

# The Trumpeter

**Spearfish United Methodist Church**

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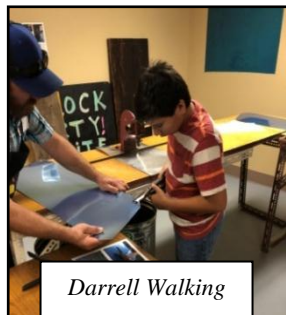
## Pastor's Page

### "So Much Joy!"

After a year and a half of not being able to do live children's ministry, after a year and a half of not being able to offer Confirmation, we are having so much fun here at the church. We are up to our eyeballs in Children's Church and Confirmation again. So much joy!

Children's Church is off to a great start. Every Sunday morning at 9:15 we meet upstairs with our kids. In effect, we have had to completely start over with our children's ministry. We are seeing our families who were here before pandemic now returning. We are seeing brand new families now participating. We are seeing adults who had been involved back in the saddle again and side-by-side with them are brand new teachers and aides. There is just so much joy happening upstairs right now!

In the weeks and months ahead, we are hoping to grow from one class to two classes that serve younger and older kids. We are constantly building our Children's Church staff. If you would like to be part of the joy, we always open a welcome to new help in children's ministry.



*Darrell Walking*

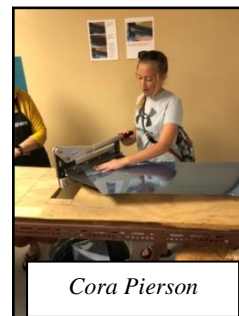
And then there is Confirmation! We meet with this year's class twice a month; we get together every other Sunday around noon, share lunch together, and dive into our lesson. One Sunday we do a classroom lesson, and then the other Sunday we try to make our time together

activity-based. So, on September 26 we all jumped in the church van and drove to Open Heart United Methodist Church in Rapid City. There we as a group participated in the dedication of a brand new Solar Oven Partner workshop. This workshop manufactures the aluminum reflectors for the ovens.

We have three kids in Confirmation this year:

Darrell Walking, Hugh Roles, and Cora Pierson. Take a look at the photos! They jumped right in on the manufacturing line and had their first lesson on reflector manufacture. They each sliced, punched, cut, and folded metal as they learned.

What think you? Any joy in that room? It was so much fun



*Cora Pierson*



*Hugh Roles*

to watch them be completely focused on the task of helping others. So much joy! We are looking forward to asking others in the months ahead to come with us down to the workshop to help with this ongoing mission project.

Where are you seeing joy in this church? As we gain and grow in our energy once again coming out of pandemic mode, I want you to watch for that energy. I want you to watch for the joy! So much joy!

*Pastor Scott*

## Participation Opportunities

### Directory Photos being Taken in October

The time is here to create a new photo directory! This project is going to be led by our summer Elisha Intern Alex Hunnes. If you are interested in helping with this project please contact the church office at (605) 642-3457.

Get your photo taken on Saturday and Sunday



after/between services to allow for as many people to get photos taken as possible. If you have any questions feel free to contact the church office.

## Rummage With Us!

October 9<sup>th</sup> is the Youth Fall Rummage Sale and you can be a part of it! We will take donations the week of October 4-8 during business hours. Almost all clean, useful items are accepted—with the exception of TVs, computer equipment and exercise equipment.

If you need items picked up, just let us know.

Volunteers are welcome to help on Friday, the 8<sup>th</sup> all day and on Saturday following the sale at noon. Let Brenda know if you can help.

If you can't help, that's ok. Just come and shop! There is usually something for everyone!



## Five Pillars

In this month of October, we are rolling out “The Five Pillars”. This is the implementation of our visioning and planning cycle for the next three to five years. There are five general areas that we are focusing on as a congregation. Each of these areas has specific goals. Here are the pillars and some of the goals:



### 1) Outreach Pillar

- a) Become even more of a community gathering place.
- b) Offer death and divorce support.
- c) Provide hands-on missions opportunities within driving distance.

### 2) Lay Leadership

- a) Encourage participation in worship leadership.
- b) Increase Bible study / small group participation.
- c) Teach and utilize prayer techniques.

### 3) Family

- a) Expand our offerings for families.
- b) Build a thriving children's ministry.
- c) Connect more deeply with both Children First and Co-op Preschools.

### 4) Communications

- a) Fully implement our Digital Campus on Facebook.
- b) Constantly improve our online social media /

website presence.

- c) Introduce improvements to current communications.

### 5) Capital

- a) Identify our physical campus long and short term needs.
- b) Create a team that focuses on long-term “Legacy Giving”.
- c) Form funding strategies and communicate our priorities.

## Stewardship Weekend

We are celebrating who we are as a congregation as we prepare for 2022. The weekend of October 30-31 is Stewardship Weekend. Be watching in the mail and in worship for your 2022



pledge / commitment card. Be listening all through this month to the Five Pillars as we share the joy and the challenge of who we are and where we are going as a congregation.



Join us in the Fellowship Hall for Supper and Game Night on October 17 at 5:00 pm!

The main course of a Pork Pasta dish will be provided, but we would love it if you brought an appropriate side or special, non-alcoholic beverage to share! In lieu of food, just bring yourself! We would love to have you! For more information, contact Kevin Nakajima at [kevinmasanaka@gmail.com](mailto:kevinmasanaka@gmail.com).

## What does the Lord require of you?

by Janelle Jones, Five Pillars Team

During the month of October, Spearfish United Methodist Church will be helping others in various ways. Individuals and families are invited to help a neighbor by taking cookies, raking leaves, helping with household tasks, or sending cards.

As part of how we “Know God, Love God, Serve Others,” everyone is encouraged to do random acts of kindness or pay it forward. Ideas include helping with Trunk or Treat at UMC or preparing a shoebox for Christmas to be distributed on the reservations in ND or

SD. Consider the need at Artemis House, the abuse shelter, for cleaning supplies, paper towels, personal products or toilet paper (sometimes 7 families at a time).

From Micah 6:8, we read, "What does the Lord require of you?" We as Christians are the hands and feet of Christ. Now is the time to extend love into this community and the world. You are invited "to act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." As we bring to reality the goals of the Five Pillars, live and serve as Christ's disciple.

## Digital Campus



More of our church being a church is available on Facebook! Check us out at "Spearfish United Methodist Church". To find out even more, explore our closed page at "Spearfish United Methodist Community".

## Communion Stewards for 2022



Would you be interested in helping to prepare and set up communion elements for all 3 services on communion service weekends for next year? This would involve 2 to 3 first weekends of the month. (If we have 6 members, it will be twice. If we have 4 members, it will be three times. If we have 12 members, it will be once.)

Thank you for considering this opportunity to serve others. Please call Marilyn Burgeson (605-641-1013) if you are interested in helping with this element of worship.



Now more than ever, we are learning the importance of offering small group Bible studies to keep people connected and growing. We are offering studies online on Zoom. All you have to do to join is contact the Bible study leader and you will be sent an online invitation. Currently, we are offering:

- Bible Study with Pastor Scott online Tuesday's at 10:30 a.m.
- Tuesday afternoon "Carpenter's Apprentice" men's study with Pastor Scott: Online at 5:00 p.m.

- Sunday School with Everett Follette: Online Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m.

## United Methodist Men (UMM)

The United Methodist Men met September 18<sup>th</sup> for breakfast followed by a short business meeting and a devotional time. There were five men present for the breakfast and meeting.

Following the Treasurer's report, those present approved a donation to Children First for their playground shade fund.

The October breakfast dates will be October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. The breakfast for the October 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting will be coffee, juice, fruit and sweet rolls. At that meeting we will discuss what to serve at future breakfast meetings in order to determine what to prepare and how many men to expect at the breakfast meetings. We hope to see you at there. Thoughts or questions call Terry (308-353- 1721)

*Terry Prante, UMM President*

## United Methodist Women (UMW)



United Methodist Women is a group of women who works to know God through programs that support women, youth and children with creativity that helps experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; it is a supportive fellowship; that through missions locally, nationally, and globally making a difference wherever we are gathered. We educate ourselves by having different programs on as many subjects we come across and by an approved Reading Program. We invite all women of our congregation to come join us in our meetings. We want to get to know you.

On Wed., Oct. 6 will be our Business Meeting from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the library. It is an open meeting so that anyone can come if they wish.

On Wed., Oct. 20 is our regular UMW Meeting – Fellowship time begins at 9:30 a.m. and the meeting begins at 10:00 a.m. till about 11:30a.m. in the library. Our Hostesses this month are Shirley Doten and Doris Parke. The program facilitator and topic will be announced later.

We really would like to hear what programs you would like us to present that address children, youth, and women or something to educate us on new ideas. Just contact Debra at 717-2625. We invite all women in the church and their friends to come, giving us your gift of presence as we learn together and doing missions by our giving.

*Debra Richardson, UMW President*



## Make-Ahead Meal Night!

As a mission-minded organization, the UMW members have been brainstorming ways to support and care for young women of the church.

One such way would be to offer a night of helping families prepare some make-ahead freezer meals.



The idea is to prepare 5 meals together one evening that can be taken home and frozen for future use. UMW members would purchase the ingredients and have it all ready.

The meal menus would be advertised ahead of time and there would be a charge to cover food costs.

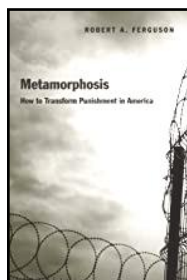
Volunteers could come and help chop and prep and chat! Garden produce could be donated as required for the recipes.

If you'd like to sign up to help or to make & take a meal, just call the church office. Stay tuned for more details!

## UMW Reading Program Book of the Month

Check out the book of the month in the UMW section of the library for this month's book:

**METAMORPHOSIS: HOW TO TRANSFORM PUNISHMENT IN AMERICA** ROBERT A. FERGUSON  
YALE UNIVERSITY PRESS (2018)



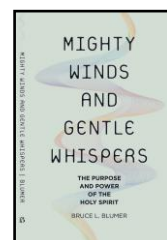
The need for prison reform in America has reached the level of a consensus. We agree that many prison terms are too long, especially for nonviolent drug offenders; that long-term isolation is a bad idea; and that basic psychiatric and medical care in prisons is woefully inadequate. Bolstered by insights from hundreds of letters written by prisoners, scholar Robert A. Ferguson makes the case for an entirely new concept of prisons and their purpose that will provide better education for all involved, more imaginative and careful use of technology, and better accountability

## Dinah's Book Club

Dinah's Book Club is reading *Prayers for Sale* by Sandra Dallas. They will meet at noon on Monday, October 11 in the Parlor. Books are available in the church office. Anyone may join in with the group.

## Support for LaGonave Alive in Haiti

You are invited to purchase a book, *Mighty Winds and Gentle Whispers* by Bruce Blumer, as a way to support a school in Haiti. All profits from this book are donated to LaGonave Alive to support students at Rob Marchand Institute, a school in LaGonave, Haiti. Suggested donation for the book is \$15.



*Mighty Winds and Gentle Whispers: The Purpose and Power of the Holy Spirit* includes inspirational stories, scripture, and discussion questions. For a copy, see Janelle Jones, Pastor Scott, or Orvette in the office. Donations may be sent to LaGonave Alive, 1025 N Spencer Lane, Tea SD 57064. Online, LaGonave Alive.com.

## Taizé Worship

Come enjoy a service of song, silence, scripture and prayer offered in the style of *Taizé* on Thursday, October 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the UMC Sanctuary. Everyone is welcome to come for the quiet time.



## Children First Update

by Janelle Jones, Board Chairperson

Please pray for the mental and physical health of our Children First (CF) staff. They are under stress due to being short of workers. Spearfish UMC owns Children First and employs about 20 when fully staffed. Recent applicants love CF but choose other jobs (\$15/hr business or \$12.50/hr starting wage at another daycare) rather than a starting wage of \$10.50/hr at Children First.

If we raise the starting pay, we raise nearly all other wages to be fair to experienced staff. It is important to pay childcare workers more. The primary income for CF is from tuition which is increased annually. We consider the affordability for families, especially when some have two children enrolled (approximately \$1400/mo). That affects nearly 1/3 of the families.

How can we help? Please consider including a monthly donation to CF as part of your estimate of giving for 2022. Your pledge can help with room reimbursement of about \$30,000/yr, insurance about \$10,000/year, staff development and salaries. Early childhood education is critical to the development of children. Spearfish UMC working with Children First offer a vital service to the community. Let's help out

because we are Children First together.

Thank you for supporting September mission of the



month. This illustrates an example of a shade shelter. If you wish to donate, indicate Children First shade on your donation.

Come help with the family work day at Children First—Saturday, October 9 at 9 am. Potluck for snacks and lunch. This is a fun way for the church to support Children First families.

## Prayer Partners

Praise God,

1. for Autumn's crisp air and fall colors
2. for family time
3. for health and safety
4. for educational and recreational opportunities
5. for ways to follow Christ as we love and serve.



Guide Spearfish UMC as we live into the future of Five Pillars:

- Outreach (9-26-21)
- Lay Leadership (10-3-21)
- Communication (10-10-21)
- Family (10-17-21)
- Capital (10-24-21)



Help us be the hands and feet of Christ moving from dreams and goals to reality. Bless Pastor Scott and Colleen. We ask it all in Christ's name. Amen



- Heads Up! **DakYouth** is just around the corner in November! Save the weekend of November 12-14 to join with youth from around the Dakotas in Aberdeen for a time of fun, faith and friends!
- **Youth Fall Rummage sale** is coming October 9<sup>th</sup>. This is a great fund-raiser for youth camps, missions and retreats!
- **Confirmation retreat** is coming October 22-23 at Storm Mt. Confirmation students from the hills and beyond join together to dig deeper into what

it means to be confirmed and they get to have fun while learning!

## Trunk or Treat

Help us welcome the kids of our community into our church by volunteering with Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 31 from 2-4 pm.

You can help by:

- Decorating your trunk and giving kids candy
- Donating candy for folks to hand out (or money to purchase candy)
- Helping in the kitchen with snacks and drinks
- Helping with the indoor carnival
- Helping set up the carnival
- Decorating the fellowship hall
- Welcoming and greeting those attending
- Helping with tear-down and clean up
- Just come and have a cup of coffee and visit with our guests!

If you're interested in doing a trunk, there are lots of ideas for themes or décor on Pinterest or elsewhere on the internet.

**Challenge:** how about if the church committees worked together to do a trunk? OR get together with some friends and have fun with a theme! The more, the merrier! ☺



If you have questions or wish to help, just give Brenda a call: 641-4864! Thanks!

## Flu Shot Recommended

Flu is a contagious disease that spreads around the United States every year. The most common months are between October and November. IT IS TIME TO GET YOUR FLU SHOT!

Pneumonia, bronchitis, sinus infections and ear infections are examples of flu-related complications. If you have a medical condition, such as heart disease, cancer or diabetes, flu can make it worse.

Thousands of people die from the flu each year and many more are hospitalized. The flu vaccine prevents millions of illnesses and flu-related visits to the doctor each year.

The flu vaccine is especially important this year due to the upsurge in COVID-19. Hospitals are stressed now with the high numbers of COVID patients. More people getting the flu shot means fewer people who need to be hospitalized for the flu.

If you are 65 years and older ask your Health Care Provider about the High Dose flu vaccine. These provide

higher degrees of protection over the standard dose.

The Communicable Disease Center (CDC) recommends everyone 6 months of age and older to get vaccinated every flu season. Children 6 months through 8 years of age may need 2 doses during a single flu season. EVERYONE else needs only 1 dose each flu season. The flu shot is also recommended for pregnant women.

It takes about 2 weeks for protection to develop after vaccination.

Protect yourself, your family, friends, neighbors, community and the health care system by getting a flu shot this year!

Direct any questions you have about receiving the flu vaccine to your Health Care Provider.

The Health Ministry Committee encourages you to get your flu vaccine now if you have not already received it. It is time!

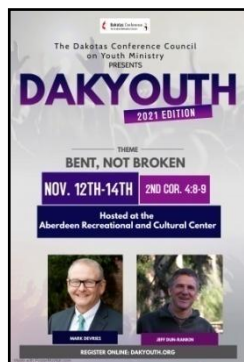
## DakYouth is Back!

All youth in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades will not want to miss this year's DakYouth in Aberdeen the weekend of November 12-14!

After a year off the line-up is better than ever! Speakers Mark Devries and Jeff Dun-Rankin will present the "Bent, Not Broken" theme. VOTA will gift us with their music and The Skit Guys will keep us laughing!

Jump on the bus with us and bring your friends! The cost is \$65 (before October 22<sup>nd</sup>) and that includes a free t-shirt! (Later registrations are \$75 with no t-shirt.)

To register, just let Brenda know and you will be included in the group registration!



# MISSIONS

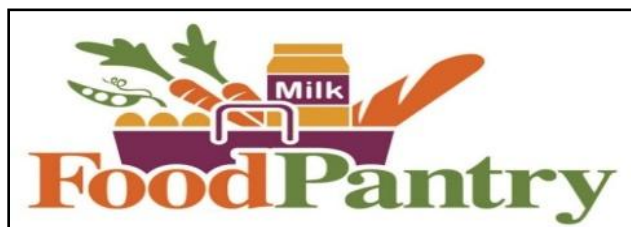
## Mission of the Month Cornerstone Rescue Mission

The Cornerstone Rescue Mission serves the physical and spiritual needs of more than 500 people every day, impacting the lives of thousands over the years. Many have gone on to lead fulfilling, independent lives and contribute to the community. It's ministries include: Men's Ministry, Veteran's Ministry, Women & Children's Home, Cornerstone Apartments, Thrift Store,

and a kitchen that serves three meals a day.

In October, we will be collecting the following items:

- Large backpacks
- Men's sweatshirts – larger sizes
- Men's jackets/coats – larger sizes
- Men's thermal underwear – larger sizes
- Antiperspirant
- Laundry detergent
- Dryer sheets
- Baby wipes/baby lotion/baby wash
- Twin-size fitted sheets



Donations are needed of the following items:

- Cheerios
- Ramen Noodles
- Hamburger Helper
- Chicken Helper
- Canned Chili
- Peanut Butter
- Chunky Soups
- Tuna Helper

# BIRTHDAYS

Joshua Ross	10-01	Steward Stracco	10-15
Claire Jennings	10-01	Martha Stinson	10-17
Janelle Jones	10-03	Les Pribble	10-18
Rod Gist	10-04	Sidney Foltz	10-19
Suzanne Phillips	10-04	Lola Pascoe	10-19
Jayne Brenneisen	10-04	Susan Bauer	10-20
Sara Ross	10-04	Danielle Beasley	10-21
Allie Johnson	10-04	Marilyn Burgeson	10-22
Dalton Ferrell	10-04	Dnyee Swisher	10-22
Donna Patterson	10-05	Dianne Darling	10-22
Mike Clark	10-05	Joel Johannesen	10-24
Ken "KC" Phillips	10-08	Betsy Williams	10-27
Seth Donald	10-08	Alex Hendricks	10-27
Micah Peters	10-09	Ed Sewell	10-28
Barbara Chrisman	10-10	Ryan Niesent	10-28
Eden Shank	10-10	Tristany Swanson	10-28
Edie Hooper	10-11	Shannara McLaren	10-28
Avalon Vaughn	10-12	Kenneth Pascoe	10-29
Harper Wilkinson	10-12	Morgan Roberts	10-29
Leslie Sewell	10-13	Tristin Hendricks	10-29
Lydia Darling	10-13	Ernie Trudo	10-31
Carolyn Marchant	10-15		



# ANNIVERSARIES

Chad & Katie Bussiere  
Tad & Heather Brewer  
Harlan & Dorothy Horst  
Jay & Christi Swaby  
Paul & Christine Pierson  
Kent & Mary Kennon  
Sam & Kelsey Meehan  
Brent & Teri Morford

10/01~5 yrs.  
10/02~22 yrs.  
10/06~37 yrs.  
10/07~15 yrs.  
10/08~17 yrs.  
10/19~42 yrs.  
10/25~7 yrs.  
10/27~9 yrs.

# FINANCES

You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.

--2 Corinthians 9:11

## New Vanco Mobile App

The new app is Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement. You can download the app from the App Store or Google Play. After downloading follow these steps:

1. Under Search organization type in Spearfish United Methodist Church
2. Set up an account
3. Select your fund and Amount
4. Enter the Payment Method
5. You can choose to cover processing fees
6. Complete your Donation



If you already have a recurring donation on Vanco you do not need to do anything at this time. If you have any questions please call Mary Tracy at 605-642-3457.

## 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 2021			
	Income	Expense	Budget
1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter	92,825.96	103,730.44	102,704
2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter	101,257.09	102,078.28	102,705
July	25,935.01	37,514.80	34,235
August	34,284.40	40,215.81	34,235
YTD	254,302.46	283,539.33	239,644
YTD Income Less YTD Expense		-\$29,236.87	

DEBT RETIREMENT/CAPITAL FUND 2021			
Month	Actual Income	Month	Actual Income
Jan.	53,894.34	Feb.	2,370.00

Mar.	4,305.75	Apr.	3,116.00
May	2,892.00	Jun.	3,050.00
Jul.	2,766.00	Aug.	3,198.75

CHILDREN FIRST FUND 2021			
Month	Actual Income	Month	Actual Income
Jan.	1,152.87	Feb.	1,114.00
Mar.	4,123.50	Apr.	3,026.00
May	1,485.00	Jun.	3,506.00
Jul.	3,031.00	Aug.	38,243.00

UMCOC 2021			
Month	Actual Income	Actual Expenses	Difference
Jan	4,695.00	7,928.72	-3,233.72
Feb.	4,613.62	2,275.02	2,338.60
Mar.	5,844.27	3,642.48	2,201.79
Apr.	5,610.65	5,322.39	288.26
May	4,380.00	2,379.46	2,000.54
Jun.	3,940.00	3,745.89	194.11
Jul.	4,335.00	3,379.68	955.32
Aug.	4,345.00	6,286.56	-1,941.56

## Special Gifts for September 2021

Digital Campus Income	\$ 1,500.00
Grief Share Fund	186.00
NH Sources of Support (NHSOS)	100.00
Adult Education Fund	60.00
Yoga Charity Fund	136.00
UMCOC Donations	380.00
Fay Shields Memorial	35.00
Clothe-A-Kid	200.00
Solar Ovens	385.00
Cornerstone Mission	500.00
UMCOR	100.00
Youth Fund	6.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,588.00</b>

## Special Funds for September 2021

Benevolence Fund	\$ 75.00
Pastor's Discretionary	328.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 403.00</b>

Worship for September: 584 (Avg./Wk = 146)

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Thanks to Connie Clarkson (See Exodus 7-12)

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I'VE GOT YOU DOWN FOR BLOOD, FROGS, LICE, LOCUSTS AND HAIL ... WOULD YOU LIKE ANY FLIES WITH THAT?

## THE TRUMPETER



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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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