

The Trumpeter

Spearfish United Methodist Church

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Pastor's Page

Easter



Easter arrives early this year. Are you prepared?

It's a fair question, as Lent is a season of preparation. Historically, it has been a season of preparation for baptism which, in many churches, still takes place at a vigil on Easter Eve. For all of us it can be a time of inward repentance and restoration, and outwardly refocusing our faith toward generosity and service.

While Easter is the greatest day in the church year (yes, it even surpasses Christmas), we celebrate Jesus' resurrection each and every Sunday.

If Covid transformed you into an online worshiper, this Easter is a great opportunity to return to the fellowship and worship that takes place in the church. We're still here, and we've missed you!

Holy Week services will be offered on Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday. Check here in the newsletter for dates and times.



Peace,

Pastor John Madvig

Interim Pastor



Community Lenten Lunches



All lunches will be served at our church at noon on Wednesdays with the following churches hosting:

- **March 6** – All Angels Episcopal Church
- **March 13** – United Church of Christ

2024 Holy Week Schedule

Saturday, March 23

“Blue Jeans” Worship – 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 24 – Palm Sunday

“Gathering” Worship – 9:00 a.m.

Sunday School – 9:20 a.m.

“Sanctuary” Worship – 10:30 a.m.

Catered Lunch – Noon – Get your tickets early

Concert “Make Our Garden Grow” – 1:00 p.m.



Friday, March 29 – Good Friday

“Good Friday” Taizé Worship – 7:00 p.m. – UMC

Saturday, March 30 – Lazarus Saturday

“Blue Jeans” Worship – 5:30 p.m. – UMC

Sunday, March 31 – Easter

“Gathering” Worship – 9:00 a.m. – UMC

“Easter Potluck Brunch” – 10:00 a.m.

– Fellowship Hall

Easter Egg Hunt – 10:00 a.m.

“Sanctuary” Worship – 10:30 a.m. – UMC

Fellowship Time – 11:30 a.m. – Fellowship Hall



Monday, April 1 – Easter Monday

OFFICE CLOSED

Staff Tribute to:

Emma McKirdy-Wilsey



Emma McKirdy-Wilsey is the organist and pianist at the Sanctuary service at Spearfish UMC. She was taught by the late Donna Golliher, an experience she is grateful for, and took over the position in 2018.

Emma attended Cottey College and Simpson College for her undergraduate degree, graduating with a bachelor's in music performance in 2014 from Simpson. She earned her Master's in Piano

Performance from USD in 2016.

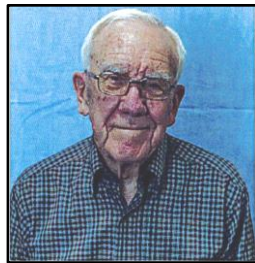
Since then, she has taught private piano lessons and served as accompanist to groups and soloists, such as Dakota Choral Union, the BHSU Music Department, and local public schools.

She loves crafting and needlework, as well as hanging out with her partner Benjamin, two little children, and two cats.



Everett Follette

Everett Follette has been a servant leader at Spearfish UMC for many years. One of his early passions was to get United Methodist Men started. A variety of men attended national gatherings and were inspired by preachers, teachers, and the music.

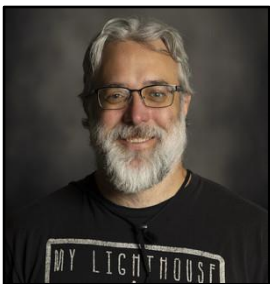


Everett and Joan were active participants in visiting church members and visitors as part of LRE (Lifestyle Relational Evangelism). Everett was also instrumental in starting and leading Disciple Bible Study for many years.

Everett has been a leader for many Bible studies and adult Sunday school groups. He currently leads a Zoom group each Sunday morning. He has moved to Edgewood Vista and participates in many activities there. His four children reside here and in Minnesota and Colorado.

Rev. Paul Lint New Pastor at Spearfish UMC

The Staff Parish Relations Committee (SPRC) is pleased to announce that The Dakotas Conference Cabinet and Bishop have appointed Reverend Paul Lint as the new pastor For Spearfish United Methodist Church. Paul and his Wife Brenda currently serve as Directors for Wesley Acres Camp and Retreat Center in Eastern North Dakota. In addition to serving as camp director, Paul has 20+ years of experience leading various churches and doing campus ministry. Paul is also currently serving on the Conference Council of Youth Ministries (CCYM).



Paul and his family will be moving to Spearfish this

coming summer. The exact date will be determined based on the best transition for Wesley Acres and their camp schedule. Over the coming months, SPRC will be focusing on the process of saying goodbye to the Madvig's as they continue their ministry elsewhere and welcoming the Lint Family.

Stay tuned over the coming weeks for more information as this transition progresses!

make our garden grow

Dinner & Concert



Come join us in fellowship for a Catered Dinner & Concert on Sunday, March 24, at 12:00 noon (dinner) and 1:00 PM (concert). Tickets are \$30/adult and \$10/child (through age 12); or buy a whole table for eight of your closest friends for \$300 (value-added!).

Rod Garnett & Chris Davis will offer dinner music while we feast on a delicious meal provided by the Old West Dutch Oven Catering Co. Tickets may be purchased beginning March 3 after worship or in the office on weekdays.

Following dinner will be a concert of spring music provided by soloists from our church, as well as groups such as the Spearfish UMC Choir, the Taizé Band, and Randy Hedge & Friends (which includes Pastor John).

A free-will offering will be taken at the concert for those not attending the dinner, or for we "feasters" who feel moved to give a little bit more! All funds raised will be added to the church's general budget fund.

Coffee with Pastor John

If you'd like to grab a cup of coffee with Pastor John, he's at Common Grounds from **9:00-11:00 am most Mondays**. Everyone is welcome.



United Methodist Men (UMM)



United Methodist Men (UMM) met February 3rd and 17th. On February 3rd we met at Perkins with our devotion presented by Gabe Hicks. On the 17th we met in the fellowship area with a devotion presented by Riley Chrisman.

On February 13th we cooked pancakes, eggs, and sausage for our church's first Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper. We had a great turnout of about 85 and we received lots of compliments. We collected \$935.03 for the event and UMM voted to not be reimbursed for the supplies. So that allowed all \$935.03 to go to the 2024 General Fund budget deficit of \$30,000.

I would like to welcome you to our UMM meetings. Our March meetings will be the 2nd (featuring omelets) and the 16th, both at 8 a.m.

*God Bless, Kelvin Lower
UMM President*

2024 Annual Men's Retreat



On Friday, March 8 at 6 PM thru Saturday, March 9 at 3:00 PM the group of men will meet at Storm Mountain Center. The group will begin with supper on Friday and then will spend the evening in worship and fellowship, delving into their faith as they explore their call to live a bold and fearless faith. On Saturday the men will spend the day serving at the camp, working on a variety of projects.

Cost is \$85 (includes lodging and 3 meals). Bring your own sleeping bag/bedding, towel/toiletries, change of clothes, Bible, water bottle, work gloves/coat for service projects. Contact Pastor John Britt at 605-787-2414 or at pastorjohnbritt@gmail.com.



Taizé Worship



A Taizé worship service will be held **Thursday, March 7, and on March 29 as a Good Friday Service**. Both will be 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.

Dinah's Book Club

Dinah's Book Club is reading "*As Bright as Heaven*" by Susan Meissner. The group will meet on **Monday, March 11** in the parlor at noon. Books are available in the church office. You are welcome to join them.

United Women in Faith (UWF)



United Women in Faith will host our March event with a speaker. We welcome Carolyn Short, a mental health professional from Spearfish Counseling, to lead us in a discussion about keeping boundaries and relationships and caring for ourselves. Join us for lunch and discussion on Sunday, March 10th at noon.

Again, just like last month, we will not have a Business Meeting due to Lenton Luncheons. But we will meet on Wednesday, March 20th. Kathy Harr and Sandy Prante will be our hostess. Fellowship time will start at 9:30 with our meeting starting at 10 am in the Library.

We invite all woman in the church and their friends to come, giving us your gift of presence. We want our Women's Ministry to meet the needs of more women in our congregation and community by providing a fellowship of sharing ourselves with each other. You don't have to be a member to attend any of our events. But membership is not just for Methodists but any woman from any denomination is welcome to become a member of United Women in Faith.

If you have any questions feel free to contact any of the following members:

Spearfish United Women in Faith Leadership Team

- Chair, Debra Richardson 605-580-6846
- Colleen McKirdy 605-269-1054
- Brenda Swanson 605-641-4864
- Emma McKirdy-Wilsey 605-269-1063

Grief and Loss Group

The “Grief and Loss” Group meets in the church Parlor at **1:00 pm each Thursday** afternoon.

Roberta Hilliger RN and Mental Health Nurse for 40 years will meet with group to guide discussions. All ages welcome for any grief or loss issues be it involving family, spouse fentanyl issues, Covid losses, ongoing sadness, difficulty in your day and grief. You will get a chance to speak and listen.

We do not have tapes or books or fees. Contact Roberta Hilliger with any questions at 605-389-1884.



Prayer Quilts from Quilt & Crafters



Prayer Quilts are a very loving expression of what we here at Spearfish United Methodist Church feel for the people of our church family and friends; whether it be for blessings

of joy, for healing, or for condolences of sorrow.

If you know of someone who could use such a blessing, please let Orvette in the church office know (or anyone of the members of the Quilters group). The one requirement is that the individual receiving such a prayer quilt must agree to the request.

The quilts are tied by our church members. Each knot represents an individual prayer.

If anyone is interested in joining the Quilters group, they meet on Thursdays from 9-12:00 PM. They'd love to have you join them.

*Chairperson, Monica Ingalls
Co-chair, Dyan Nagel*

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 all of the above are encouraged.

This month it will be **March 17** at 5pm and will feature a Irish Stew. Please join us or contact Kevin Nakajima for more information.

“Thank You” from the Honduras Mission Team

Thank you for all your support and prayers for our team to Honduras January 17 to 28. We were able to work in 6 villages and provide medical and dental care to over 1000 adults and children.



You may remember that a year ago conditions were so dry that most of the local wells, including at Send Hope, our host, were going/had gone dry. As a team we helped provide funds for a new well at Send Hope, one that also would supply a community source for clean water. What a joy it was to watch kids come with their buckets and

bottles and get safe water for families without wells.

Thank you for making a difference in Honduras.

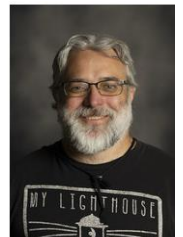
Ron, Gloria, Michelle, Glea, Cindy, Dianne and Scott

Prayer Partners

God of possibilities,

Grant us inspiration and courage to explore new ways to bring about the Kingdom of God here in the Northern Hills. May we have open hearts to discern God's will for the future of Spearfish UMC.

May the Holy Spirit continue to guide the cabinet of the Dakotas Conference as they appoint the right pastor to the right place. Praise to you, O God, for the appointment of Pastor Paul Lint to SUMC starting this summer. Halleluia and amen.



Council Highlights

January 21, 2024

- We reviewed the information gathered at the Feb 10th meeting between congregation members and Children First. A SWOT analysis (strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats) was done and discussion was had regarding the Church's relationship with Children First. Information will be taken back to the Children First Task Force for review.

- Our new Pastor has been assigned. We are excited to welcome Pastor Paul Lint and his wife Brenda and their children this upcoming summer.
- Fundraising efforts – Special events are happening and continue to be planned. These events are being held to raise money to offset the budget deficit of \$30,000 this year. This is a big undertaking, and all are welcome to help with these efforts. If you have ideas or events you want to host/help with, please contact a council member, committee member or talk to Pastor John.

classroom by utilizing curricula from *The Set Me Free Project* and *The Foundation United* that cover all grade levels. Topics include identifying trustworthy people, sexting, sextortion, safety plans, how to stay safe online, what information not to share, and more.

All donations help with continuing education for our youth and community members in Spearfish and surrounding areas. Currently, only 5th grade receives education but with additional funding, they would expand into Junior High & High School.



Donations are needed of the following items:

- Pork & Beans
- Cookies
- 2 lb. Flour
- Peanut Butter
- Beef Stew
- Chili
- 2 lb. Sugar
- Pancake Mix (sm. bags)



Mary Hayenga	03-01	Gerry Hazledine	03-15
Nora Burtzloff	03-01	Ivan Clark	03-15
Terry Powell	03-02	Perry Hansen	03-16
Kimberly 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
Johnathan Loux	03-10	Remington Ross	03-24
Doug Speirs	03-11	Todd Hubbard	03-27
Jamie VanDeest	03-11	Joe Hallenbeck	03-27
Sandy Garnett	03-12	Chris Davis	03-27
Thea Kae Bradford	03-12	Tracy DeMarcus	03-28
Bill Keck	03-13	Milton Bragg	03-30
Andy VanDeest	03-13		



Cal & Mary Hayenga
Glenn & Lisa Foltz

03/03~57 yrs.
03/29~10 yrs.

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YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISERS IN THE EARLY CHURCH



Mission of the Month

Phoenix Rising Education Program (PREP)

PREP exists to educate both children and adults on internet safety with the goal of child exploitation and human trafficking prevention. They hold community events in and around Spearfish to educate parents, grandparents, caregivers, and community members about keeping kids safe online. They partner with other organizations from across the state to provide up-to-date information on trends and tactics online predators are using in South Dakota and across the Nation.



Their outreach Coordinator works with schools to present age-appropriate education to students in the



Blessings upon:

- *Sophia Noel DeWeese* who was baptized on Sunday, February 25, 2024, at the “Gathering” worship service. Her mother, Rachel DeWeese, reaffirmed her baptism vows along with her daughter.

Sympathy to the family of:

- *Jane Carlstrom* who died February 12, 2024 and whose funeral service was held February 16 with Pastor John Madvig officiating. Burial was held at Rose Hill Cemetery.

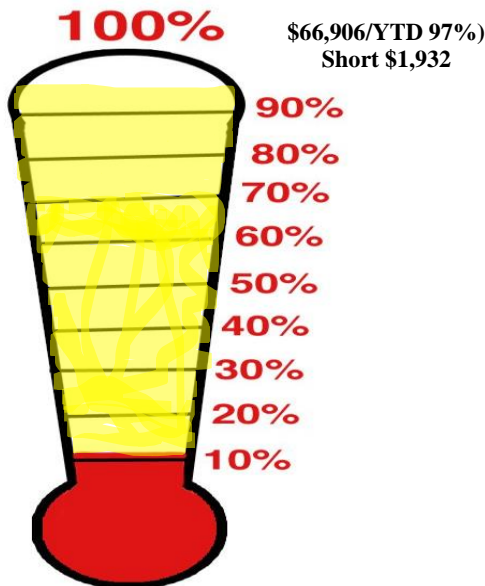
BUDGET

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?”



Special Gifts for February

Camp Scholarships	\$ 1,520.00
Church Fundraisers	935.03
Ameriprise (Lent) Investment Income	14,459.44
Yoga Charity Fund	340.00
Honduras VIM Fund	5,685.00
UMCOC Donations	380.00
Ministerial Association Income	303.00
Solar Ovens	50.00
Youth Fund	6.00
TOTAL	\$ 23,678.47

Special Funds for February

Benevolence Fund	\$ 210.00
UMC Help Fund	390.00
TOTAL	\$ 600.00

*Worship Attendance for Feb.: 650 (Avg./Wk=163) (4 wks)

*On-Line Attendance for Feb.: 437 (Avg./Wk=146) (3 wks)

There Is Work to Do!



Work is a doorway to possibility.
Whatever our circumstances, let us do the best we can and cultivate a reputation for excellence in all that we do.

PRESIDENT DIETER F. UCHTDORF

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



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