



MEMORIAL LUTHERAN

"Connecting To Jesus And You!"

Connection

October 2024

"Celebrating God's Blessings Through His People!"

By Pastor Aaron Asmus

Hebrews 11 is a chapter that speaks about living life with trust in the gracious promises of God – about living with faith in the awesome works of God. The verses in this chapter urge us to recall how God has used people who faithfully served Him to carry forward the life of Church (this chapter specifically speaks of many believers in God's promise of the Savior who lived even before Jesus was born). The faith and service of God's people are remembered and celebrated!

In the spirit of Hebrews 11, I urge you to celebrate the following examples of blessing from our Lord:

1. We celebrate Kathy Holdorf's work among us for 21 years as she retires from her service here at Memorial. Much of this past month Kathy has been training Melinda Wood and Cole Heyd to carry forward the work she's been doing as our Administrative Manager. So much has taken place over these past 21 years and Kathy's done so much over these years to help our ministry be as effective as possible. As you've received connections of blessing from the Lord through our congregation's ministry, it's almost certain that Kathy's work has been part of that blessing! We lift up your service, Kathy, even as we pray for God to bring blessing to all that you and Kurt continue to do each day as His own people!

2. While Director of Christian Education Liz Peters has been with us as our Director of Children's Ministry for 17 years, this fall she celebrates her 25th Anniversary of service to the whole Church as a DCE (her first 8 years + a year of internship were served at St. John's Lutheran

Church in Yankton). Liz's love for the Lord and her love for children blend together to help move Memorial forward in connecting our kids to our Lord Jesus! Congratulations, Liz, as we praise God for how He uses people for special service in full-time church work!

3. You may not have known that Jan Noah has been a church organist at Memorial for 60 years! And that doesn't count her 4 years at Peace Lutheran in Rock Rapids or the 3 years she played at Faith Lutheran in Sioux City. This obviously means that Jan started playing organ for church at a very young age! Thank you, Jan, for modeling servant-hood in how you use your musical gifts!

4. Anniversary of Memorial Lutheran Church – this fall marks 25 years that our congregation has gathered at 5000 South Western Ave. in Sioux Falls for our regular connection to Him in His Word and the Sacraments. A major building project in 2008-2009 nearly doubled the size of the initial building footprint. More important, however, are the many people that have been connected to our Lord's calling for this gathering of people to be in service to Him, even as we've been served. Oh, and did you realize that we also celebrate 80 years of being a congregation together in Jesus' name! That's a connection that carries us four generations toward God's past blessings, but causes us to anticipate countless generations of blessing still ahead. Thank You, Lord, for Your many blessings! By faith we move forward together as Your people, seeking to connect others to Jesus!

In Christ,
Pastor Aaron

"Wherever you are, we want to connect Jesus to you and you to Jesus. Because of Him we are a family, always growing, learning how to love one another and the community around us."

SUNDAY WORSHIP INFORMATION:

8:00 am Traditional Worship

9:30 am* Blended Worship

11:00 am Contemporary Worship

11 am service is also Livestreamed.

Visit, www.memoriallutheran.net & click on the Youtube link under 'Worship.'

*NOTE: Bible Studies and Sunday School are available at 9:30 am for ages 3 - Adult unless otherwise noted on the monthly calendar.

CROCKTOBER

Oct. 4th @ 6:12 PM

Join us for a Crockpot Potluck First Friday!!!

Fix something in your crockpot to share and we'll eat and have some fun!!! Beverages & Tableware will be provided. Questions? See Liz Peters

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OFFERING SUMMARY - 2024

Giving thru September \$ 717,551 September giving: \$ 54,315
Expenses thru September \$ 713,307 Monthly Budgeted Need: \$ 98,165
Difference + \$ 4,244

Offering Boxes! - Offering boxes are available at each Worship Center entrance. Cards are also available at each box with a QR code if you would prefer electronic giving.

Thank you for supporting the Ministry and Mission of Memorial Lutheran Church.

SECURE ELECTRONIC GIVING: is available at: www.memoriallutheran.net. Click on 'Giving Online' at the top of the home page. Forms are also available in the Church Office. Questions? Contact the office at 605-334-7133.

Giving By Text : Send a text to **833-894-0109** with the amount you would like to give. *(Note just the number is required, i.e. 20)* You'll receive a text with a link to register. Once registered, you'll get a text verification & receipt via email. For future giving, send a text with the amount you wish to give *(just the number, i.e. 50)*, & it will process automatically.

Memorial Wish List

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| 1. Funding for high school quilts (\$50/quilt) | 5. Lawn/Outdoor Storage Shed Replacement |
| 2. Funding for Faith Chests (\$26 ea) | 6. Parking Lot Refinish |
| 3. Worship Center Projectors | 7. Garbage Area Fence |
| 4. Microphones | 8. Two Additional Security Cameras. |

"You should each give, then, as you have decided, not with regret or out of a sense of duty; for God loves the one who gives gladly." - 2 Cor 9:7

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Jim Schmidt, Andy Schmuck, Joel Quist

GIVING, CONTACTS, SERVING

Serving Opportunities

Want to learn more about serving during Worship Services? Maybe one of the opportunities below is right for you? Contact the church office for more info on any of the areas. (605-334-7133 or email: info@memoriallutheran.net) and we'll get you connected with the team leader. *(Training provided)*

- Do you like to meet and talk with folks? Maybe joining an usher team is for you?
- Do you like to work with computers? Maybe joining presentation or livestream team is for you?
- Do you enjoy reading Scripture & speaking in front of folks? Maybe joining the Lay Reader Team is for you?



*"Connecting To
Jesus And You"*

We're
HIRING

PART-TIME MAINTENANCE POSITION AT MEMORIAL

We are seeking a part time maintenance person here Memorial. For more information, position description & application, stop by the church office any week day from 8am - 5pm or talk with Casey Bialas.

Building Trustee Updates

What's Happening Around The Church

Updates around the church grounds:

- The parking lot has a new seal coat and striping is next on the list.
- A new shed is being planned for outdoor equipment. We're waiting on final permitting.
- The old shed will be torn down and a new fenced area for the dumpsters will replace it.
- If you have any questions, please contact head Trustee, Casey Bialas.



NEWS FROM THE GARAGE:

"Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path." Psalm 119:105

There have been many times as a parent that I found myself at a loss for words, unsure how to proceed in a moment. Often, I make the wrong choice and say or do the wrong things. But we're given such comfort and strength to continue when we're reminded and hear that God's word lights up our path and gives us a way. And many times, that way is in forgiveness of ourselves and those around us whom we love and serve. God's richest blessings to you this month as you are blessed by His word.

Wednesday Night Hosts

We are looking for individuals to hang out near the East doors on Wednesday nights from 6:15-8:00pm. This requires no skill, other than the ability to be present and greet people as they come in. You can catch up on work, finish a craft project, write letters, read a book...the opportunities are endless! Sign-up with DCE Hailey Jo, DCE Liz Peters, or Elder Chairman Craig Gehrels.

NYG Registration Forms are DUE!!!

If your student is planning on attending the LCMS Youth Gathering in 2025, please fill out a youth participant worksheet (link in email) and return to Hailey Jo with \$100 deposit. October 1st was the deadline so message me ASAP.

STUDENT CONNECT

High School Connect (9th-12th grade) meets every Wednesday, starting at 6:30pm. We start each night sharing how our week has been going then grow together in God's Word and build on our relationships with a game!

Middle School Connect (6th-8th grade) meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 6:30pm-8pm. 6th-8th grade meet in their small groups for the first part of the night. The large group then comes together for devotion and a game.

Bible Study - Sundays at 9:30am

HS Connect - Wednesdays 6:30pm

MS Connect - September 9th & 23rd, 6:30pm

Confirmation Dress Rehearsal - October 30th, 5:30pm

CONFIRMATION

6th Grade; pickup your Take-Home Study packet with Hailey Jo and get started on it today!

7th-8th grade; Register for unit classes with Hailey Jo. Classes have officially begun. If you have any questions about classes, the model or what to sign up for, email Hailey for assistance.

Save the Date! Confirmation Sunday will be November 3rd and March 2nd.

Sunday Morning Bible Study (For 6th-12th grade)

Students are welcome to join us for Bible Study in the garage. We start every morning off with music, games, and social time. We're using Lifeway's Hyfi curriculum. October we'll be learning more about God's forgiveness for us. We hope to see you there!

"THE KING WILL REPLY, 'TRULY I TELL YOU, WHATEVER YOU DID FOR ONE OF THE LEAST OF THESE BROTHERS AND SISTERS OF MINE, YOU DID FOR ME.'" - Matthew 25:40

YOUTH & CHILDREN CONNECTIONS!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

God Forgives Me

This month our SS children will be exploring the gift of forgiveness that only Jesus can give us. Each week, we will look at a Bible story that shares the importance of forgiveness and our need to be forgiven. We are sinners in need of a Savior, and Jesus is that Savior for us. Parents, check out your emails for more weekly info on the SS themes and things you can do at home to reinforce the learning your children are getting each Sunday. Our SS staff is here to share Jesus and God's truths to the children who attend

Sunday School Each Sunday @ 9:30-10:30 AM

3years old-5th Grade

REGISTER FOR SS!!



Club 345

Club 345 is for 3rd, 4th & 5th Graders on the first & third Wednesdays of the month at 6:30-8 pm. This year we are exploring the Lord's Prayer-what it means and how do we say it? We have lesson, games, snacks, crafts... fun time just for these Club 345ers in the Backyard at 6:30-8 PM.

Oct. 2nd Hallowed be Thy Name

Oct. 16th Your Kingdom Come

Nov. 6th Thy Will Be Done

Nov. 20th Give Us This Day

Jan. 22nd Forgive Us and Others

Feb. 5th Lead Us.....

Feb. 19th But Deliver Us

May. 7th Pizza Party

"Jesus said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." -Matt. 19:14



Zingers

1st and 2nd Graders are invited to be a Zinger and meet on the second Wednesday of each month at

6:30-8pm. This year we will be looking at some Prayer Basics, what is it and how do we pray?

Oct 9th How do we pray?

Nov 13th Pray Thankfully

Jan 8th Pray Boldly

Feb. 12th Pray Honestly

May 14th Pray Always (Pizza Party)

KINDERGARTEN BIBLE PRESENTATIONS

On Sunday, Oct. 20th we will present our Kindergarteners with a Picture Bible Book! Kindergarteners and their parents/guardians will be called forward during the 8:00, 9:20 OR 10:45 AM Worship Service to receive a Picture Bible and special blessing.



Thank you to all who provided school supplies for schools in Northwest Iowa affected by the June flooding (Hawarden, Rock Rapids, Rock Valley, and Spencer) We will be distributing the school supplies over the next week to these schools. Thank you for your blessings!

Our "Noisy Offering" raised over \$900 to help with future Laundry Night outreach events. Thank you for your gifts and blessings!

We are partnering with Memorial member Sydney Hansen to help provide winter coats and gear for the Augustana University International students, along with charities such as The St. Francis House and the Union Gospel Mission. Please bring any gently used winter coats, hats, gloves and other winter gear you want to help in October and November and the Outreach Committee will make sure the gear gets to those in need.

The Outreach Committee will be contacting both new members and present members to find out what types of outreach activities you want to see Memorial do in the community. Please feel free to contact the office or I with any suggestions.

Community Outreach – The Outreach Committee will be working with Community Outreach in Sioux Falls to ask members to help provide Christmas gifts for their program to help their clients buy Christmas gifts with dignity. More information to follow!

Upcoming events:

October 6th from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. – Chain of Life event supporting Pro Life from Sertoma Avenue to Jefferson Avenue in Sioux Falls.

October 20th – Serving a meal at the St. Francis House in Sioux Falls (5:45 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.)

November 7th – Laundry Night at Welcome Mat Laundry at 805 S. Marion Road (4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.)

thrivent®

Are you a Thrivent member? Do you have unused Thrivent Action Grants? Do you know how to use those grants? There are many projects here at church that can utilize those grants.

For more information about how those grants can be used, talk with the Outreach team.

To learn how to apply for Thrivent Action Grants, stop by the office or talk with Liz Peters.



We are looking to add more people to our Presentation Team and Broadcast Team. Training is provided!

Email Cole at tech@memorillutheran.net for more information

MISSION & MINISTRY CONNECTIONS!

AREA LCMS AND DISTRICT EVENTS OPEN TO ALL:

SIoux FALLS AREA MAIN STREET LIVING CHOIR

We are planning to resume the Sioux Falls Area Main Street Living Choir this fall. We have practices and tapings scheduled for Saturdays, October 12 and November 9 starting at 1:00 pm. We will gather in the Sanctuary at Zion Lutheran Church, 1400 Spring Ave, Sioux Falls under the direction of Rev. Howard Shane.

Please prayerfully consider becoming a member of this Choir as we join our voices together for the Main Street Living Worship Services.

If interested, please contact Maxine Farden (mmfarden@gmail.com) so she can put together a Contact List for sharing more information regarding this Choir.



HEY GUYS!

SAVE THE DATE!

WE'RE SAVING THE DATE AND POSSIBLY SAVING YOU FROM LAST MINUTE VALENTINE'S DAY PANIC!

Yes, a Date Night to remember... right here at Memorial

Valentine's Date Night

February 14 6:30pm-9:30pm

Supper, program, fantastic door prizes, and child care available.

Get it on your calendar NOW!

You won't want to miss out!



Would like to receive the newsletter in your inbox?

Email Cole at info@memorillutheran.net and let him know that you would like to receive the newsletter digitally.

"Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the Word about Christ." - Romans 10:17

Serving In October

Serving Communion:

- Oct 6:** 8:00 am - Bhrett Baney, Dan Peters
9:30 am - Bob Seidel, Joel Bialas, Dan Currier, Don Becker
11:00 am - Al Herrig, Bill Cooper, Paul Wood, Jim Schmidt
- Oct 13:** 8:00 am - Jay Prouty, Rich Hartmann
9:30 am - Joel Quist, Ken Tucker, Mark Schoeneman, Terry Conrad
11:00 am - Steve Perkins, Joel Shaver, Bryce Gammeter, Paul Luetjen
- Oct 20:** 8:00 am - Kasey Danley, Rich Ulse
9:30 am - Bob Seidel, Don Becker, Rick Dierks, Alan Carlson
11:00 am - Al Herrig, Bill Cooper, Darold Danley, Jim Schmidt
- Oct 27:** 8:00 am - Bhrett Baney, Kasey Danley
9:30 am - Joel Quist, Ken Tucker, Terry Conrad, Craig Gehrels
11:00 am - Steve Perkins, Paul Wood, Joel Shaver, Paul Luetjen

October Acolytes:

- Oct 6 -** 8:00 am - Caleb Quist
11:00 am - Elsie Slavens
- Oct 13 -** 8:00 am - Cora Johansen
11:00 am - Riley Miller
- Oct 20 -** 8:00 am - Laurel Demaray
11:00 am - Bode Larson
- Oct 27 -** 8:00 am - Caleb Quist
11:00 am - Elsie Slavens

October Accompanists: (Worship Team - all 11 am Services)

- Oct 6 -** 8:00 am - Joy Johansen
9:30 am - Kristi Prouty
- Oct 13 -** 8:00 am - Peggy Baney
9:30 am - Kristi Prouty
- Oct 20 -** 8:00 am - Joy Johansen
9:30 am - Kristi Prouty
- Oct 27 -** 8:00 am - Peggy Baney
9:30 am - Kristi Prouty

October Sunday Ushers

- 8:00 am** - Larry Noah, Rocky Boer, Jeff Nelson, Dennis O'Neill, Brian Chesshir
9:30 am - Tim Miller, Dan Amert, Ken Wickre, Larry Miller
11:00 am - Craig Larsen, Scott Ruml, Mike Mlnarik

October Lay Readers:

- Oct 6 -** 8:00 am - Dan Peters
9:30 am - Bob Seidel
11:00 am - Breck Miller
- Oct 13 -** 8:00 am - Jay Prouty
9:30 am - Bruce Olsen
11:00 am - Bryce Gammeter
- Oct 20 -** 8:00 am - Larry Noah
9:30 am - Dan Erickson
11:00 am - Chris Andresen
- Oct 27 -** 8:00 am - Rose Foster
9:30 am - Janet Borchard
11:00 am - Cindy Hyronemus

Presentation Operators:

- Oct 6 -** 8:00 am - Seth Peters
9:30 am - Pete Illing
11:00 am - Elijah Richards
- Oct 13 -** 8:00 am - Charlie Peters
9:30 am - Bruce Olson
11:00 am - Mike Gilbride
- Oct 20 -** 8:00 am - Troy Miller
9:30 am - Pete Illing
11:00 am - Shirley Miller
- Oct 27 -** 8:00 am - Seth Peters
9:30 am - Bruce Olson
11:00 am - Mike Gilbride

Serving

*"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."
- 1 Peter 4:10*

Connecting Through Serving

October Birthdays & Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

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| 1- Josh Johansen
Tanya Lindsey
Connor Martinez
Darin Steffen | 10- Camden Schmuck
11- Magenta Hammond
12- Darrell Bleeker
Maria Larson | 25- McKenzie Koehn
Jana Maxwell |
| 2- Janie Illing
Myla Schmidt | 13- Amanda Loudenslager
14- Matt Hieb
15- Paul Miller
Pam Ricke | 26- Jada Cooper
Jacey Meier |
| 3- Laura Alderman
David Fehrs
Karsyn Neisteadt
Sharon Sonnenschein | 17- Jack Bozzell
Abigail Kanefke
Melinda Wood | 28- Kendra Beyer
Terry Boxdorfer
Rick Dierks
Olivia Schonhardt |
| 4- Brody Konz
Zoey Reiners | 18- James Gilbertson
19- Eero Larson
Theodore Martinez
Zachary Noteboom
Darlene Sopko | 29- Nadine Bornitz
Sydney Hansen
Elizabeth Martinez
Michael Mlnarik
Howard Schacht
Sharon Teunissen |
| 5- Gail Evans
Colin Kerr | 20- Dennis Bruns
Staci Noteboom | 30- Darrell Christopherson
Chase Helland
Margaret Nord
Dorothea Prouty |
| 6- Katie Bleeker
Ione Carlson
Quinn Jacobs
Lanae Larson
Eevi Prah
Abigail Stuck | 21- Ella Joffer
Angie Vikesland
22- Tessa Beyer
Norah Schmuck | 31- Hadley Reiffenberger
Ken Tucker |
| 7- Kathy Gehrels | 23- Brody Sonnenschein | |
| 8- Courtney Davidson
Kalan Meier
Maddy Peters | 24- Trent Boe
Bruce Weeldreyer | |
| 9- Braxton Danley | 25- Sully Berg
Tucker Catron
Angela Holland | |
| 10- Jan Noah
Walker Schmidt | | |

ANNIVERSARIES

- 1- Kyle & Jessica Dowling
2- Jason & Lisa Bosley
3- Ronn & Kendra Beyer
5- Bob & Marilyn Seidel
6- Don & Pat Reichert
Andy & Nicolette Schmuck

- 6- Bill & Marianne Wittrock
7- Dwane & Maxine Boxdorfer
8- Ryan & Erin Capouch
Jeff & Rita Hoffman
9- Al & Sandy Baer
Jacob & Kate Joffer
10- Dave & Sara Carson
Nathan & Anna Werdel
11- Brian & Katrina Catron
12- Brian & Jennifer Brosnahan
Jacob & Natasha Meyer
13- Matthew & Katie Demaray
Bannon & Lanae Larson
14- Jim & Myla Schmidt
17- Matt & Julie Dowling
Mike & Connie Gilbride
Steve & Brenda Gugel
19- Michael & Marie Boetel
20- Bob & Becky Bessman
22- Darrell & Debi Dowdell
27- Casey & Holli Bialas
28- Lucas & Kayla Dannenbring

*"That's why a man will leave his father and mother and will remain united with his wife, and the two will be one?" -
Matthew 19:5
GOD'S WORD
TRANSLATION*

OCTOBER CALENDAR

Tues. Oct 1

8 am Tues. Homeschool Group
4:30 pm Just For Kix
6:30 pm Card Ministry

Wed. Oct 2

7:15 am M/W Homeschool Group
6:30 pm Club 345
6:30 pm Confirmation - "Means Of Grace" - café
6:30 pm Confirmation-"Apostles' Creed"-Isaiah Rm
6:30 pm HS Connect
7 pm Adult Bible Study

Thurs. Oct 3

9 am Adult Bible Study
4:30 pm Just for Kix
7 pm Elder Meeting

Fri. Oct 4

6 pm 1st Friday Fellowship -Crocktober Potluck

Sat. Oct 5

8 am- 12:15 pm New Member Saturday Class
8:30 am Men's Bible Study
9 am Women's Retreat

Sun. Oct 6

8 am Traditional Worship
9 am New Member Class
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am Bible Studies - "
"Christian History Made Easy" - *Isaiah Rm*
11 am Contemporary Worship (*+Livestream*)
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm Confirmation -
"Ten Commandments" - Isaiah Rm

Mon. Oct 7

7:15 am M/W Homeschool Group
4:30 pm Just for Kix
6 pm Young Women's Bible Study
6:30 pm Young Married Couples Bible Study

Tues. Oct 8

8 am Tues. Homeschool Group
4:30 pm Just for Kix
6:30 pm Heart To Heart

Wed. Oct 9

7:15 am M/W Homeschool Group
9 am Lois Circle
6:30 pm Zingers
6:30 pm Middle School Connect
6:30 pm High School Connect
7 pm Adult Bible Study

Thurs. Oct 10

9 am Adult Bible Study
4:30 pm Just for Kix
6:30 pm Quilting Ministry

Fri. Oct 11

9 am - 12 noon Quilting Ministry
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm New Member Game Night

Sat. Oct 12

8:30 am Men's Bible Study
9 am Worship Team Practice

Sun. Oct 13 - Welcome New Members

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am Bible Studies - "
"Christian History Made Easy" - *Isaiah Rm*
11 am Contemporary Worship (*+Livestream*)
1:30 - 3:30 pm Confirmation - "Ten Commandments"
4:30 pm Asmus Sm Group
6:30 pm Miller Small Group

Mon. Oct 14

4:30 pm Just for Kix
6:30 pm Young Women's Bible Study

Tues. Oct 15

4:30 pm Just for Kix

Wed. Oct 16

7:15 am M/W Homeschool Group
6:30 pm Club 345
6:30 pm MS Connect
6:30 pm HS Connect
7 pm Adult Bible Study

Thurs. Oct 17

9 am Adult Bible Study
10:30 am **55 Alive**
4:30 pm Just for Kix
7 pm Church Council

Fri. Oct 18

1-4 pm Private Event - Garage
5 pm Leapley/Hoffman wedding rehearsal

Sat. Oct 19

8:30 am Men's Bible Study
9 am Worship Team Practice
4 pm Leapley/Hoffman Wedding

Sun. Oct 20 - Kindergarten Presentations

8 am Traditional Worship
9 am - 12 noon Bloodmobile @ Memorial
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am Bible Studies - "
"Christian History Made Easy" - *Isaiah Rm*
11 am Contemporary Worship (*+Livestream*)
1:30 pm - 3 pm Confirmation - Changes & Choices
5:45 pm - 7:30 pm Seving at St Francis House

Mon. Oct 21

7:15 am M/W Homeschool Group
4:30 pm Just for Kix
6 pm Young Women's Bible Study

Tues. Oct 22

8 am Tues. Homeschool Group
4:30 pm Just for Kix

Wed. Oct 23

7:15 am M/W Homeschool Group
6:30 pm Middle School Connect
6:30 pm High School Connect
7 pm Adult Bible Study

Thurs. Oct 24

9 am Adult Bible Study
4:30 pm Just for Kix
6:30 pm Quilting Ministry

Fri. Oct 25

9 am - 12 noon Quilting Ministry
LWML Vendor Fair Set Up

Sat. Oct 26

8:30 am Men's Bible Study
9 am Worship Team Practice
9 am - 2 pm LWML Vendor / Craft Fair

Sun. Oct 27 3rd Grade

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am Bible Studies - "
"Christian History Made Easy" - *Isaiah Rm*
11 am Contemporary Worship (*+Livestream*)
1:30 pm - 3 pm Confirmation - Changes & Choices

Mon. Oct 28

7:15 am M/W Homeschool Group
4:30 pm Just for Kix
6:30 pm Young Women's Bible Study
7 pm LWML Lydia Circle

Tues. Oct 29

8 am Tues. Homeschool Group
4:30 pm Just For Kix

Wed. Oct 30

7:15 am M/W Homeschool Group
5:30 pm - 8 pm Confirmation Rehearsal
6:30 pm Confirmation-"Apostles' Creed"-Isaiah Rm
6:30 pm HS Connect
7 pm Adult Bible Study

Thurs. Oct 31

9 am Adult Bible Study

UPCOMING EVENTS

UPCOMING FIRST FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP EVENTS:

Friday, October 4: Crocktober Potluck

Friday, November 1: Chili Cook-Off

(Mission Trip Fundraiser)

Saturday, December 7: Christmas Caroling

(First Saturday)

Bible Studies at Memorial

9:30 AM SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES- "CHRISTIAN HISTORY MADE EASY" - ISAIAH ROOM

THURSDAY MORNING ADULT STUDY- "Various Topics" 9:00am in the café

SATURDAY MORNINGS-Men's Group- Various Topics - 8:30am; **Adult Study**

YOUNG MARRIED SMALL GROUP- 1st Monday of each month. 6:30-8pm at Memorial. Text: Kathleen at 605-877-2954 for more info.

Wednesday Bible Study- Wednesdays at 7pm at Memorial - Current Study: "The Book Of Galatians"

Interested in small group bible study? Talk with Pastor Doug & he'll get you connected.

RightNow Media— Stream Bible Studies & Christian programming for the whole family! Email the church office for the link. info@memoriallutheran.net

Daily Devotion Opportunities:

Mustard Seed Devotions. LWML.org & click on resources; **Lutheran Hour Ministries.** lhm.org, click on News/Resources. Scroll down to Daily Devotions.

LUTHERAN WOMEN IN MISSION (LWML)

LWML is the place where each woman is welcomed and encouraged to use her unique God-given gifts as she supports global missions and serves the Lord with gladness. Our mites are based on the story of the widow's mite (Luke 21:1-4). Our Missions both national and local are paid through our Mite offerings. Our National Mission Grants featured in October are: "Sharing Christ with Women and Children in Kazakstan - Lutheran Hour Ministries; \$100,000. Expanding Gospel Outreach to Hispanics in the US - Lutheran Hour Ministries;

\$100,000. Our SD Mission Grants have not yet been recorded as paid. October 6 is LWML Sunday. We will be celebrating the way God has blessed our organization during all three services. Hope to see you there! October 12 is the Christian Life Workshop "Understanding Mass Media from a Christian Perspective" at St. John's Lutheran Church from 9am-3pm. October 26 is our Craft and Vendor Fair from 9am-2pm. Lots of creative gift ideas for everyone! We have Circle meetings during the month: the 2nd Wednesday of the month and the 4th Monday of the month. Check the bulletin for times of the meetings.

Enjoy the Fall weather and Thank God for all your blessings!

Submitted by:

Colleen Keiser, Chairman



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR LCMS-SD DISTRICT ?

Visit - <https://sddlcms.org/news-events>.

To subscribe to the LCMS - SD District newsletter, email Julie at jpjike@midco.net.

SIoux FALLS LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS! (PREsCHOOL—12TH GR.)

First Look Friday

Join us on the first Friday of the month at 9:00 AM to meet our staff and students, tour the school building to observe learning in action, receive answers to your questions, and discover the value of investing in your child's future at Sioux Falls Lutheran School. Learn more and RSVP: www.siouxfallslutheran.com/first-look-friday.

25th Anniversary of Celebrate His Gifts Gala

Join us on Saturday, November 2, for the 25th anniversary of the Celebrate His Gifts Gala (formerly known as Hearts on Fire)—a beautiful night of fellowship and fun designed to support the ministry and mission of SFLS.

New Location:

Sanford Event Barn
2510 East 54th St N
Sioux Falls, SD 57104

www.facebook.com/CelebrateHisGifts

South Dakota Educator's Conference

Join us on October 11th for the Key-note Speaker at our SD Educators' Conference. Concordia University Wisconsin faculty will be speaking at the SFLS Chapel on Friday, October 11th from 9-10 AM. The topic will be: God's TIP: Truth, Identity, and Purpose in Post-Christian America. In today's America we hear there is no truth, a person's identity is bound in their race, class & gender, and their purpose is to fight the oppressors. Learn why this has occurred and how to engage the culture with a biblical and Christ-centered approach.

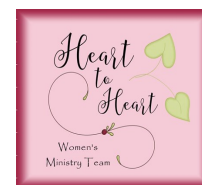
Save the Date

Join us for a United Voters Assembly Meeting at 1:30pm on Sunday, October 27, at Sioux Falls Lutheran School. Mark your calendar in order to help us meet quorum, and please keep an eye on your bulletin in the weeks ahead for additional meeting details.

Heart to Heart Ministry To Women By Women.

Heart-to-Heart is a social gathering of Christian women connecting through faith, shared life experiences, and servanthood. This low-commitment group is meant to be fun and invites you to join when it fits into your schedule! Our next meet-up will be Tues., Oct. 8 at 6:30PM in Cafe Logos to work on some craft-based service projects. We'll also round back on planning discussions for the year ahead. Ladies, please join us!

Contact Kathy Luetjen with any questions
605-414-8256.



*"Just as a body, though one,
has many parts, but all its
many parts form one
body, so it is with Christ."*
- 1 Cor. 12:12



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Thank you to all who supported the Sioux Falls Lutheran School Used Book Sale. Thanks for the donations of reading materials, bags, time, and purchasing items. We had a record amount of books and made a record amount of money for tuition assistance at the school. A grand total of \$11,284.75 was the profit from the sale. A HUGE amount of work was done all summer long in preparation for the sale by the book ladies (and a few good men). This sale would not be possible without their dedication to this project! Start reading and saving books for next year.



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Trust In The Lord

What is it that they say about the best laid plans? "The best-laid plans of mice and men oft' go awry". This phrase hits home these days. I thought I had this year all planned out...and then the opportunity to host an exchange student for the year was unexpectedly presented to our family. We weren't planning on hosting this year, but we felt God speaking to us and encouraging us to take her in this year. I'm a planner; I love to make plans, fill out a calendar, and coordinate schedules. I think it's because I like to be in control. It's easy for me to get wrapped up in all the little things in life and feel like I am in charge of making sure that everything runs smoothly. It is in these moments that God humbles me. He reminds me that He is in control. *"For I know the plans that I have for you," declares the Lord. Jeremiah 29:11*

More than once, I have argued with God and tried to make Him see how good everything would be if He would just allow my plan to happen. And more than once, God has shown me that He does know best and has plans that are even better than I could have imagined. When I give control to God, I find peace.

I want to encourage you to surrender control of your plans to God. Bring your needs, your hopes and fears, and leave them in God's care. Depend on Him to do the planning, and He will give you peace. It has only been a week since we have welcomed Liv into our family, but I am glad that we answered the call that God placed on our hearts and were open to changing our plans and trust in Him. *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5-6*

*Blessings to you in this season,
Melinda*