

The Trumpeter

Spearfish United Methodist Church

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Pastor's Page

"Time to Celebrate!"

In the last nine years Spearfish United Methodist has hosted seven interns. Six of them were Dakotas Conference Elisha

Interns and one was a seminary intern. An Elisha Intern is a college student who is exploring a call to ministry and needs to see what it means to serve in a real, live, local church over the space of ten weeks (three months) during the summer. A seminary intern is a student earning a master of divinity degree who needs practical application of their skills in preparation for the next steps toward ministry over the space of a nine month school year. We have been an intern-home for Emma, Cody, Sasha, Emily, Davis, Alex, and Hannah.



SUMC has also had a wonderful hand in raising its own members into forms of ministry. We are the church-home for Carrie who served as an Elisha Intern in another congregation and now actively works with our nursery. We are the

church-home for Jordan who is now serving as a United Methodist pastor in Sioux Falls.

The commonality every single one of them holds is that they are taking their next steps toward the ministries that God is calling them to, be it inside a United Methodist Church or outside the church in the communities in which they live. And this church has had a loving hand in these lives.

And now it is time to celebrate!

What happens after an internship exploring ministry? If you wish to take the next step toward being ordained, this means going to seminary. This fall THREE of our interns will go to seminary! Hannah Andres will return online for her fourth and final year through Claremont School of Theology. The school is in

California, but she will be finishing her degree work here in Spearfish. Both Davis Anderson and Alex Hunnes will be starting their first year in seminary at Perkins School of Theology in Dallas, Texas. It is a long, hard, and joyful journey that they begin.

What happens after you finish seminary? You enter into local church ministry and begin the process of ordination. On Friday, June 11, Jordan Louks will be ordained into the Dakotas Annual Conference being held up in Bismarck. He is currently serving at First UMC in Sioux Falls. The next week Emily Rettinghouse will be ordained into the Mountain Sky Conference (Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Utah). She is currently serving at Cody UMC in Cody, WY.

It's time to celebrate! THREE in seminary, and TWO in ordination! We will be setting out cards for you to sign for all of them. We will be sharing the online links to watch both of the ordination services. Dear SUMC, it is time to celebrate!

Changing Times in the UMC

From Pastor Scott: We are now beginning to share more details about the future of our United Methodist Church as a denomination. For years there has been tension building inside our global church over stands on sexuality. This has finally created a moment in time when our larger denomination is breaking into different groups. On the conservative side, the Global United Church (GMC) has now been formed as a break-away denomination. On May 1, the GMC launched the new denomination. On the liberal side, a smaller denomination formed just over a year ago to form the Liberation Methodist Movement (LMM).



Here are some of the things that we know and can share:

- 1) The United Methodist Church will definitely face a splitting.
- 2) The divide originates around LGBTQ issues, but moves to other pragmatic and theological issues

as well. (The election and functioning of bishops, for instance.)

- 3) Processes are in progress to enable an orderly and amicable plan to enable this divide.
- 4) This does affect churches around the world, since the United Methodist Church is a global denomination.
- 5) We do have a process currently for churches to disaffiliate from the greater UMC as a denomination but it can quickly become difficult and expensive for local congregations.
- 6) The next scheduled General Conference will be in 2024. At this global meeting, deeper details will be worked out. This conference was originally scheduled to be held in 2020, but the pandemic forced its postponement not once but twice. The issue of postponement deals with the reality that COVID moves at different speeds in different parts of the world AND that obtaining passports and visas is a slow and difficult process for this meeting.
- 7) At our 2024 General Conference, one of the framework documents that will be proposed is a plan known as the "Protocol of Reconciliation and Grace through Separation". (You can actually Google this.)
- 8) The GMC leadership decided that they would prefer not to wait another two years, so initiated the new launch this year.
- 9) Only churches that specifically decide and vote to become GMC (or LMM) will leave the greater denomination.
- 10) In a very recent legal ruling, it was announced that annual conferences as a whole may not disaffiliate from the denomination. The congregations that leave will need to form their own new conferences.

There will be more information coming in the months and years ahead. For right now, Spearfish UMC simply continues life as we always have, focusing on the needs of our local communities and making the grace of Jesus Christ a reality in our church. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to get hold of me!

Pastor Scott

Participation Opportunities

Taizé Worship

A Taizé worship service will be held June 16 at 7 PM in the Sanctuary. This is a prayer service



in the style of Taizé. Enter into a time of prayer, quiet reflection and meditative singing. Center your spirit, heart and mind. Enjoy the quiet. Refresh your soul.

Join us to say
"Farewell"
to
Pastor Scott & Colleen

When:
Sunday, June 26
12:00-2:00 PM

Where:
UMC Fellowship Hall

What:
Potluck w/ dessert provided

Let's celebrate Pastor Scott's time with us! He has touched our lives in so many ways. Please plan on joining us as we pay tribute to Pastor Scott and Colleen.

How lucky we are to have been blessed with someone who has made such an impact in our lives that it makes saying good-bye so difficult.

As part of our "Farewell" to Pastor Scott and Colleen, we would like to invite you to write a personal note, a funny event or tell a story about the impact they have made in your life.

We will have 4x6 notecards available on the back table in the fellowship hall or you may use one of your own. The notecard **MUST** be **4x6**. We also encourage you to include a photo of yourself and or your family. It too, **MUST** be a **4x6** photo.

Please bring the completed card and / or photo to Orvette in the church office by June 21.

We will put all notecards and pictures in a memory book for Scott & Colleen.

Thank you for helping us show our appreciation to Scott and Colleen for everything they have done for our church and the Spearfish community.

Children First

May is always a very busy month at Children First, with our school year drawing to a close. The month has been filled with field trips, outside time when the weather

cooperates, practicing for the end of the year program and finishing off the planned academics for the year. The last day of our 2021/2022 school year was May 26th, with a graduation ceremony and end of year celebration at the City Park Band Shell.



The first day of our summer program is June 1st and will run through August 26th. Our enrollment for summer and fall is full except for a couple of very part time afternoon openings. We have enough employees to make it through the summer, but will be looking for more employees for the school year in the fall.

CYFM Update

Here in the Children, Youth & Family Ministry (CYFM) Committee, we are pleased to say that our recent event of our Family Spring Block Party in April was a wonderful success, and we would like to warmly thank everyone who volunteered & visited our event!

Our Spring Family Block Party was full of happy connectedness and fun as families participated in: making slime worms and flower baskets, decorating cookies, eating hot dogs and chips, participating in bean bag games, raffle events & scavenger hunts, enjoying balloon animals and face-painting, and bouncing in our bouncy castle. It may have been cold & raining outside, but we radiated sunshine and warmth inside the church Friday evening thanks to everyone who joined us!

With spring on its way to turning into summer, we are now turning our attention to wrapping up Children's Church on Sundays from 9:15 AM to 10:15 AM, as our last day is **May 29th**. We are pleased to announce though that during the summer months, we will have in-person **Children's Church from 9:15 AM-10:15 AM on June 12th, July 10th, and August 14th!**



More events during the summer are being planned as well, including a Family Summer Block Party and Vacation Bible School! Our **Family Summer Block Party** will take place on **Sunday, July 17th from 5 PM-7 PM**, and will be an extension of our church's **Game Night!** Anyone and everyone of all ages inside and outside of our church community are welcome to join us inside for a meal and ice cream social, board games and card games for all ages, as well as outside for lots of fun water play and outdoor activities!

As for this year's Vacation Bible School, we are excited to say our **VBS will take place on August 1-5, from 9 AM-11 AM** at the church! We invite children from the age of three up to 5th grade to join us on an

island adventure – the Quest for God's Great Light at **Discovery on Adventure Island Vacation Bible School!**



This adventure includes: exciting new music, amazing science, creative crafts, fun recreation, and memorable Bible stories that will help children know and share the light of God shining in the world. Those wishing to participate can pick up the **VBS registration** form at

the church office, or sign up at the door VBS week. A Facebook post will soon be announced with a link to the registration form as well that may be printed and sent to office@spearfishumc.org or brought into the church office as well. Please also keep a lookout for our **VBS Volunteer Sheet** as well during church services, as **we are looking for help with** decorating, snack preparation, station leaders and group leaders!

For more information call Katelyn Smith at 419-296-5723, or email Katelyn Smith at smika12@gmail.com.

United Women in Faith (UWF)

United Women in Faith has ended its business and regular meeting until September. But we plan to meet Wed., June 15 for a get together at 11 a.m. for a Sack Lunch. (location TBA)



United
Women
in Faith

We have at least 3 that are planning to attend Mission u Thur., July 15 – 17. We would love if we could get more women and men to attend if possible. People can contact Emma McKirdy-Wilsey for a brochure with more information and registration that has to be sent in before July 1. There is an option to attend virtually also.

We also have planned our local annual Retreat for Sat., July 23 – from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. at Mary Hayenga's. Women can contact me (Debra Richardson) for signing up.

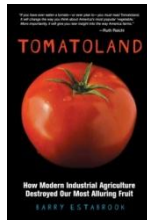
Debra Richardson, President of UWF

Dinah's Book Club

Dinah's Book Club is reading Alice I Have Been by Melanie Benjamin. They will meet Monday, June 13 in the parlor at noon. Books are available in the church office. You are welcome to join them.

UMW Reading Program Book of the Month

Check out the book of the month in the UMW section of the church library for this month's book: *Tomatoland: How Modern Industrial Agriculture Destroyed Our Most Alluring Fruit* by Barry Estabrook (Author)



Based on a James Beard award-winning article from a leading voice on the politics of agribusiness, *Tomatoland* combines history, legend, passion for taste, and investigative reporting on modern agribusiness and environmental issues into a revealing, controversial look at the tomato, the fruit we love so much that we eat \$4 billion-worth annually.

Technology Help

Our Tech Team is always in need of more people to help. Areas where you could help are:

- Running the sound board during worship
- Running the computer in worship
- Pre recording worship
- Recording live worship

We will train you in any area you would like to help out. There is room on the team at any of the worship services, but 8:15 is where we currently have the smallest team. We will train you in any area you would like to help out. Contact Kevin Nakajima for more information at kevinmasanaka@gmail.com.

United Methodist Men (UMM)

The Spearfish UMM will meet on Saturdays June 4 & 18 at 8 AM in the fellowship Hall. Bill Lundgren will give the devotions on June 4 and Sam Perry on June 18.

The Men will not meet in July and August this year. If any important business comes up during that time we will schedule a Brown Bag Noon Lunch in the Church Library.

The men voted to donate \$200 to the Society of St. Andrew for their food distribution cause. Everett Follette and Sam Perry won the Bible trivia question during the last meeting. The Spearfish UM men wish Rev. Scott the best for his new assignment and thank him for his dedication and service the past 11 years in Spearfish. He will be greatly missed! Have a blessed June.

Perry L. Hansen, President UMM



Game Night



Join us in the Fellowship Hall for Supper and Game Night on June 19 at 5:00 PM! A summery entree will be provided, but we would love it if you brought an appropriate side or special beverage to share! In lieu of food, just bring yourself! We would love to have you! For more information, contact Kevin Nakajima at (605) 210-3984 or kevinmasanaka@gmail.com.

Support Group for Losses and Grief



Roberta Hilliger, RN will be leading this Loss and Grief Support Group every Thursday at 1:00 p.m. in the UMC Parlor beginning Jan. 6. This is a free program. Roberta is an RN with 45 years specialty in Psychiatry in adult care, adolescent care, hospice care and ministry, chemical dependency, and end of life care. Roberta is part of the Congregational Care Ministry of this church.

For deaths, drugs, hospice care, caretakers, depression, any loss you want to talk about. Feel free to drop in on a weekly basis. It is led by your questions and listening to other group members. We are here for you and hold you in prayer each week. For more information contact Roberta at uk.soon@yahoo.com.



- **Camp registration is still open!** Remember the church pays half of the Early Bird camp fee! There are camps for every age! Call Brenda for the church code!
- Summer activities for youth begin June 1st with mini golf at Pirate's Cove in Rapid City. Check the youth calendar for more summer fun!
- Incoming 6th graders through seniors are invited to all summer activities!

Prayer Partners



Gracious God,

Thank you for this season of transitions. We move into summer and vacations and church camp experiences. Go with us.

Bless pastors and their families

who are saying good-bye as they move to new locations and different ministries. Go with Pastor Scott.

Be with all UMC bishops, especially Bishop Laurie Haller for this time of healing, Bishop Deborah Kiesey as interim bishop for Iowa and Dakotas and Bishop Bruce Ough who will assist at the Dakotas Annual Conference in Bismarck, ND.

Thank you, O God, for the blessings you grant to us each day. Amen.



Council Highlights

May 18, 2022

Pastor's Report (Pastor Scott)

- Our new pastor is Rev. John Madvig, who has now been introduced to our Staff-Parish Relations Committee.
- The annual conference is coming up in June.

Treasurer Report– April 2022(Peggy Bosch)

- **Balance Sheet** – The current loan balance is \$124,439.62. A payment was made April 5th to our lender.
- **General Fund** – For the month of April income for the General Fund is \$34,639.13 and expenses are \$34,726.69. The ending balance for the month of April is \$87.56 in the red with apportionments paid. The year-to-date balance is \$19,096.31.
- **UMCOC Fund** – For April, the income for UMCOC is \$4,335.00 and expenses are \$2,922.02. The ending

balance for the month of April is \$1,412.98 in the black. The year-to-date balance is \$3,719.21. Two of three previously empty rooms are now rented.

- **Children First** – Income for April for Children First is \$50,934.38 including grant money to help with salaries and grant money to offset the tuition break for parents, and expenses are \$44,813.03 leaving the CF Fund in the black \$6,121.35 for the eighth month of their fiscal year. The year-to-date balance is \$24,685.91.
- **Debt Retirement/Capital Fund** – The Debt Retirement/Capital Fund income for April is \$2,806.66 and expenses are \$7,000.00. Balance at the end of April is \$60,874.51.

Stewardship & Finance Report - May 1, 2022 (Peggy Bosch)

- Trustees reported that the following projects need to be done sometime:
 1. The ramp on the west side of the church needs to be replaced with a cement ramp.
 2. Some cement work also needs to be done on the east side of the church.
 3. The sanctuary needs to be painted.
 4. The parking lot needs resurfacing.

Worship & Music (Kevin Nakajima)

- We touched on every week up to and through Scott's impending departure and John's arrival.

Children, Youth and Family Ministries Report(Brenda Swanson)

- Children's Church will continue to meet through the month of May and then once a month in June and July.
 - Children's Church will also meet the 2nd Sunday of each month during the summer.
 - Videos will also be e-mailed out to our church families with young children.
- VBS will be August 1-5.
- Youth group will have their year-end picnic May 18 and will resume again in June with summer activities.

Staff Parish Report (Paul Pierson)

- Staff Parish members had a meeting with Bob Ruedebusch, our district superintendent to help us understand the process involved in getting a new pastor.
- Staff Parish had the opportunity to meet the new pastor, John Madvig on Monday evening. It was a great evening of fellowship for everyone. John and his wife will be a great addition to our church family.

Children First(Janelle Jones)

- Children First is finishing the school year.
- They will celebrate with "graduation" for those entering kindergarten at the city park bandshell.

Health Ministry (Linda Hoxie)

- There will be an AED (automated External Defibrillator) update this month in the church fellowship hall. The Spearfish Ambulance service will be conducting the update. All our welcome to participate. The dates and times are:
 - Friday, May 27: 4:00-4:45
 - Saturday, May 28: 10:00-10:45

Technology Report (Kevin Nakajima)

- The TECH team could always use more help.

United Methodist Men (Perry Hansen)

- The men voted to suspend meetings for July and August for summer break.

- Thanks to all the men for participating in our fellowship and community service.
- We invite all men to join us for our breakfast fellowship meetings.

United Women in Faith (Debra Richardson)

- We plan to meet Wednesday, June 15 for a get together at 11:00 am for a sack lunch. (location TBA)
- We have at least 3 members that are planning to attend Mission U July 15-17.
- We would love to get more women and men to attend if possible. People can contact Emma McKirdy-Wilsey for more information. There is also an option to attend virtually.
- We have planned our local annual retreat for Saturday, July 23 from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm at Mary Hayenga's home. Women can contact me (Debra Richardson) to sign up.
- UMW will retain its legal name, United Methodist Women but will be called, United Women in Faith from now on.

Trustees (John Swanson)

- The roof is still not totally done and there is not a date for completion at this time.
- Shirley is putting together a group from Trustees to see what needs to be done in the parsonage before the new pastor arrives.

Our Church Family

Blessings upon:

- Blessings on *Lainey James Burtzlaff*, daughter of Blake and Lexi Burtzlaff, who was baptized Sunday, May 15, 2022 at Spearfish UMC with Pastor Scott McKirdy officiating.

Congratulations to:

- **Confirmation and Graduate Students** – May 14 & 15 – Confirmation students are: *Cora Pierson, Hugh Roles and Darrell Walking*. High School Graduates are: *Tristin Hendricks, Kaylee Johannesen, Kaylynn Laub and Silvee McCoy*.

A Note from Jennifer & John Seder

John and I would like to thank our Spearfish UMC church family for your gracious hospitality extended to us over the years we visited and then moved to the beautiful Black Hills. We have felt blessed worshipping and sharing in the ministries of the life of the church. As we move to Illinois to be close to family we take precious memories of time spent in ministry together. You will always hold a place in our hearts. Our new address beginning June 1, 2022 is: Jennifer & John Seder, 1747 Taurus Loop #55A, Charleston, IL 61920.

Blessings, Pastor Jen and John

MISSIONS

Time to Sink the Canoe Another Time

The Spearfish Food Pantry provides amazing support for those in need.

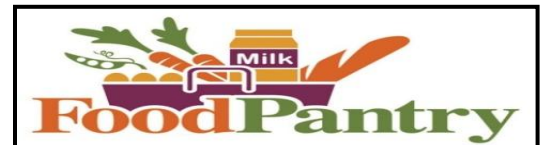


Typical items that they are short on include Grape Jelly, Ramen Noodles, Canned Peaches, Progresso Soups, Strawberry Jelly, all kinds of Pasta, Chunky Soups and Canned Chicken. Start shopping for sales immediately.

Maybe even more important are cash donations. George Vansco, president of the Spearfish Food Pantry, says that the best donations citizens can make are cash donations. He says this way he can purchase food from Feeding South Dakota along with support from local grocery stores. This gives him the flexibility to fill in where donated items fall short.

Finally, sign-up sheets will be in the fellowship hall during the month of July for volunteers to sign up for our first two weeks of pantry duty in August. The Spearfish Food Pantry is now experiencing a shortage of volunteers mainly caused by Covid-19 worries. Hopefully this won't be the case during our two weeks.

Start filling the Canoe in June and I hope to see you at the Food Pantry in August.



Donations are needed of the following items:

- Saltine Crackers
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Canned Peaches
- Canned Pineapple
- Beef Stew
- Chunky or Progresso Soups
- Ramen Noodles
- Hamburger Helper
- Chicken Helper
- Tuna Helper
- Chili

BIRTHDAYS

Alyssa English	06-02	Micah Pennel	06-15
Bob Brady	06-04	Lainey Burtzlaff	06-15
Seanna Linafelter	06-07	Emily Rettinghouse	06-17
Jessica Bradford	06-07	Jackson Roberts	06-17
Lyle McGarvin	06-08	Cora Tobin	06-18
Cora Pierson	06-08	Jasmine Henwood	06-18
Rod Eisma	06-09	Katie Bussiere	06-20

Sam Perry	06-11	Peony Hammerquist	06-21
Marsha Dangel	06-11	Stratton Krogman	06-23
Shea Jones	06-11	Kris Bradford	06-24
Morie Carnahan	06-12	Anna Tegtmeyer	06-24
Kathy Lower	06-12	Tyler Johannesen	06-24
Jacob Sandgren	06-12	Braylon Brekke	06-24
Jacob Brewer	06-13	Richard Hunt	06/25
Logan Brewer	06-13	Logan Ammerman	06/25
Bill Lundgren	06-14	Marlene Johnson	06/26
Larry Miller	06-14	Aloysius Dangel	06/26
Sheila Ahmed	06-14	Carolyn Baker	06/27
Karson Shaffer	06-14	Yvonne Adrion	06/27
Eric Vaughn	06-14	Alietha Baló	06/27
Carol Sander	06-15	Sheila Powell	06/29
Marilyn Halse	06-15	Chris Brown	06/30
Nick Christensen	06-15		

ANNIVERSARIES

Anthony & Tristany Swanson	06/02~4 yrs.
Barry & Tammy Wood	06/04~28 yrs.
Ken & Lola Pascoe	06/05~73 yrs.
Daryl & Becca Hayes	06/05~40 yrs.
Blake & Lexi Burtzloff	06/06~2 yrs.
Wayne & Linda Lueders	06/08~48 yrs.
Dana & Emily Hovaldt	06/14~13 yrs.
Brent & Taylor Fox	06/14~8 yrs.
Warren & Dorothy Johnson	06/16~66 yrs.
Jim & Margie Hesson	06/16~48 yrs.
Milton & Vicky Bragg	06/18~61 yrs.
John & Cheryl Kissack	06/21~48 yrs.
Steve & Annette Bailey	06/21~31 yrs.
Jackson & Teri Roberts	06/22~4 yrs.
Ryan & Kori Meredith	06/23~21 yrs.
Matthew & Lisa Kostelecky	06/23~10 yrs.
Alex & Emily Rettinghouse	06/24~5 yrs.
David Ayer & Tobi Miller-Ayer	06/26~18 yrs.
Ben & Emma McKirdy-Wilsey	06/26~7 yrs.
Marsha & Aloysius Dangel	06/27~47 yrs.
Dustin & Breanna Hawkins	06/28~8 yrs.
Vic & Donna Fondy	06/30~32 yrs.

STONE SOUP



FINANCES

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

--2 Corinthians 9:11

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 2022			
	Income	Expense	Budget
YTD	168,369.25	149,272.94	145,940.00
YTD Income Less YTD Expense		19,096.31	

DEBT RETIREMENT/CAPITAL FUND 2022			
Month	Actual Income	Month	Actual Income
Jan.	3,728.28	Feb.	5,383.32
Mar.	2,869.13	Apr.	2,806.66

CHILDREN FIRST FUND 2022			
Month	Actual Income	Month	Actual Income
Jan.	44,973.53	Feb.	41,997.79
Mar.	44,268.53	Apr.	50,934.38

UMCOC 2022			
Month	Actual Income	Actual Expenses	Difference
Jan	6,100.00	3,342.90	2,757.10
Feb.	3,940.00	5,490.45	-1,550.45
Mar.	4,340.00	3,541.84	798.16
Apr.	4,335.00	2,922.02	1,412.98

Special Gifts for May 2022

Camp Scholarships	\$ 415.00
GriefShare Income	30.00
Children First Fundraiser	420.00
Sprinkler System	300.00
Yoga Charity Fund	726.00
Children First Grant Income	1,008.50
UMCOC Donations	380.00
Tree of Life	1,436.00
Solar Ovens	100.00
UMCOR Ukraine Mission	1,385.00
Youth Fund	6.00
*TOTAL	\$ 6,206.50

*As of May 27

Special Funds for May 2022

Benevolence Fund	\$ 100.00
Pastor's Discretionary	625.00
*TOTAL	\$ 725.00

*Worship Attendance for May: 815 (Avg./Wk = 204)

*On-Line Worship Attendance: 305 (Avg./Wk = 102)

*As of May 27

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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.

E-mail Addresses:



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Call the church office for more information at 642-3457.



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