



# The Trumpeter

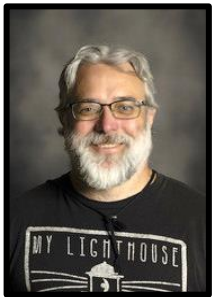
*Spearfish United Methodist Church*

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## How Do We Hear Music?

I have long been fascinated by the strange reality that we all sense things differently. Why do some people see the difference between Tiffany Blue and Medium Turquoise and others think that they both might

be green? I am not even talking about those who have literal color blindness and see certain colors as shades of grey while others see bright red or green. Having a large family I am still surprised by taste buds and the ways people actually sense different “notes” in various foods. Our brains process temperature changes and textures that we touch in different ways. I can not smell skunks while others are overwhelmed by their scent.

This is part of what brings me to wonder about music. There are biological differences in how much we hear compared to other creatures and that range and nuance changes with age or training or damage to our hearing. There are some people who have better than average hearing in one range of notes but much less in other ranges. Each of these realities impacts how people hear music. There are many more cultural and regional differences as well. We are often raised to like certain things or dislike certain things, but often that is one of the first ways we rebel, and we choose music that our parents think is noise.

But you may be asking after two paragraphs what this has to do with our faith or the Church. For many people, worship is directly impacted by the “type” of music that is involved in the worship. What I like may be too loud and “obnoxious”

for you to feel like you are worshipping, and what you like may be too “lofty” for someone else. Some care deeply about the words, while others don’t even know what they are saying.

All of this could lead us to only encounter music and worship in the ways that “work for us.” Yet, I would challenge us to do the opposite. Encounter the powerful music of this world and ask people how this music impacts them. Allow your love for music to help you to explain to others the beauty of the music and the gift that

God has given in that music. Like in most things, we should explore and share rather than hide in our comfort zones. We all can be blessed by opening ourselves to hear differently (or sense in other ways as well). God can bless us through country music, rap music, the harpsicord, and in music that I have never even heard of.

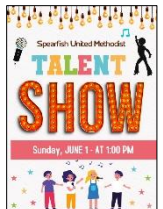
*Pastor Paul*



## Dinner & Talent Show



Enjoy a Potato Bar Dinner on **Sunday, June 1 at noon**, followed by our Talent Show at 1:00! Free-will offerings will be taken for both the dinner and the concert. Invite your friends and neighbors!



## Chris Davis

Chris Davis has served in many roles at Spearfish United Methodist Church. She has served as Council chair, Finance chair as well as formerly part of the Blue Jeans Praise Band. Since its beginning, Chris has served as the coordinator for Congregational Care Ministry (CCM) which assists the pastor with outreach and caring for elders and those with special needs. Her current



employment is director of Good Shepherd Clinic, which recently expanded to hold clinic hours in Lead. Hats off to Chris for her Christian service.



## Children First Arts & Antique Gala

This is a celebration of the Summer Solstice on **Thursday, June 19 from 5-7:00 PM** at in Fellowship Hall and the Parking Lot between the church and Children First. There will be something for everyone. Wonderful hors d'ouvres and mocktails for adults. Silent auction items and many beautiful pieces will be auctioned off by Pastor Paul. Children can enjoy their own food and outdoor activities of face painting, bouncy castle, balloon animals, and outdoor games.

Our success depends on the generosity of your contributions. Please look around your home for that one item of value that you no longer need. Auction items can be brought to the church office starting Monday, June 16 for the Gala.

There will be musical entertainment for all! The Gala is sponsored by the Children First Board. Proceeds will go toward playground improvements. Contact Jeanette Keck at (605) 390-3068 about your donations.

## Taizé Worship



A Taizé worship service will be held **Thursday, June 12<sup>th</sup>** 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.



Do you enjoy singing but don't want to attend a mid-week rehearsal? Summer Choir is for you! Gather in the choir room at 10:30 am on Sunday morning to learn an accessible song for performance during worship. All ages and abilities are welcome!

## Dear Congregation:



We have some great news and some not-so-great news. The great news is that, due to a government program left over from the COVID years, the SUMC organization has received about \$116,000. This is basically a payroll tax refund because SUMC retained all employees in the COVID year 2020. The company who did all the work to verify our eligibility to the government was paid 15% of the total. This left about \$35,000 for the church, about \$62,000 for Children First, and about \$2,000 for the Carr Education Center, based on the 2020 payrolls of each entity. Regarding the church's share of \$35,000 the Stewardship & Finance Committee, with an eye on the future, decided to invest \$20,000 of this money. That leaves \$15,000 for current needs for the church.

Now for the not-so-great news – the church needs a new boiler, cost about \$23,000. We have \$15,000 from the COVID money. Trustees and Stewardship & Finance will use the Trustee Emergency Reserve for the other \$8,000. The new boiler will not be an emergency until about October, however we need to get started on the project now since it takes time to get parts and build a boiler in the church basement. Taking \$8,000 from our Emergency Reserve will almost completely use up that fund. We may need emergency money for some situation in the future, so the Reserve needs to be replenished as soon as possible. Will you help? If you feel called to help replenish the church Emergency Reserve, please make your check out to the church and indicate "Emergency Reserve" in the memo spot. As always, we are grateful for your support of your church. Thank you.

*Stewardship & Finance Committee*

## United Methodist Men



Mark your calendars! Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 9 a.m. will be a breakfast provided by United Methodist Men along with a program at 9:30 a.m. Laura Feige, a Volunteer Community Educator with the Alzheimer's Association, will make a presentation on the *10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's and Dementia*. We have invited United Women of Faith and would like to invite anyone else who would like to attend and learn more about these health conditions.

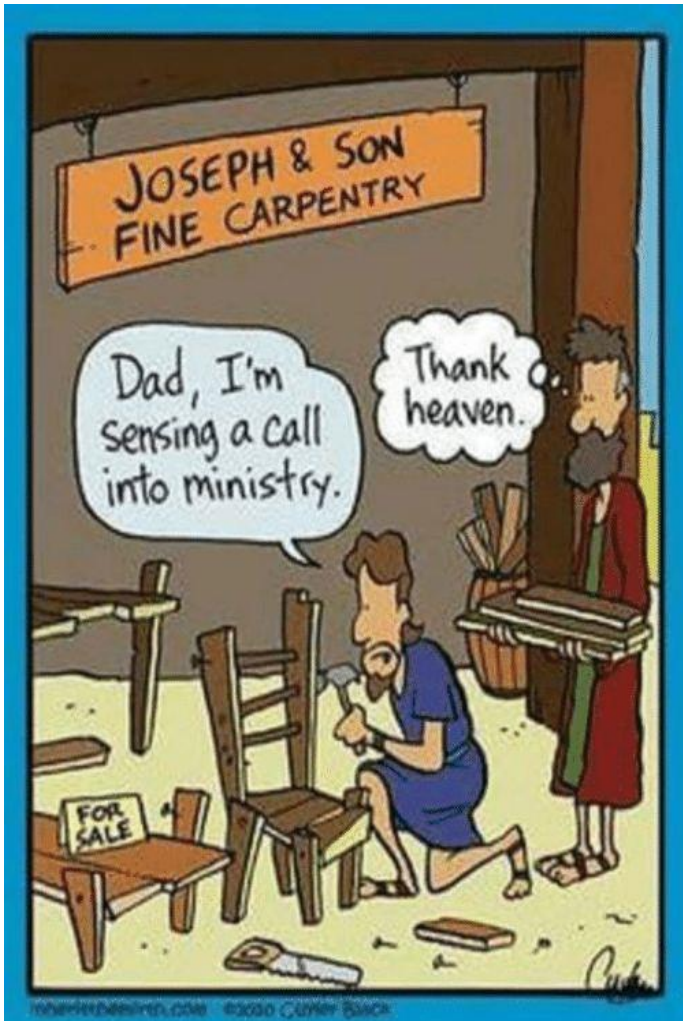
Please contact Kelvin Lower at [kelvinlower@gmail.com](mailto:kelvinlower@gmail.com) if you plan to attend so we will know how many to cook for.

*God Bless,  
Kelvin Lower, UMM President*



## Dinah's Book Club

Dinah's Book Club is reading "*Remarkably Bright Creatures*" by Shelby Van Pelt. The group will meet on **Monday, June 9** in the parlor at noon. Books are available in the church office. You are welcome to join them.



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 **Sunday, June 15 at 5pm** and will feature Spanakopita. Please join us or contact Kevin Nakajima for more information.

## United Women in Faith (UWF)

Join us for breakfast with the United Methodist Men at 9:00 am on Saturday, June 21, and hear about the care given to our members who live at Edgewood Vista. No need to bring anything, just come for the food and fellowship, courtesy of the men!



United  
Women  
in Faith

## Mission u



**Mission u** is a transformative educational program that encompasses both Bible-based curricula and events. All are welcome to engage with these components of Mission u.

Interested in deepening your faith in community? Gaining experience interpreting Scripture? Working toward healing for yourself, your community, and all of creation? Mission u is for you!

Each year, United Women in Faith develops three justice-focused Biblical curricula for adults, youth, and children, all on a common theme. In 2025, our theme is *Practicing Hope Together*. **Mission u** offers a unique opportunity for faith communities to create powerful intergenerational learning experiences.

Registration is open for **Mission u** on July 11-13 at Dakota Wesleyan University in Mitchell, SD. Forms with more details and registration information can be found in the church office. The study book, *Practicing Hope*, can be purchased at [uwfaithresources.org](http://uwfaithresources.org) for \$19.99. Ask any of our United Women in Faith members for more info.

## Prayer Partners

Loving God.

We celebrate the 27 years of Orvette's serving this church. We welcome Pastor Paul and the Lint family as they are again appointed to serve in the northern Black Hills. We are blessed to have an outstanding staff at Spearfish UMC and Children First. Christ Jesus, guide us to follow your path. Amen.





### Sympathy to the family of:

- *Ray Nordstrom* who passed away May 22, 2025, and whose memorial service was held Friday, May 30 at 10:30 AM at Spearfish United Methodist Church with Pastor Paul Lint officiating.
- *Lyle Harvey* who died May 17, 2025, and whose memorial service was held Thursday, May 29 at 5:00 PM at Spearfish United Methodist Church with Pastor Paul Lint officiating.
- *Connie Nicholas* who died May 5, 2025, and whose memorial service was held Wednesday, May 21 at Spearfish United Methodist Church with Pastor Paul Lint officiating.
- *Marlyce Huyck* who died January 9, 2025, and whose Memorial service was held Monday, May 5, 2025, at 10:00 AM at Spearfish United Methodist Church with Pastor Paul Lint officiating.



### **Donations for June needed are:**

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| • Cereals       | • Canned Chili   |
| • Ramen Noodles | • Pork & Beans   |
| • Beef Stew     | • Canned Peaches |

The food pantry continues to need more donations to cover the monthly expense of food for our clients. For the month of April costs were \$5,000 more than incoming donations. Even more cuts to the amount of food given to each family will be necessary if this trend continues. Please contribute what you can to help get an ample amount of food to those who need it. Thank you.

*Marilyn Halse  
Methodist Board Member*



### **Mission of the Month Solar Oven Partners (SOP)**

Our Mission of the month for June is Solar Oven Partners. SOP started in the Dakotas UMC conference

some 20+ years ago to address the deforestation and health issues from cooking with charcoal and wood in poor countries. Wood/charcoal smoke is damaging to lungs and eyes, as well as quite expensive. In addition, water or milk can be pasteurized in the same oven.

SOP now manufactures oven components in the Dakotas and places solar ovens in the Dominican Republic, Sierra Leone in Africa, and the Navajo and Hopi reservations in New Mexico. Participants attend 2 days of seminars where they learn how to assemble and care for their solar oven, and practice cooking local food with this new method. The oven they take home includes 2 pots with lids, a bread pan, utensils, water pasteurizing indicator, potholders, cookbook with local recipes in local language, etc. Participants do pay a small percentage of the cost of the ovens as well as attending classes so they can use the oven effectively.



What if we told you, you changed someone's world right now?



SOP now builds oven components in 4 places in the Dakotas. The closest is Open Heart UMC in Rapid City, where Spearfish members have worked in the reflector workshop.

Interested? How can you get involved??? Teams to the Navajo nation in New

Mexico, Dominican Republic and Sierra Leone are forming for this summer and fall. Others of you may help by sewing potholders or utensil bags needed for the next shipment, and volunteers are needed at all the workshops.

Donations provide the major share of the oven costs and are always needed. For more information, please check the website at <http://www.solarovenpartners.org> or check with the church office.

*Thank you. Mission Committee*

### **Thank You from Black Hills Foster Parent Association**



“We want to thank your beautiful congregation for blessing the foster children and families in our area. The beautiful gifts have already been put in welcome bags. The huge gift of money (\$1,175) is helping families out in so many ways. Some of the money is being used for kids in care to participate in different activities and to help with the necessary equipment they need. We pray God’s blessing on all of you! God bless.”





Todd & Connie Hubbard	06/01~34 yrs.
Anthony & Tristany Swanson	06/02~7 yrs.
Blake & Lexi Burtzlaff	06/06~5 yrs.
Wayne & Linda Lueders	06/08~51 yrs.
Warren & Dorothy Johnson	06/16~69 yrs.
Jim & Margie Hesson	06/16~51 yrs.
Milton & Vicky Bragg	06/18~64 yrs.
Penny Louks & David Hoenshell	06/22~1 yr.
Matthew & Lisa Kostelecky	06/23~13 yrs.
David Ayer & Tobi Miller-Ayer	06/26~21 yrs.
Ben & Emma McKirdy-Wilsey	06/26~10 yrs.
Aloysius & Marsha Dangel	06/27~50 yrs.



Alyssa English	06-02	Sheila Ahmed	06-14
Aurora Culver	06-02	Eric Vaughn	06-14
Carson Lint	06-03	Mili Foltz	06-14
Bob Brady	06-04	Carol Sander	06-15
Seanna Linafelter	06-07	Marilyn Halse	06-15
Cora Pierson	06-08	Lainey Burtzlaff	06-15
Rod Eisma	06-09	Kelly Wilsey	06-16
Sam Perry	06-11	Peony Hammerquist	06-21
Marsha Dangel	06-11	Tyler Johannesen	06-24
Morie Carnahan	06-12	Marlene Johnson	06-26
Kathy Lower	06-12	Aloysius Dangel	06-26
Blakeley Peterson	06-12	Carolyn Baker	06-27
Jacob Brewer	06-13	Yvonne Adrion	06-27
Logan Brewer	06-13	Alietha Balo	06-27
John Swanson	06-13	Emerie Shank	06-28
Bill Lundgren	06-14	Sheila Powell	06-29
Larry Miller	06-14	Sophia DeWeese	06-29

### Special Gifts for May

Food Pantry	\$ 1,200.00
Camping Scholarships	650.50
Church Shed Fund	1,840.15
Yoga Charity Fund	514.00
Nourish the Children	30.00
Carr Education Center (CEC)	380.00
Children First Scholarships	950.00
Marlyce Huyck Memorial	50.00
Conference Miracle Offering	220.00
Coop Preschool	100.00
Solar Ovens	25.00
UMCOR	445.00
Foster Parent Group	100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 6,504.65</b>

### Special Funds for May

Benevolence Fund	\$ 10.00
UMC Help Fund	650.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 660.00</b>

**Worship Attendance for May:** 623 (Avg./Wk=156) (4 wks)

**On-Line Attendance for May:** 699 (Avg./Wk=233) (3 wks)

## E-Giving is EASY

We have added another easy way to E-Give to the church. **VENMO** is convenient, you just need to Scan the QR code to the right with your smartphone. Make your gift.



**venmo**



We still have **VANCO** where you set up to give on a regular basis. If you have any questions about giving in this manner, contact Mary Tracy at the church (605) 642-3457 or at [finance@spearfishumc.org](mailto:finance@spearfishumc.org).

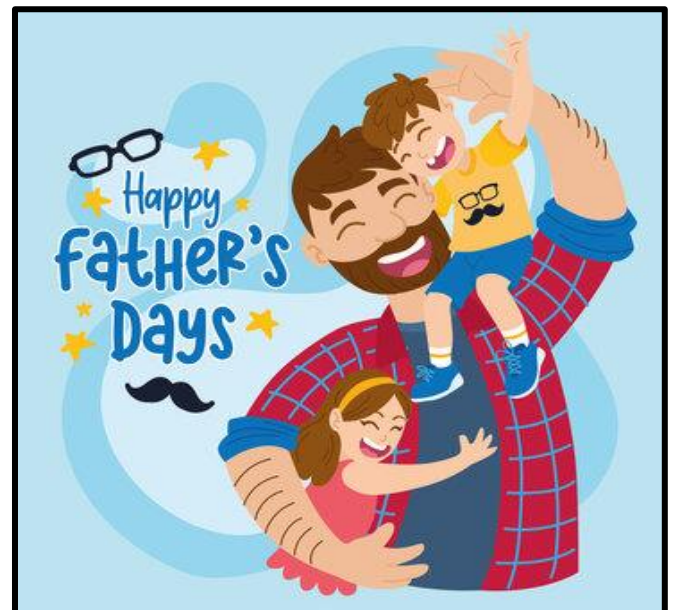


**You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God.**

--2 Corinthians 9:11

## Come, Share, Rejoice!

"Will you be loyal to the United Methodist Church, and uphold it by your prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness?"



## THE TRUMPETER



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### Sunday Worship:

“The Gathering” ~ 9:00 a.m.

“Sunday School” – 10:00 a.m.

“The Sanctuary” ~ 11:00 a.m.

Nursery care/Van rides to worship

CD's of worship

Adult Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

Saturday “Blue Jean” Worship ~ 5:30 p.m.

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