

The Trumpeter

Spearfish United Methodist Church

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Pastor's Page

“Ashes?”

Lent began in a cold and lonesome way this year, cancelling our Ash Wednesday service due to the temperature, wind, and snow.

Evie asked me if we were going to do something online, and I told her

that no, the tactile action of imposing ashes—the reality of a finger creating a cross of ashes on our foreheads—would be impossible to reproduce in an online service. She respectfully disagreed, which was fine. One pastor who was going to have an online service suggested that she would recommend that her remotely viewing congregants use water rather than ashes, as this would be more readily available for making the sign of the cross. Another micro-cringe for me as, in the Christian faith, water symbolizes the new life of baptism while ashes symbolize our human mortality (although the Apostle Paul does speak in Romans 6 of baptism incorporating both our dying and rising in Christ). I get it – let's try to do something, but in spite of these alternatives, I felt that nothing was better than something. So, since ASH is more important (to me) than WEDNESDAY, we will incorporate the imposition of ashes into our worship services for the first week of Lent.



That said, Lent has been an important season in the history of the Church. It is a journey that begins in Ashes and ends in Easter. It is a reminder that our earthly lives are brief, and God's promise of resurrection is our hope. It is often characterized by repentance and fasting. I find the latter to be particularly difficult, as I can easily become judgmental of others when I fast. “Look at them,” I think to myself, “I’m giving this up, and they’re not.” I guess that’s God’s way of using fasting to lead to my repentance from judgmentalism!

We are joining in worship with the congregation of the United Church of Christ this month! I am excited to

be with them as they offer hospitality to us while our sanctuary is painted. We begin our first week together with communion! Elsewhere in this newsletter, you’ll find some information about our trip across Main Street. One thing I want to highlight: loose offerings (i.e. cash) will all go to the UCC Church during our visit. The reason I bring this up is because we will want to be generous in our giving, even as they are being generous with the space. So even if you write a check or donate online to tithe and support Spearfish UMC, please consider adding something to the offering plate.

Our Lenten worship, while not intentionally following the Lenten Study book (*Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws*), will augment the study by presenting additional snapshots of Jesus’ interactions with those on the margins. Several study options are being offered and are also mentioned in this newsletter.

God’s peace be with you!

Pastor John Madvig



What to Expect for Worship at United Church of Christ (UCC)

For worship we will still have 3 worship services:

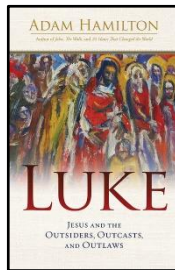
- Saturday “Blue Jeans” worship at **5:30 PM**.
- Sunday “Gathering” Worship at **9:00 AM** (no fellowship time).
- Sunday “Sanctuary” along with UCC at **10:15 AM** (fellowship time afterwards). Note the time.
- An attendance sheet will be provided to sign in when you arrive.



- Checks in the offering plates will be separated for each church. All loose cash in the offering plates will go to UCC for the use of their church.
- UMC Offering envelopes will be available for those that need one when you sign the attendance sheets.
- Each church will put out their own bulletins each week.

Lenten Study of **“Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws”**

For this year’s Lenten study of *Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws* by Adam Hamilton explores the life of Jesus as told in the Gospel of Luke. Through Luke’s stories we find Jesus’s care and compassion for all as he welcomes sinners and outcasts. As we study Luke and see Jesus’s concern for those who were considered unimportant, we hear a hopeful and inspiring word for our lives today.



The following studies are open to anyone:

- **Sundays – 9:15 AM** – UCC Fireside Room led by Mary Hayenga and Monica Ingalls
- **Tuesdays – 10:30 AM** – on Zoom led by Rod Garnett (ask him for the Zoom connection)
- **Tuesdays – 1:30 PM** – 835 W. Hill St. #205 led by Janelle Jones (722-5911)
- **Fridays – 1:30 PM** – 574 Flat Top Circle led by Mary Hayenga (642-2249)
- **Saturdays – 4:00 PM** – UCC Fireside Room led by Mary Hayenga

Books are available in the Spearfish UMC office for \$12.

Lenten Lunches

United Church of Christ located at 920 N. Main St. will host the Lenten Lunches this year from 12-1:00 PM. The lunches will be on Wednesdays, March 8, 15, 22 & 29. Our church will provide the lunch on March 22. A sign-up sheet is available in the church office for those wishing to help.



The lunches will be provided by the United Church of Christ, Our Savior’s Lutheran Church, All Angels Episcopal Church and the United Methodist Church from Spearfish. The Lenten lunches have not been done for two years and this is an opportunity for the community to come together again.

Lenten Lunch on March 22

Spearfish United Women of Faith has agreed to take lead for the Lenten Luncheon our congregation will provide on Wednesday, March 22 at the United Church of Christ (UCC). BUT, we need a lot of help from each of you also.

We will need a lot of cookies, sandwiches, which we make at our church, and 2 roasters of soup. A signup sheet is available in the church office for those who wish to:

- Make cookies
- Help that day to make sandwiches at our church (to control health quality)
- Help transport food to UCC,
- Serving the lunch at UCC
- Setup and cleanup at UCC.

For more information contact Orvette in the church office or Shirley Doten (642-2024) or Debra Richardson (call 717-2625 or text 605-580-6846) This event is a great opportunity to show each other how to be the church in service with others. Thank you to all you who can help with us.

Painting at the Church **February 27 – March 31**

Lamb Painting will be working in the Sanctuary doing painting, sanding and refinishing surfaces during the month of March. The whole area will be off-limits.



All worship services will be held at the United Church of Christ at 920 N. Main St. If you have any questions or need to schedule an event at UMC, please contact Orvette in the church office at (605) 642-3457 at office@spearfishumc.org.

Choir College Students

Our adult choir, in the past, has welcomed college students to sing with us, and offered them a small wage for their efforts. We currently have a student singing with us, and we need to replenish our fund to pay her. If you’d like to contribute, please place your check in the offering, with “Choir Student” in the memo. Thank you!

Dinah’s Book Club

Dinah's Book Club is reading *Night Road* by Kristin Hannah. The group will meet Monday, March 13

in the parlor at noon. Books are available in the church office. You are welcome to join them.

Taizé Worship

A Taizé worship service will be held Thursday, March 23 at 7 PM at the United Church of Christ located at 920 N. Main St., due to the painting at UMC. 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.



Dinner & Game Night

Dinner and Game night is a time for people of all ages to gather and enjoy some fellowship together. Kevin Nakajima provides a main dish and you are encouraged to bring sides, non-alcoholic drinks, or just yourselves. Stay for dinner, stay for games, just talk, or any and all of the above are encouraged. This month it will be March 19 at 5 PM. Please join us and contact Kevin Nakajima for more information.



- Youth suppers are served Wednesday nights at 5:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed to: cook or pick up meals, assist with clean-up, help someone else with a meal, or any combination of these. Funds are available to cover the costs. Just let Brenda (641-4864) know if you can help! Many thanks!
- Heads up everyone! The **spring rummage sale** will be held April 1st (no foolin').
- Youth sent Valentine greetings to elders and shut-ins of Spearfish UMC.
- Confirmation students and 2 adults spent an afternoon at the Solar Oven Partners workshop in Rapid City building oven reflectors.

Prayer Needs

We want you to know your church is here for you and we want to pray for you. Our Lord hears our prayers. "Be joyful in hope, patient in afflictions, faithful in

prayer." Romans 12:12

If you have any prayer needs (upcoming surgery, illness, family needs), please notify our church office at (605) 642-3457 or at office@spearfishumc.org. When your prayer requests are received they are forwarded on to the Prayer Team which includes the Congregational Care Ministers (CCM) and Pastor John. If you would like to be on the weekly e-news prayer list please let Orvette, in the church office, know. Prayer gives hope, love, and peace!

If you have any other needs please call the church office. Our church has many resources and knows of many community resources to help people.

Health Ministry Team

Update on Isaac



Spearfish UMC Youth have sponsored a child, Isaac, from Mexico, through Compassion International for the last 7 years. Isaac is now 11 years old!

Our youth sent Isaac birthday greetings in February. We get updates on Isaac's health, education and family life. Sponsorship costs \$38/month.

This is just one way we expand our mission in the church through our youth and their mission earnings.

United Women in Faith (UWF)

Our meeting times this month are listed below:



- **Wed., March 1 – UWF Meeting**

Fellowship time 9:30 a.m.

10:00 a.m. Business Meeting in the Library

Hostess: Shirley Doten

Program: Reconnecting with Our Sacred Bodies

Facilitator: Debra Richardson

- **Sun., Mar. 12 – Sip & Paint**

2 p.m. Fellowship Hall – 3 hour commitment – Individual cost & limited seating

- **Wed., Mar. 15 – UWF Meeting**

Fellowship time 9:30 a.m.

Meeting 10:00 a.m. – Library

Hostesses: Sandy Prante

Program: Growing Seeds – Call to Prayer and Self-Denial 2023: Because We Believe

Facilitator: Brenda Swanson

- **Wed., March 22**

UWF taking lead for the Lenten Luncheon to be Served at UCC

All women of the church are invited even if not a Spearfish United Methodist member. We encourage inviting women from other churches that don't have a women's group to attend that is looking for a faith-based organization. For more information contact any of the following Leadership Team members:

Debra Richardson (717-2625)
Colleen McKirdy (269-1054)
Brenda Swanson (642-5495)
Emma McKirdy-Wilsey (269-1063)

*Submitted by Debra Richardson,
Chair member of leadership team.*



I THINK THAT YOU HAVE SOME SERIOUS FAITH ISSUES

Camp Registration is Open!

It may look and feel like winter (because it is!) but the camping season is right around the corner.

The Dakotas UM Camp booklets are available and the online registration is open. Now is the time to sign up for the camp of your choice before it fills up!

Spearfish UMC pays half of your camp cost. Other



discounts include an Early Bird discount if registered by April 30th and \$25 off for each new friend you bring to camp.

Check out the options at our Dakotas UM camps at Lake Poinsett, Storm Mountain, and Wesley Acres. Booklets are available in the fellowship hall or church office. For more information or to register go to www.dakcamps.org/camp-and-events or call Brenda at church.



Sip & Paint

Spearfish United Women of Faith invite you to a Sip & Paint on Sunday, March 12 at 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This would be a 3-hour commitment to finish your painting and there is an individual cost of \$45.00 with limited seating available. PLEASE RSVP by March 10th. Please let us know in advance if you need childcare. For questions or childcare RSVP, please contact Colleen McKirdy (269-1054) or Emma McKirdy-Wilsey (269-1063).

United Methodist Men (UMM)

The United Methodist Men had their breakfast / devotions on Feb. 4 & 18. Everett Follette did the devotions on the 4th reading from Matthew 5:13 "you are the salt of the earth". We discussed what we thought being the salt of the earth meant to each of us.

Perry Hansen lead us in devotions at our Feb. 18 meeting reading from 2 Samuel, David killing Uriah so he could have his wife as one of his own.

The next Breakfast/Devotions meetings will be March 4 & 18 at 8:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Bill Lundgren, UMM President

Thank you, Thank you!

Our Volunteer in Mission medical team is packing our bags for our March 1 departure to rural Honduras. We are so thankful for all those who helped us purchase medications and supplies through our cinnamon roll fundraisers and mission of the month offering. Now we ask that you keep us in your prayers as we travel and work in Honduras March 1-14. Blessings.

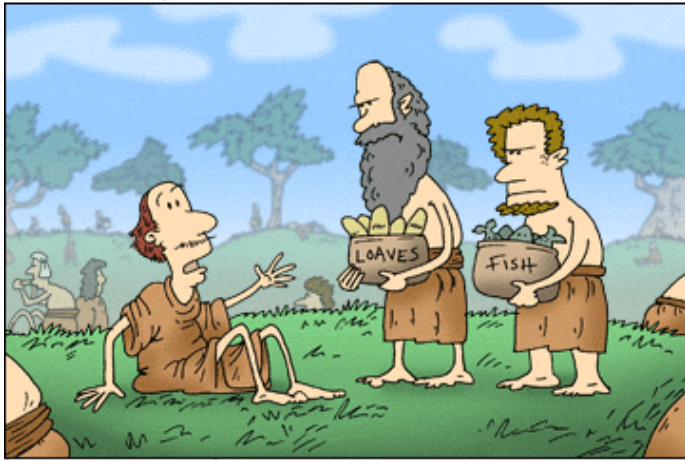
Ron, Gloria, Michelle, Bobbi, Sue, Glea, and Cindy

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: **THE BOOK WOMAN OF TROUBLESOME CREEK** by Kim Michele Richardson.

Inspired by the true blue-skinned people of Kentucky and the brave and dedicated Kentucky Pack Horse library service of the 1930s, *The Book Woman of Troublesome Cree* is a story of raw courage, fierce strength, and one woman's belief that books can carry us anywhere—even back home.





(See Matthew 14:14-21)

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I'M ON A NO-CARB, VEGETARIAN DIET

Council Highlights

February 21, 2023

Budget

- Peggy Bosch presented an overview of the 2022 budget and the 2023 budget. After the overview and a brief discussion, the Administrative Council voted to accept the 2023 budget.
- Peggy also introduced Keith Haiar as the new UMC Treasurer! Thank you, Keith.

Nominations Report

- Pastor John reported that all the spots for each committee have been filled.
- We as a council, will take a closer look at the nominations at the next meeting and approve those nominations.

Values Discernment Workshop

The Values Discernment Workshop was held Saturday, February 25 from 8:00-1:00.

Prayer Partners



“Spirit of the Living God, fall afresh on me. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.” Guide me to be more like Christ in all parts of my life this Lenten season. Help me to live what I have learned and to apply the messages of God's word. May I share love and compassion every day in every way. Use me, O God, to help transform the world. Amen



Welcome New Members who join on Feb. 18 & 19:

- Clara Arnold (*Gail – spouse*) - 11794 Owl Creek Rd., Belle Fourche SD 57717
- Rod Garnett (*Sandy – spouse*) - 2373 Tumbleweed Tr., Spearfish SD 57783
- Gordon & Chari Hogsett - 18897 Prairie Vista Ln., Belle Fourche SD 57717

Sympathy to the family of:

- *Virginia Furrow* who died February 17, 2023 and whose services were held Friday, February 24, 2023 at 10:30 AM at the church.



Mission of the Month Tree of Life Ministry

The Tree of Life Ministry on the Rosebud Reservation in Mission, SD is a part of the working hands and feet of God to the Lakota Nation, serving body, mind, and soul. They feed, clothe, shelter, and love and show grace to a broken, hurting society.



- “The Warm Welcome” Soup Kitchen serves over 150 meals a day to children, elders, the homeless, and the working poor.
- The “Ur Boutique Thrift Store” provides household goods, furniture, appliances, and gently-used & new clothing for all ages.
- Construction projects help families whose homes need repair to aid the occupants health and safety.

Your donations will help support the families that use this facility.



Donations are needed of the following items:

- Ramen Noodles
- Pork & Beans
- Oatmeal
- Cookies
- Canned Fruit
- Cereals
- Jelly (high need)
- Spaghetti Noodles
- Flour 2 or 5 lb.



Mary Hayenga	03-01	Ivan Clark	03-15
Terry Powell	03-02	Perry Hansen	03-16
Kim Ammerman	03-03	Deborah Mary Carr	03-18
Ezekiel Foltz	03-04	Vi Zwickl	03-19
Walt Marchant	03-06	Randy Stewart	03-19
Blake Burtzloff	03-06	Phyllis Bury	03-20
Brenda Swanson	03-08	Bailey Jensen	03-20
John Swanson	03-08	Dave Wagner	03-21
Jaxsen Deane	03-08	Olivia Ellerton	03-21
Grayson Donald	03-10	Jay Thiel	03-23
Doug Speirs	03-11	Remington Ross	03-24
Jamie VanDeest	03-11	Todd Hubbard	03-27
Sandy Garnett	03-12	Joe Hallenbeck	03-27
Thea Kae Bradford	03-12	Chris Davis	03-27
Bill Keck	03-13	Tracy Darling-DeMarcus	03-28
Andy VanDeest	03-13	Milton Bragg	03-30
Gerry Hazledine	03-15	Marvin Doering	03-30



Cal & Mary Hayenga	03/03~56 yrs.
Kirk & Jacky Easton	03/17~33 yrs.
Glenn & Lisa Foltz	03/29~9 yrs.



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 2023			
	Income	Expense	Budget
YTD	40,905.19	42,269.97	40,542.00
YTD Income Less YTD Expense		-1,364.78	

DEBT RETIREMENT/CAPITAL FUND 2023			
Month	Actual Income	Month	Actual Income
Jan.	69,029.31		

CHILDREN FIRST FUND 2023			
Month	Actual Income	Month	Actual Income
Jan.	47,592.24		

UMCOC 2023			
Month	Actual Income	Actual Expenses	Difference
Jan	7,530.00	7,484.01	45.99

Special Gifts for February 2023

Endowment Income	\$ 4,465.93
Choir Scholarship Fund	50.00
Adult Education Income	312.50
Sprinkler System	200.00
Yoga Charity Fund	545.00
Honduras VIM Fund	4,835.00
UMCOC Donation	380.00
Roger Bell Memorial	50.00
Ida Moshier Memorial	460.00
Solar Ovens	100.00
UMCOR	705.00
Cornerstone Mission	654.00
Youth Missions	3,637.00
Youth Fund	6.00
*TOTAL	\$ 16,400.43

*as of Feb. 24

Special Funds for February 2023

Benevolence Fund	\$ 10.00
UMC Help Fund	270.00
*TOTAL	\$ 280.00

*Worship Attendance for Feb.: 572 (Avg./Wk = 191)
(3 wks.)



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Return Service Requested

Sunday Worship:

“The Gathering” ~ 9:00 a.m.

“Sunday School” – 9:20 a.m.

“The Sanctuary” ~ 10:30 a.m.

Nursery care/Van rides to worship

CD's of worship

Adult Sunday School: 9:20 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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