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# **Pastor's Page**

"In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, on the seventeenth day of the second month—on that day all the springs of the great deep burst forth, and the floodgates of the heavens were opened." Genesis 7:11

(If there's such a thing as a 100-year flood, does it mean this wasn't Noah's first rodeo?)

Wow, the rain sure came down last month! And a big storm last week brought flooding to quite a few

inhabitants of Spearfish (and elsewhere). As you've probably heard, the parsonage wasn't spared this time. All that rain, along with a partially clogged culvert, filled the little drainage creek and the watershed behind the house, swelling the waters to an outdoor level two feet above the basement floor.



Fortunately, the red-dirt infused water only rose to about two inches inside of the house.

And that's when the help started arriving. Flashlights in hand, we got the power turned off and began inspecting. And then squeegees and shopvacuums arrived with willing operators, and the red-water

removal began in earnest.

Earlier that same week, Evie's brother Brian, who was visiting with his wife Nicole, discovered that our basement floor drain was overflowing, and any faucet, tub, or toilet we ran added to the overflow. Again, helping hands arrived, but the clog was further down the pipe than their sewer snakes could reach. Fortunately, the second plumbing contractor was able to reach the clog— 170 feet away from the floor drain! After the water was gone, Evie attacked the mess with a bleach solution to obviate any possible mold and/or mildew.

And then the rains came.

And the help came, that day, the next, and the day

after. Neighbors came to see if we were alright, and to commiserate on how much water they had in their homes. Some had a lot of water, and a lot had some. Trustees and other church members came to help with the cleanup and to assess the damage. BHSU football players came to move heavy furniture and help tear up the laminate flooring. And then Evie and I began the work of mold/mildew abatement. More work to come, too.

Yes, we'll remember the flood, but more than that, we'll remember that help came.

When it comes to floods, insurance companies protect themselves better than their clients. The church has insurance on the home, and we have renter's insurance, but neither policy covers floods. After assessing our belongings, we are very lucky to have lost very little, most of which was empty boxes from our move (and stored for the next one). However, there will be some significant expenses for the church to repair and replace flooring and walls that were damaged. We know that help will continue to come – and that many of you will participate.

As I said, that's what we'll remember—that help came.

Peace,

# Pastor John Madvig

**Interim Pastor** 



# "The Book of Revelation; **Encouragement in Difficult Times"**

Everyone is invited to join the Tuesday Zoom Bible Study as we start a new study of the book of Revelation. Pastor John Madvig will be helping us to discuss and better understand this letter that was written to seven churches in Asia and meant to encourage all churches. We always enjoy a lively time of fellowship and learning

together.

The Spearfish United Methodist Church, Tuesday Bible Study meets every Tuesday morning from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Contact Rod Garnett if you would like to be put on the email list to receive the Zoom link each Tuesday morning at <a href="mailto:garnett.rodney@gmail.com">garnett.rodney@gmail.com</a>.

## **Summer Choir**

Summer Choir will continue on Sundays through August 20. All are welcome at 10:00 am to rehearse an easy song in the Choir Room and share it during Sanctuary Worship. No mid-week rehearsals. Join us!



## Dinah's Book Club

Dinah's Book Club is reading "The Four Winds" by Kristin Hannah. The group will meet on Monday, July 10 in the parlor at noon. Books are available in the church office. You are welcome to join them.

# **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 July 16 at 5 PM and will feature Gazpacho and Bruschetta. Please join us and contact Kevin Nakajima for more information.

# Taizé Worship



A Taizé worship service will be held Thursday, July 27 at 7 PM in the sanctuary 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.

# **July CYFM Update**

(Children, Youth & Family Ministry)

Here at CYFM, we are excited to say we had a lovely and big turnout for our first in-person **Summer Children's Sunday School** session on June 11, and we look forward seeing some more friendly faces for our

next Summer Children's Sunday School session on July 9 at 9:20-10AM!

So we can continue to spread more joy through family-fun community engagement this summer here are some upcoming events:

- **Summer Sunday School** from 9:20-10AM on July 9, and August 13.
- Summer Family Block Party & VBS Kickoff on August 13 from 5-7PM
- **Vacation Bible School** from August 14-18 from 9-11:30AM

During the summer we will have Children's Sunday School in person each 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday for July and August, you may also find online Children's Sunday School videos each week to view on our website as well under: <a href="https://www.spearfishumc.org/ministries/childrens-ministry/">https://www.spearfishumc.org/ministries/childrens-ministry/</a>

Mark on your calendars for our Summer Block Party & VBS Kickoff on August 13 from 5-7PM, which will include similar activities to our Spring Block Party, with a Hero theme to go with our Herobased VBS. There will be face



painting, crafts, food, games, science, bubble & water gun activities, and bouncy castle fun! Anyone and everyone are welcome to join us for an evening of family fun! This is also a great time to sign up your kids at our information station for Vacation Bible School!

Vacation Bible School registration is open and will take place from August 14-18 from 9-11:30AM!
Children 3 years of age through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to a heroic adventure to learn God's love and bravery at Hero Hotline Vacation Bible School! At our Hero's VBS, your children will enjoy an interactive, energizing, Bible-based good time as they are called together to serve God. They will become Heroes and discover that answering God's call together means striving for the things that bring peace and the things that build each other up – all through engaging art, music, recreational games, science, and creative snacks!

There is still plenty of room for children to sign up, and older youth may also join the fun as a volunteer, floating around where they feel comfortable to help the VBS staff, and joining in activities they wish to join in!

Pick up a VBS registration form at our Church Office, or sign up online at:

## https://www.spearfishumc.org/vacation-bible-school/

Are you willing to volunteer at any of our events, like the Summer Block Party or Vacation Bible School? Or are you interested in shadowing to see how Children's Sunday School works? We are very eager to gain some new volunteers to get to know and spread some joy for the youth! Sign-up sheets are in the Fellowship Hall, or you can call Katelyn Smith at 419-296-5723 or email at workksmith@gmail.com.

We have lots of fun events planned for the summer to engage our families and their children, and we hope you will join us either through prayer, volunteering, spreading the word, or visiting our upcoming events. Please keep a lookout for informational flyers and sign-up sheets on our Facebook page or at our church services in the Fellowship Hall as the dates continue to get closer. Thank you to everyone for continuing to warmly support the events we put together!

# Dakotas Conference Youth Worker Hall of Fame



Brenda Swanson, retired youth director at Spearfish UMC, was named the recipient of the Youth Worker Hall of Fame award, which honors individuals who have committed a lifetime to serving Jesus Christ through

youth ministry. The award was presented at the recent Dakotas Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church, held in Sioux Falls, SD by the Conference Council on Youth Ministry (CCYM) which was a big part of Brenda's ministry to youth.

Brenda's early service to the church included children and youth bell choir, Sunday school teacher and superintendent, many years of Vacation Bible School as well as a volunteer youth worker. She began as a part time youth worker. Duties as the full time staff for youth at SUMC included weekly activities with a meal, planning and promoting participation in camping, mission trips, CCYM conference events and national trips plus fundraising and nurturing youth and family faith.

Trips included work trips to Mexico 2004, 2006, 2008; Native American experiences with mission trips in SD, ND, WY. Inner city and other enrichment trips were taken to Denver, New Mexico, Texas, Wisconsin, New Orleans and Appalachia. Spearfish youth were part of world youth gatherings as part of Dakotas Conference delegations for Youth 2003, 2007, 2011, 2015 Orlando, and 2019 Kansas City. Due to Covid, no trips were taken in 2020 and 2021.

On the application for this youth award, Pastor Scott McKirdy commented, "Spearfish UMC has been blessed with a dedicated Christian who has led youth activities and mentored volunteer youth workers. Brenda Swanson has modeled Christ as she built relationships with children, youth, families and seniors who support youth ministry. She is loving, caring and compassionate. Youth need role models. Brenda serves as an ageless role model for all ages."

Brenda received the Darrel Leach Youth Worker of the Year award in 2018. Darrel served as a Dakotas UMC pastor for many years and had a passion for youth. One of his early experiences was to serve as a summer youth worker in Spearfish during his college years in the 1960's.

Spearfish UMC made a commitment to youth in the fall of 1999 when Suzanne Osborne Dobbs was hired as the full time youth director. Special fundraising preceded that step. Brenda was hired May 1, 2003. She recently retired after 20 years of service.

Thank you, Brenda, for service to children and youth of this church as well as many others.

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YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISERS IN THE EARLY CHURCH

# Blessed to Be a Blessing: Spearfish UMC Rolls Out a Gift to Storm Mountain Center

By Dave Stucke, Dakotas Conference Communications



The older 15-passenger van (foreground), and its newer replacement, at Spearfish UMC.

"It only takes a spark, to get a fire going." That's how it is with God's love, but to keep the very well-

worn minivan at Storm Mountain Center going, it took much more than a spark. In fact, the camp has been looking for a way to replace the 8-passenger van for several years, and had listed that need on the camp's wish-list for a while.

A vehicle is a large donation, but thanks to a spark of caring, a love of the ministry of United Methodist Camps and Retreats, and some watchful eyes at Spearfish United Methodist Church, this big-ticket item on the golist is being donated this summer.

Spearfish UMC has enjoyed a gifted, 15-passenger van for many years. It has hauled youth around the Dakotas Conference, as well as on some longer, out-of-state mission trips, and created many great ministry memories and experiences.

A few years ago, a generous family at Spearfish UMC donated a new van to be used primarily for youth. The older van was then gifted to another nearby UMC, but after a few years, they couldn't justify keeping it, and asked Spearfish if they couldn't put it to better use.

Youth Ministry Director Brenda Swanson heard about the van possibly coming back and happened to see the Go-List from Storm Mountain Center. She texted the new camp director, Tanner Clark, if the camp would like to have a 15-passenger van donated. Tanner's response was, "Whaaaat??? That's awesome!! Perfect timing, one of the mini vans here is pooping out on us!"

As an adept youth ministry director (who retired just last month), Brenda knew whom to contact to get the ball— and this van, rolling. Her husband, John, happens to be the chair of the Spearfish UMC Trustees Committee, so together they kept this spark alive. John brought it to the next remote trustees meeting in May, where the trustees saw the opportunity, got a consensus, and began the process to donate the van to the camp.

One of the reasons the van had been gifted the first time, was to keep it local, so through our UMC connection, it could be utilized by area churches in need of transportation. This second time around, it's being gifted to Storm Mountain Retreat Center, which is not far from Spearfish. Church members saw that this would be an excellent way for that van to continue to bless others.

The 15-passenger van is in good condition, has mostly highway miles (although it does come with a set of chains), is full of memories, and will continue to make good memories for youth and adults through our camping ministry for years to come.

Of course, what's a used vehicle without stories? We asked Brenda to share a couple that remain in her memory.

"On an interstate rest area in the middle of South Dakota, we stopped with a van full of youth, so the driver



could use the restroom.

Then came the misunderstanding of who needed bathroom breaks and when," she recalled. "Soon, everyone was securely

locked outside the van, with the keys locked inside." The locks worked immaculately, and the trip was temporarily interrupted.

Another survivable moment for the van, youth, and adults was on a mission trip to Chicago, when the spare tire was stolen out from under the van while parked at the

group's hotel. Brenda shared, "They cut the cable and took the tire, but we weren't the only ones. There was a rash of spare tires stolen at that time in that area."

Although the van never had a name, it did have a mascot, a tiny dinosaur found in a mud puddle in St. Michael, ND, while on one of several mission trips to Spirit Lake Ministry Center in Sheyenne, ND.

After years of great mission trips and CCYM events, a lot of glowing ministry memories were made possible with that gifted van and keeping it in the area will remind Swanson and others of those cherished times.

"Pass It On" is still a popular camp song from years past. This theme is lived out again as Spearfish UMC chooses to "pass it on" for continued youth and adult camp ministry at Storm Mountain Center. "We were blessed and we want to pass that blessing on," Brenda said.

## **United Women in Faith (UWF)**

Meeting Days and Deadlines within the next two months are the following:

- Sat., July 22 Spearfish UWF Retreat 9 a.m. 1 p.m. Church Library. Please RSVP to Debra Richardson by texting to 605-580-6846 or email d.a.r.rosetree333@gmail.com by Wed., July 19. We will have a potluck salad lunch. We pray that some of the working women will be able to attend this time enjoying the learning, fellowship and sharing with each other.
- Mon., July 31 Deadline for turning in the list of Books read for all four levels in the UWF Reading Program to Brenda Swanson.
- Wed., Aug. 9 11:30 Sack lunch Lions Park or the Church Library depending on weather.

All of us need to remember any woman, from any denomination, can attend United Women in Faith. We encourage all current members to invite



friends and women from other churches to attend our meetings. The more the merrier!

It is my own intention that we will have the 2023-2024 Spearfish UWF handbook ready to hand out in August as we start our new year in September.

For more information contact any of the following UWF Leadership Team members:

- ➤ Debra Richardson 605-580-6846
- Emma McKirdy-Wilsey 605-269-1063
- > Colleen McKirdy 605-269-1054
- ➤ Brenda Swanson 605-642-5495

Debra Richardson, Chair of UWF Leadership Team.

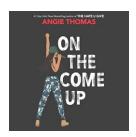
# 1<sup>st</sup> Appointment for Hannah Andres

Hannah Andres, who has been attending our church for the last few years has been appointed as a Pastor to Moran UMC in Spokane, Washington effective July 1. This congregation was formed during the time of circuit riders



in 1876. The congregation was formally established in 1889. More of the church's history is available online at **Moranumc.org** and they can be found on Facebook at Moran United Methodist Church where services are livestreamed every week.

## **UMW Book of the Month**



Check out the UMW Book of the Month for July: ON THE COME UP – by ANGIE THOMAS BALZER-BRAY (2019) In this follow up to *The Hate U Give*, Angie Thomas dives into the story of 16-year-old Bri, who wants to be one of the greatest rappers of all

time—or at least win her first battle. As the daughter of an underground hip-hop legend who died right before he hit big, Bri's got massive shoes to fill. But it's hard to get your come up when you're labeled a hoodlum and your fridge is empty after your mom loses her job. Bri pours her anger and frustration into her first song, which goes viral for all the wrong reasons, and soon finds herself at the center of a controversy. But with an eviction notice looming, Bri doesn't just want to make it—she has to. Suitable for youth.

# **United Methodist Men (UMM)**

The United Methodist Men met on June 3 & 17 for breakfast and devotions. Bill Lundgren gave the lesson on June 3 from Acts 2:14-21. In this reading the Holy Spirit came to the disciples and gave them the ability to speak in other languages.

On the 17<sup>th</sup>, Perry Hansen gave a general science exam. It was interesting and fun. And there were some perfect scores.

Methodist Men will NOT meet in July and August. We will meet after Labor Day. Put September 9 on your calendar and join us at 8:00 AM.

Bill Lundgren, UMM President

# How Does the "UMC Help Fund" Function?



When someone comes into the church office asking for help, the first thing we need to know is what kind of help they need. This starts with a

conversation with them to find out if they are working or looking for work, where they are living and how many are in their family. Occasionally we will have bus tokens, coats, blankets, and snacks as needed.

The only thing that the UMC Help Fund can help with is a Safeway Gift Card that can be used for food, gas, and medications at Safeway. Alcohol and tobacco products are restricted and cannot be purchased with these cards. There is a limit of \$100 for each person per calendar year. A record is kept for each person that receives funds.

A Community Food Resources list is provided to each person with a list of other places for them to get help with food such as:

- Spearfish Food Pantry
- Feeding South Dakota Mobile Food Pantries in the Northern Hills communities
- Salvation Army
- Compassion Cupboard in Belle Fourche
- Lord's Cupboard in Lead
- Shepherd's Food Pantry in Lead
- Black Hills Baptist Church Food Pantry in Whitewood (for residents only)
- Kiwanis Food Bank in Sturgis (for Meade County residents only)

For help with other needs such as medical, utility bills, rent, car problems, etc. people are referred to:

- The Good Shepherd Clinic
- Salvation Army
- St. Vincent de Paul
- Youth & Family Services
- Western South Dakota Community Action
- Love Inc. in Sturgis and Rapid City
- Bella Pregnancy Center

Currently we are giving out approximately \$500 to \$1,000 per week and are unable to keep up with the demand. Higher gas prices and high food prices are making it difficult for people to be able to make ends meet even when they are working.

People are very appreciative of the help that we can provide when they are in desperate need.

One person came in needing help with gas. She was waiting for a deposit in her bank account. We gave her a Safeway gift card, but the pumps were out of order. She managed to borrow \$20 to hold her over. She came in the next day to give us the gift card back



because she didn't use it and her money was in her account. She also brought in a \$100 donation to the UMC Help Fund to help other people and gave hugs to Orvette in the office as a 'thank you'.

The UMC Help Fund can only continue with your donations to this ministry of the church. You may place your donations in the offering plate at worship or you may send it in to the church at 845 N. 5<sup>th</sup> St., Spearfish SD 57783. Please note on your check "UMC Help Fund"

## A Book for Caregivers

The Health Ministry Committee, at the Spearfish United Methodist Church, would like to give you the book "May I Walk You Home". It is a book for caregivers of the very ill. It provides courage and comfort for caregivers and also for the ill person.

You may call the church office at, 605-642-3457, if you would like a copy of this very informative, helpful book.

Health Ministry Committee

## **CANCER-Now What?**

The Health Ministry Committee has available an excellent book titled, *CANCER-Now What?* It is about taking action, finding hope, and navigating the journey ahead. The goal of *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 (church office-605-642-3457) know, so we can make the book available.

Health Ministry Committee

# **Need Help with Your PC or Smart Phone?**



Kathy Harr is looking for several middle school or high school kids from the church who would commit to a couple of hours one day a month to help other people from the church with

their PC or Smart Phone concerns. This would be done in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Kathy if you can help or have questions at <a href="mailto:kathyholtharr@gmail.com">kathyholtharr@gmail.com</a>. She would like to set up a schedule for the fall months.

## **Caring Meal Ministry**

We ask you to call the church office (642-3457) when there is a need for a meal to be delivered such as during an illness, death, etc.

What a great way to serve others as we prepare food for the body and soul.

Health Ministry Committee



# **Council Highlights**

June 20, 2023

## **Stewardship & Finance Discussion**

- A correction was made on the S&F report. The line item for the UMCOC amount should read "\$2923.25 in the red".
- Pastor John on behalf of nominations moved that we nominate Janelle Jones to fill the vacancy on the Stewardship & Finance Committee. Bill seconded it and it was unanimously approved. Janelle will represent Children First as a committee member on S&F.

#### **Focus on Values**

- Youth & Children (Relationship Options between UMC and Children First)
  - Janelle informed the board that the Children First director is working on answering the following questions:
    - What does Children First expect from UMC?
    - What does UMC expect from Children First

- What is the best move for both UMC and Children First?
- Should Children First become independent from UMC and have their own 501C?
- Collen moved that a task force be formed to look into the details of the UMC/Children First issue with the following people tentatively asked to serve: Colleen McKirdy, Janelle Jones (chairman), Melissa Raad, Keith Haiar and Bill Keck. Kevin seconded it and it was unanimously approved.

# Report to Council about Annual Conference held in Sioux Falls (Janelle Jones)

- Approved churches desiring disaffiliation (current total of 43 churches in ND, SD)
- Approved 2024 budget, new apportionment for each church 13.5%
- Worship, music, preaching and fellowship.
- Celebration of life in ministry—ordination, retirement, deceased clergy or spouses
- Resolutions regarding support for persons with disabilities, establishing green teams.
- Miracle Offering of \$42,000 for mental health support in ND and SD
- Congratulations to Brenda Swanson being honored for 20 years of youth ministry with the Youth Worker Hall of Fame award!

## **Committee Reports**

# **Stewardship & Finance Committee Report, June 2023** (Keith Haiar)

- Repairs to leaking pipes in the church boiler
- Bruce Johnson Endowment Children First will present a proposal to the SP committee next month
- Lawn sprinkler repair in Healing Garden the Jim Meade memorial will cover the repair
- Internal audit
- Discussion on remaining funds for youth ministry

## <u>April Treasurer's Report (May, 2023)</u> (Keith Haiar) Balance Sheet

The lease deposit of \$100 for the former commodities room was moved from the liabilities account to UMCOC income. The UMCOC Window Blocks fund of \$785.00 will be moved to UMCOC reserve fund in July. The Donna Golliher Memorial of \$1505 will be moved to a Music fund to be used for new instruments, repair, and other music items for worship. We received the insurance money for the fence repair to replace Children First damaged toys and still have \$503.71 remaining.

#### **General Fund**

For the month of May, total income was \$34,416.66, total expenses were \$46,280.21. Pledged and unpledged income averaging about \$8k per week. The month of

May ended in the red \$11,863.55 leaving the General Fund year to date in the red of \$26,854.15. We received another snow removal bill (\$2,352.32) and paid the quarterly insurance premium (\$8,583.05 + Workers Comp \$716.86).

#### **UMCOC**

The income for UMCOC was \$5,355 and expenses were \$7,441.04. The month ended in the red with \$2,086.04. The year-to-date balance is in the red at \$2,923.25. The additional snow removal bill and the insurance premiums put them in the red for May. Completion of the new CF Waddler room will result in additional rental income going forward.

## **Debt/Capital**

We received \$2,246 in donations bringing the YTD balance for the fund to \$54,085.

#### **Children First**

Children First May income totaled \$43.431.58 and expenses were \$43.911.38. Children First ended May in the red \$479.80 and year to date in the black \$27,850.69. This is the 9th month of their fiscal year.

## **Mission-Giving**

Mission giving for May was \$4,215.00. We gave out \$8,068.75. Mission of the Month was Help Fund, which received \$2,630.00 and distributed \$3,275. Also, the Conference Miracle Mission collected \$1,475.00. We sent \$2,400 to the school in Honduras for construction of a new well due to their drought.

#### **Children First** (Janelle Jones)

Children First Board met June 15. Expansion Grant of \$28,300 was received for waddler room which will be used for rent, wages, equipping the room. Staff—one new person hired and resignation of Steve as CF custodian. Melissa and Sarah are working to answer: What does CF expect of SUMC? What does SUMC expect of CF? Requesting Bruce M Johnson endowment fund to use for scholarships for needy families. Infant outdoor area is repaired (accident in April) and shade sail in place. Continuing concern of deteriorating asphalt.

Worship & Music Committee (Kevin Nakajima)
We are going through Genesis all summer. The main item is that we will be having an outdoor worship and picnic on August 27 at City Park. Facilities are rented.

Missions Report (Colleen McKirdy)

Our Mission of the Month is the Spearfish Food Pantry, and thanks to Ben McKirdy-Wilsey, the canoe has been delivered and is starting to fill up. In addition to our monthly mission project, some individuals continue to donate to other missions.

In April, they were:

- ➤ Cornerstone Rescue Mission
- ➤ UMC Help Fund (Donations are needed as the demand is high so giving is encouraged)
- Solar Oven Partners
- ➤ Heifer Project
- ➤ Clothe-A-Kid

- Honduras VIM
- ➤ UMCOR-Ukraine

I'm grateful for the generosity of our congregation!

# Prayer Partners

God of love,

Bless all families as relationships are strengthened with time for summer activities. Help us to appreciate the generational ties of infants, children, teens, all adults



including grandparents and great grands. May love and God's grace lead us to peace and mercy. May we love all those whom God loves. Amen.



## New babies in the congregation:

- *John Elliot Swanson* who was born June 13 weighing 7 lbs. 13 oz. to Nathan and Janna Swanson. He has a big sister, Linnea.
- Mili Jolean Foltz who was born June 14 to Glenn and Lisa Foltz weighing 7 lbs. 12.8 oz. She has several big brothers and sisters, Carter, Erik, Eliana, Asher, Ezekiel, Josiah, Boaz and Atalie.

#### Condolences to the family of:

 Roger Bell who died December 19, 2022 and whose memorial service will be July 15, 2023 at the home of Jerry & Sonia Ainsworth, 3330 Higgins Gulch, Spearfish. All are welcome.



Mission of the Month

Spearfish Clothe-A-Kid

The beginning of another school will be here before we know it, and the effort to send our students to school in new clothes and supplies is in full swing. Do you remember how you felt as a youth anticipating your first day of school? New crayons, sharp pencils, shoes with no scuffs, shirts with no stains, and pants that were long enough. What a great feeling! That is the premise behind the Spearfish Clothe-A-Kid project



that was started over 20 years ago at Spearfish UMC with the goal that all students started school with a positive self-image.

Clothe-A-Kid is now a city-wide initiative, supported by churches, businesses and individuals to provide new clothes, school and hygiene supplies, backpacks and Spartan hoodies to 150 less fortunate Spearfish students. Annually, over \$25,000 must be raised to cover the expense of these items through donations, grants and fundraising. Each student will pick up their supplies and hoodie at the church, then are given a designated time to shop for their new clothes. The pride in their new things is obvious, and each student can feel they "fit in" on the first day of school.

Financial help is always accepted and appreciated. Please direct your donations to Spearfish UMC Clothe-A-Kid or any questions to Karen Hahn, (605) 631-0296 or <a href="karenhahn68@gmail.com">karenhahn68@gmail.com</a>.



#### Donations are needed of the following items:

- Canned Chicken
- Pork & Beans
- Canned Carrots
- Chunky Soups
- Hamburger Helper
- Egg Noodles
- Beef Stew
- Apple Sauce
- Grape Jelly



Arne Koski	07/01	Garrett English	07/21
Rylan VanDeest	07/01	Angie Smith	07/22
Jeanette Keck	07/02	Jocelyn Brown	07/22
Jaron Hyatt	07/02	Vicki Wood	07/23
Bobbi Looney	07/04	Betty Wilson	07/23
Vivian Besler	07/04	Ryan Jennings	07/23
Anthony Swanson	07/07	Irma Means	07/24

Nathan Gaddis	07/08	Rhian Deane	07/24
Ross English	07/08	Norma Perry	07/25
Karen Miller	07/09	Mary Hallenbeck	07/25
Peggy Bosch	07/09	Shaina Loux	07/25
Sam Jennings	07/10	Helen Stiles	07/26
Odessa Eddie	07/12	Barbara Elving	07/27
Austin Hendricks	07/13	Beth Bentley	07/27
Jane Carlstrom	07/16	Glenn Foltz	07/28
Melissa Heckel	07/16	Jayde Engel	07/28
Lauren Haiar	07/16	Kadyn Loup	07/29
Doug Stanford	07/19	Elijah Shank	07/29
Dorothy Swanson	07/21	Josiah Foltz	07/29
Lindsey Wilkinson	07/21	Don Looney	07/30



Justin & Samantha Stricker	07/04~9 yrs.
Doug & Linda Stratton	07/07~16 yrs.
Andy & Jamie VanDeest	07/08~17 yrs.
Perry & Cherry Hansen	07/21~22 yrs.
Shane & Sarah Hazledine	07/22~23 yrs.
Ron & Brenda Hendricks	07/27~27 yrs.
Rob & Beth Bentley	07/29~45 yrs.
Jay & Yvonne Adrion	07/29~18 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?"

DEBT RETIREMENT/CAPITAL FUND			
Month	Actual Income	Month	Actual Income
Jan.	69,029.31	Feb.	2,209.49
Mar.	1,965.29	Apr.	2,435.25
May	2,246.26		

<u>CHILDREN FIRST FUND</u>			
Month	Actual Income	Month	Actual Income
Jan.	47,592.24	Feb.	44,339.49

Mar.	47,676.36	Apr.	45,128.09
May	43,431.58		

## Special Gifts for June

Food Pantry	\$ 1,395.00
Sprinkler System	200.00
Special Gifts/Non GF	125.00
Yoga Charity Fund	198.00
Children First Grant Income	28,264.59
UMCOC Donation	380.00
Roger Bell Memorial	200.00
Solar Ovens	100.00
Conference Miracle Offering	100.00
Youth Mission	150.00
Youth Fund	6.00
TOTAL	\$ 31,118.59

## **Special Funds for June**

Benevolence Fund	\$ 140.00
UMC Help Fund	3,790.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,930.00

**\*Worship Attendance for June:** 616 (Avg./Wk = 154)

\*On-Line Attendance for June: 415 (Avg./Wk=139) (3 wks)



## THE TRUMPETER



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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.

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