people

- to staff the Nursery for the fall, as well as reviewing and looking into changes of how we evaluate our staff.
- ✓ **TRUSTEES REPORT:** Trustees did not meet in August, but there were a couple of items worthy of noting. We turned in a claim for hail damage to UMC. There was no severe damage just some cosmetic issues. With our \$5000 deductible we received a check for \$659.27 which Peggy put into roof repair account. Also, we are looking into refurbishing the benches at the east entrance of our church.
- **WORSHIP REPORT:** The committee met on July 25th to begin discussions about a Wednesday evening service. Scott led a discussion of the possibilities for a Wednesday evening dinner/worship time at the church. Models for mid-week dinner/worship times include the following: Our Savior's Lutheran in Spearfish - Meal followed by a 30-minute service and church meetings - Their children's ministry takes place on monthly school "early release" days; Methodist church in Mitchell - feeds 400 every other week at the church - Other churches help out but the Mitchell people do all of the cooking. Community oriented. Includes a food giveaway. One specific person dedicated to making it happen. Other Methodist churches in Rapid City, Lead, Brookings, and other Dakota towns have a variety of dinner/worship time models we can use. Possibilities for our church could include: Children's ministry at 4:30 or so; Dinner from 5:15 - 6:00 - Church and community oriented - BHSU students, etc. - Could involve SOS or other local support group to offer services to those in need; Worship time - at the tables in the fellowship hall - 6:00 for 30 minutes; Choir and meetings follow at 6:45
- ✓ Discussion Items...Kirk asked for clarification of the line item concerning the Northern Hills Sources of Support. Pastor Scott clarified that they were discerning how to best use the funds. Christine Pearson has been hired as the director. She is currently working from her home and car without a formal office and has already made good connections during Clothe A Kid. Brenda shared an update on Vacation Bible School being later in the year. The positive is that 36-37 children have attended thus far. However, youth who normally volunteer have commitments due to school starting along with sports and activities.
- ✓ Pastor Scott and Marty Davis shared that Mary Tracy had been hired as the financial assistant; therefore, Peggy Bosch will return to her position as church treasurer. Pastor Scott shared that the old boiler at Children First had been removed and the floor refinished. It is ready for the new boiler to be installed.
- ✓ *Action Items...*There were no action items.
- ✓ Learning/Planning Exercise...Pastor Scott would like to propose another pillar called Discipleship Pathway. He is currently planning a final project for a class he is taking that will encompass this idea, and he felt it would fit well with many of the church needs that were determined at the retreat. The project itself will start within a month, consisting of taking a small group of people through classes to enable them to become more effective disciples of Jesus Christ. He has studied models at multiple churches. He also shared statistics tracking members, visitors, and finances. While there are close to 700 over the last few years who are affiliated with Spearfish UMC

in some way, not all pledge. However, those who do not pledge have increased giving, and although there are fewer who still pledge, those who do have increased their level of giving. Approximately 500-1000 people visit our church each year, but consistently only 6.9% each year become a part of the congregation on a regular basis. These facts led him to his project to help more people find their niche within the church through understanding the opportunities for service and exploring their interests. Kirk asked that we review the current pillars and bring solid ideas to the next meeting, including where Pastor Scott's idea might best fit. We plan to set 3-5 goals to take back to committees for strategies. Pastor Scott suggested that once these goals solidified he will put them into a GANT chart that he is learning how to use in the class that he is taking.

✓ Next Meeting of the Council...September 18, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

Walk to Emmaus Weekends for 2019

Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual walk with Christ. It is based on Luke 24:13-35. The 72 hours offer a time of inspiration, challenge, and equipping leaders for Christian action in their homes, places of work, and communities. On an Emmaus weekend, you will: sing, reflect, pray, worship, learn, share Holy Communion, and participate in small groups.

From the hymn "Trust and Obey": "When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word, what a glory he sheds on our way! While we do his good will, he abides with us still, and in all who will trust and obey." This may be helpful for people considering Walk to Emmaus as a spiritual walk with the Lord.

Also you will experience God's grace in community and in the world, and find Christian love in action. On the Walk to Emmaus, there is no "physical walking distance," but a "walk with other people in worship, fellowship, learning and fun."

As a member of a local church who is 18 years and older, if you desire to strengthen your spiritual life, this may be for you. If you are seeking answers to faith questions and willing to dedicate your everyday life to God, the Emmaus weekend may be for you.

They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened Scripture to us?" (Luke 24:32)

- Men's Weekend October 3-6, 2019 at Storm Mountain Center
- Women's Weekend October 10- 13, 2019 at Storm Mountain Center

For more information, <u>dakotaswalk.org</u> or <u>emmaus@upperroom.org</u> or contact Mary Ann Sheldon at <u>minotmas@yahoo.com</u> or 605-871-9941 or Pastor Scott at <u>scott.mckirdy@spearfish.org</u> or 605-642-3457.

May God bless and guide you as you prayerfully

consider participating in Walk to Emmaus weekend at the beautiful Storm Mountain Center.

Our Church Family

Condolences to the families of:

- *George Martin*, died July 28, 2019 and a celebration of his life and a reception will be held Friday, August 30 at the Matthews Opera House.
- Lyle Bockwoldt, who died July 30, 2019 and whose memorial service was held August 6 at UMC with Pastor Scott McKirdy officiating.
- *Gloria Boppe*, who died August 1, 2019 and whose funeral service was held August 7 at UMC with Pastor Scott McKirdy officiating.
- Danny Craig, who died August 6, 2019 and whose memorial service was held at Fidler-Isburg Funeral Chapel with Pastor Scott McKirdy officiating.
- Virginia Meisel, who died August 6, 2019 and whose graveside service was held at the Black Hills National Cemetery officiated by Pastor Scott McKirdy. A reception was held at UMC afterwards.

MISSIONS

Children First

Mission of the Month

The mission of the month is Children First. This is the beginning of year 12 for Children First (CF), our preschool and childcare center which is owned and operated by Spearfish UMC. We can help CF with money to support children and staff; assist with classes, read a story, or rock the babies; work on fifth Sunday service day (Sept 28-29); and pray for children, families and staff.

We can help to fund staff training which is required because CF is state licensed or pay for books, supplies for infant care, or snacks. You may wish to donate snacks and also serve them to a class.

One challenge would be to replace the shed used for outdoor toys. Service projects may include playground improvements, and care for the spaces and fence lines.

During Sept 2019, let's support our Children First school as the mission of the month. This money will not go to scholarships, but will be used as the board deems necessary. We are Children First.



September Food Pantry Needs

- Mandarin Oranges
- Boxes of Cereal
- Chunky Peanut Butter
- 2 lb. of Sugar
- Packages of Cookies
- Pancake Syrup

BIRTHDAYS

Gerald Guthmiller	09-01	Kori Meredith	09-17
Gloria Borgman	09-01	Nathan Swanson	09-17
Don Hammerquist	09-01	Marissa Darrow	09-17
Eileen Jones	09-03	Fahbia Ahmed	09-18
Kassidy Durfee	09-03	Grace Ligtenberg	09-18
Sharon Culbertson	09-05	Crystal Theobald	09-19
Tobi Miller-Ayer	09-05	Christian Bradford	09-19
Michelle Triplett	09-05	Owen Haiar	09-19
Clara English	09-05	Haroe Swanson	09-19
Sherry Haiar	09-06	Shirley McGilvrey	09-20
Donna Peters	09-07	Dyan Nagel	09-20
Chad Bussiere	09-07	Erik Foltz	09-21
Kevin Albers	09-08	Ardan Fischer	09-22
Christine Pierson	09-08	Bennett Christensen	09-22
Joseph Dvorak	09-09	James Hesson	09-23
Caleb Stricker	09-09	Kathy Helmer	09-23
Kohlter Goracke	09-09	Eric Davis	09-23
Becca Hayes	09-10	Rilea Moyer	09-24
Colleen McKirdy	09-10	Gabrielle Hansen	09-24
Skye Mitzel	09-10	Jaida Noeller	09-24
Kenni Easton	09-10	Bev Carr	09-25
Parker Louks	09-10	Everett Follette	09-25
Joann Hoffman	09-12	Raeann Mettler	09-25
Ron Borgman	09-13	Chelsea Lueders	09-28
Eric Ligtenberg	09-14	Janna Swanson	09-28
Dylan Bailey	09-14	Zoey Stricker	09-28
Monica Ingalls	09-15	Doris Horner	09-29
Dorothy Horst	09-16	Brenda Hendricks	09-30
Dennis Suiter	09-17	Elainna Brill	09-30

ANNIVERSARIES

Walt & Carolyn Marchant	09/01~51 yrs.
John & Sarah Chamley	09/01~12 yrs.
Cole & Allison Pagnac	09/01~1 yr.
Stan Smith & Laura Lloyd-Smith	09/03~25 yrs.
Terry & Sandy Prante	09/07~51 yrs.
Bill Lundgren & Bev Hill	09/09~20 yrs.
Marland & Seanna Linafelter	09/12~49 yrs.
Clarence & Ida Moshier	09/12~49 yrs.
Ryan & Jessica Jennings	09/12~10 yrs.
Craig & Michelle Triplett	09/12~4 yrs.
Kyle & Marissa Tuttle	09/13~5 yrs.
Everett & Joann Follette	09/15~63 yrs.
Marty & Chris Davis	09/15~40 yrs.

John Sweaney & Pat Conger-Sweaney	09/15~18 yrs.
Nick & Taya Christensen	09/16~8 yrs.
Roman & Jennifer Roberts	09/20~25 yrs.
Bruce & Connie Johnson	09/22~22 yrs.
Jeremy & Allie Johnson	09/22~1 yr.
Jason & Jessica West	09/25~15 yrs.
Luke & Amber Peterson	09/26~11 yrs.
Chris & Angie Brown	09/30~13 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
Мау	34,799.73	30,196.68	4,603.05
June	37,094.03	32,358.53	4,735.50
July	35,064.05		

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
Мау	10,475.87	June	150,009.68
July	3,663.18		

Worship Attendance for August: 874 (Avg/Wk = 218)

Special Gifts for August

UMCOC Heating Upgrade Fund	\$ 50.00
Food Pantry	110.00
Choir Scholarship Fund	25.00
Adult Education Fund Income	15.00
Yoga Charity Fund	242.00
UMCOC Donations	380.00
Children First Scholarships	460.00
Children First Donations	355.00
Jim McGilvrey Memorial	20.00
Marj Balo Memorial	60.00
Gloria Boppe Memorial	520.00
Lyle Bockwoldt Memorial	20.00
Kits – Ingathering	1,028.00
Honduras VIM Fund	50.00
Solar Ovens	100.00
Youth Missions	10.00
Youth Fund	115.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,560.00

Special Funds for August

Benevolence Fund	\$ 230.00)
Pastor's Discretionary	170.00)
TOTAL	\$ 400.00)

THE TRUMPETER

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Return Service Requested

Sunday Worship:

"The Gathering" \sim 8:15 a.m.

"Children's Church" - 8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

"The Sanctuary" $\sim 10:30$ 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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