

"Rest"

By Pastor Aaron Asmus

Have you gotten some rest this summer? Summer has been considered by some to be a "take time to rest" season – probably due to a break in most school schedules and the fact that summer weather is more conducive to vacation travel. Yet summer can be as frantic a time as ever. We who live in the upper Midwest seem to have so few precious days that are warm, that we're usually trying to cram as many activities into our nice days as is humanly possible. Yes, even our vacations tend to be busy blurs of activity.

So, I ask you again: Have you recently gotten some rest? Perhaps this sounds out of place coming from me since at the beginning of summer we talked about very actively living our faith life at every moment and in every place (see June edition of Memorial Connection - "Faith On The Go"). Indeed, living life in Christ means continually being awake to His calling. An interesting line (possibly a hymn verse used by early Christians) is quoted by Paul to God's people in Ephesus when he encourages Christians to actively live as children of light and find out what pleases the Lord. "Wake up, O sleeper, rise from the dead!" he writes (see Eph. 5:8-14). That sounds more like God's living Word is seeking to rouse us from rest!

Yet still I ask: Have you gotten any rest lately?

Rest doesn't necessarily mean "doing nothing." Rest can refer to what we feel when a load is lifted off of us. Listen to what Jesus says to us in Matthew 11:28:

"Come to Me, all who are tired from carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest. Place My yoke over your shoulders, and learn from Me, because I am gentle and humble. Then you will find rest for yourselves because My yoke is easy and my burden is light." (God's Word)*

Jesus invites us to unload our strivings, our concerns, our burdens, into His capable hands. Allow Him to do the heavy lifting. Let Him relieve you of the heavy pressure you feel from the world around you - or that you possibly place on yourself. A Bible commentator (Richard Lenski) suggested that these burdens He invites us to unload include suffering, unrest, trouble, fear, grief, pain, an evil conscience, tragedy – anything that has us longing for comfort and relief. It includes the labor of trying to keep up our reputation, keep our good name clear, and trying to find favor with other people and with God. Lenski notes that people will find themselves fully exhausted - spiritually and physically – if they fail to recognize Jesus as the One who releases us from our burden

Do you find yourself overwhelmed by some heavy burdens? Jesus invites you to entrust them to Him. Don't live as if you are your own rescuer. Share your concerns with the Lord in prayer. Talk with others who've been unburdened by Jesus – set free by Him to serve one another as we journey together. Be connected to the Lord of Life who has carried your burden all the way to the cross and assures You of His compassionate forgiveness.

I pray you're finding rest, both spiritually and physically. I pray you're being refreshed and renewed in our Lord – not just for the summer months, but always and forever!

Pastor Aaron

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"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, ww.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.

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OFFERING SUMMARY - 2024

Giving thru June \$ Not Avail. July giving: \$ 62,559
Expenses thru June \$ Not Avail. Monthly Budgeted Need: \$ 98,165

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.

"REACHING BEYOND" OFFERING: Thanks to all for the generous contributions that allowed us to pay off the building loan sooner than expected. We still have a few folks who's giving includes "Reaching Beyond." If you currently have an electronic contribution designated for "Reaching Beyond," please go into your giving profile on the Vanco site and remove or redesignate those funds. Any contributions that remain designated "Reaching Beyond," will go into the general giving fund and recorded on your giving statement as "General" If you need assistance, or have questions, please call the church office.

Memorial Wish List

- 1. Funding for high school quilts (\$50/quilt
- 2. Funding for Faith Chests (\$26 ea)
- 3. Worship Center Projectors
- 4.Microphones

- 5. Lawn/Outdoor Storage Shed Replacement
- 6. Parking Lot Refinish
- 7. Garbage Area Fence
- 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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GIVING, CONTACTS, ETC



"Connecting To Jesus And You"



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.

ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGER POSITION

After 21 years of committed service to Memorial, Kathy Holdorf is retiring at the end of September from her Administrative Manager position. The Elders, Church Council, and Staff of Memorial are looking into options to cover Kathy's current responsibilities. If anyone is interested in filling either the full-time Administrative Manager position or a part-time clerical staff position, please contact Kasey Danley, Joel Quist, or Craig Gehrels.



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 jpike@midco.net.

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>UPCOMING FIRST FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP</u> EVENTS:

Friday, August 9 - Canaries Baseball game (Please note-This is the 2nd Friday in August. The Canaries do not have a home game on the First Friday.)

News from the Garage:

"For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding."- Prov. 2:6 It has been an absolute JOY to watch Kiah serve Christ and his people this summer. Sunday I had the pleasure of listening in as she and Alex Brosnahan and Sydney Hanson led Bible Study for our middle and high school students. Ironically, the study pointed out how the disciples grew and matured in their faith—noting that they were fearful of death in the boat with Jesus but faced it bravely after He had risen. Raising up our students in faith and means that we get to watch them mature and grow in their understanding of Scripture, but also in their trust and daily walk as well. I pray that God gives you the opportunity to see how He is growing and maturing your students to continue walking faithfully and sharing Him with others.

Move-Up Day!

Move-up day for new 6th graders: Sunday, September 8th. Move-up day for new freshman: Wednesday, September 4th.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." - Rom. 15:13

August 14th HS & MS Connect

We're going to combine HS and MS Connect in August and play Grog! We're also going to celebrate and thank Kiah for her service this summer with a sendoff. Our plan is to adjust the time slightly to accommodate for a darker building and more fun playing.

National Youth Gathering "Memorial" Registration

If your 8th-12th grader is planning on attending NYG, please register through our google form (link in email). This helps me best plan out our budget and transportation needs. Thank you! Official gathering registration will come out in September.

9:20 Sunday Bible Study (For 6th-12th gr) Based off Nehemiah 9:20, students are welcome to join us for Bible Study every Sunday morning.

• We're continuing our Guys/Girls studies. The guys are studying "Scarred for Good" and the girls are studying "Undistracted". Did I mention they have donuts every week!?

NO BIBLE STUDY September 1st-Worship together at 9:30am.

STUDENT CONNECT

High School Connect (9th-12th gr) meets every Wednesday, starting at 6:30pm. Friends are always welcome! Special dates to remember this summer: Date Change: HS Connect August 14th from 8-10pm

Middle School Connect (6th-8th grade) August 14th from 8-10pm

CONFIRMATION

No classes this summer. Pickup completed work in the office and keep working on Worship Reflections!

Parent/Student Orientation Meeting on Aug. 25th:

6th Graders/Parents: 1:30pm in Garage 7th-8th Graders/Parents: 2:30pm in Garage New Schedule available at the Aug. meeting

Important Dates

- Bible Study Sundays at 9:30am
- High School Connect August 14th, 8-10pm
- Middle School Connect August 14th, 8-10pm
- Confirmation classes no classes during the summer!
- Confirmation Parent Meeting August 25th

YOUTH & CHILDREN CONNECTIONS!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY 500

During SS this summer we've been looking at the Apostles Creed and Bible stories that reinforce the creed and its meanings. This month we will be focusing on the Holy Spirit and how He works in us and for us. Read it, ponder it and think of what the Spirit does in you.

THIRD ARTICLE OF THE APOSTLES CREED AND IT'S MEANING

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

What does this mean? I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to Him; but the Holy Spirit has called me by the Gospel, enlightened me with His gifts, sanctified and kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies the whole Christian church on earth, and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith. In this Christian church He daily and richly forgives all my sins and the sins of all believers. On the Last Day He will raise me and all the dead, and give eternal life to me and all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

SAVE THE DATES:

Fall SS—Begins Sept. 8th Club 345— (3rd, 4th & 5th Graders) Begins Sept. 4th @ 6:30-8 PM

Zingers—(1st & 2nd Graders) Begins Sept. 11th @ 6:30-8pm

3rd Grade Bible Give-Away—Sunday, Sept. 29th Kindergarten Bible Give-Away-Sunday, Oct. 20th

SUMMER GaGa Ball Fun Nights! Wednesday, August 7th @ 6:30-8 PM

Calling new 1st graders up to new 6th graders to come play some GaGa Ball & more! Parents, you are more than welcome to stay and play too! Come find out what GaGa ball is all about!

"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

Memorial VBS-Camp Rock was <u>AWESOME!</u>

We had around 100 kiddos attend each night. We also had 50+ youth and adults helping out! I cannot say enough about our volunteers who helped plan, lead,



guide, sing, dance, create, feed and most importantly, share Jesus with the kids. Jesus is our Rock and this week we shared that with all the kids and families that participated in Camp Rock. We looked at the Wise & Foolish Builder and how we build our lives on the Rock of Jesus. We looked at Moses and the 10 Commandments and how God used those stone tablets to quide us and be in relationship with Him and others. Finally, we looked at the stone at the tomb.... Jesus died and rose for us and we give Him thanks for His saving love. Thank you to all that helped with supplies, offering project for flood relief at Trinity Lutheran in Hawarden, IA. We also collected cereal for the food pantry here at Memorial and Feeding SD.



August will be "Stock the Food Bank" at Memorial. Please bring in any non-perishable food supplies you'd like during the month to help stock our shelves and provide extra food security to anyone in need. August will be a start to keeping the Food Bank stocked throughout the year. Please contact Connie Mlnarik, Mary Andresen, or Dan Amert with any questions.

There will be a "Noisy Offering" coming in August to help provide quarters & laundry soap for our Laundry Nights in the near future. Watch the video screens and bulletins for further updates. If you want to provide a donation before the "Noisy Offering" please contact Kathy in the church office.

The Outreach Committee will be starting a new outreach. The plan is for the Outreach Committee to coordinate giving a small, personal birthday cake when a member reaches milestone birthdays such as 60, 70, 80, etc. Providing a personal outreach from the church to our members on these special

birthdays along with thanking them for being a member of Memorial Lutheran Church. If you are interested in helping with the Birthday Cakes for Members outreach, please feel free to contact Cathy Miller or anyone on the Outreach Committee.

The Outreach Committee is looking for ideas for new outreach activities for us to share the Word of Jesus Christ to our neighbors and residents, front next door to across the Earth. If you have any suggestions or ideas for new or expanded outreach ideas, please feel free to contact the Outreach Committee or you may contact me at danamert@yahoo.com.

Upcoming events:

- August 9th First Friday event with the Sioux Falls Canaries v. Milwaukee Milkmen.
- August 19th Serving a meal at the St. Francis House in Sioux Falls (5:45 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.)
- September 5th Laundry Night at Northwest Laundry in Sioux Falls (5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.).

First Friday Fellowship



"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

- Matthew 18:20

MISSION & MINISTRY CONNECTIONS!

AREA LCMS AND DISTRICT EVENTS OPEN TO ALL:



FAITH LUTHERAN SUMMER EVENT -

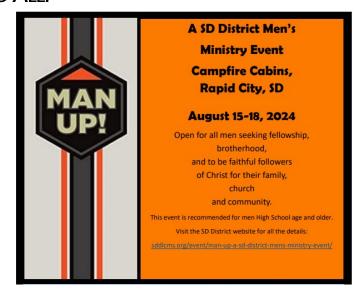
ALL ARE INVITED

(601 N Cliff Ave, Sioux Falls)

Hey! Does your summer schedule allow for some daytime pickleball play or exercise?

Currently we play indoor pickleball 10 -11:30 AM on Wednesdays in the CLC @ Faith Lutheran and would really love to grow this group!

All levels of adult players who are interested in recreational play, exercise and fun are welcome. Come and bring a friend!



"Man Up"-A SD District Men's Ministry Event

Thursday, August 15 - Sunday, August 18

Visit https://sddlcms.org and click on News & Events for more info and to register for this event.

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Serving In August

Serving Communion:

Aug 4: 8:00 am - Dan Peters, Kasey Danley

9:30 am - Dan Amert, Ken Wickre, Don Becker, Craig Gehrels

11:00 am – Darold Danley, Paul Wood, Bryce Gammeter, Mike Gilbride

Aug 11 8:00 am - Larry Noah, Rich Ulses

9:30 am - Joel Bialas, Ken Tucker, Rick Dierks, Tim Miller

11:00 am – Al Herrig, Bill Cooper, Joel Shaver, Mike Mlnarik

Aug 18: 8:00 am - Dennis O'Neill, Dan Peters

9:30 am - Bob Seidel, Don Becker, Dan Currier, Terry Conrad

11:00 am – Darold Danley, Paul Wood, Bryce Gammeter, Mike Gilbride

Aug 25: 8:00 am - Kasey Danley, Rocky Boer

9:30 am - Joel Bialas, Dan Currier, Rick Dierks, Alan Carlson

11:00 am -Al Herrig, Bill Cooper, Joel Shaver, Mike Mlnarik

August Acolytes:

Aug 4 - 8:00 am - Makayla Harty

11:00 am - Eero Larson

Aug 11 - 8:00 am - Makayla Harty 11:00 am - Sophie Wood

Aug 18 - 8:00 am - Troy Miller

11:00 am - Elsie Slavens **Aug 25 -** 8:00 am - Tristen Miller

11:00 am - Bode Larson

August Accompanists:

(Worship Team - all 11 am Services)

Aug 4 - 8:00 am - Peggy Baney 9:30 am - Kristi Prouty

u**g 11 -** 8:00 am - Joy Johansen 9:30 am - Kristi Prouty

aug 18 - 8:00 am - Jan Noah 9:30 am - Kristi Prouty

Aug 25 - 8:00 am - Peggy Baney 9:30 am - Kristi Proutu

August Sunday Ushers

8:00 am - Bhrett Baney, Jay Prouty, Bruce Weeldreyer, Matt Hieb, Rich Hartmann

9:30 am - Jason Bosley, Joel Quist, Mark Schoeneman 11:00 am - Jerome Heyd, Bannon Larson, Kim Arends

August Lau Readers:

Aug 4 - 8:00 am - Dan Peters

9:30 am - Bruce Olson 11:00 am - OPEN

ug 11 - 8:00 am - Larry Noah 9:30 am - Bob Seidel

11:00 am - Don Reichert

Aug 18 - 8:00 am - OPEN 9:30 am - Ken Wickre

11:00 am - Shirley Miller **Aug 25** - 8:00 am - Rose Foster

9:30 am - Dan Erickson 11:00 am - Breck Miller

Power Point Operators:

Aug 4 - 8:00 am - Troy Miller 9:30 am - Pete Illing 11:00 am - Jacob Richards

> - 8:00 am - Seth Peters 9:30 am - Bruce Olson 11:00 am - Shirley Miller

Aug 18 - 8:00 am - OPEN

9:30 am - Pete Illing 11:00 am - Elijah Richards

Aug 25 - 8:00 am - Troy Miller 9:30 am - Bruce Olson 11:00 am - Mike Gilbride



Connecting Through Serving

August Birthdays & Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

- 1- Cole Heyd Nathan Kander Debra Weeldreyer
- 2- Cynthia Hansen Grant Jackson Chrissy Ling
- 3- Nancy Bialas
- 4- Lynna Christensen Lydia Slavens
- 5- Bhrett Baney Carolyn Reitz Kelly Ricke
- 6- Emmie Holland Heidi Jerke Colleen Johnson
- 7- Jessica Buer Donna Hartmann Hudson Schmuck Toni Stansbury-Meyer
- 9- Sheila Boyens Debra Stuck
- 10- Allie Johnston Leesa Olander
- 11- Daniel Stommes
- 12- Sydney Determan Theodore Gundvaldson

- 12- Ashley Sandeen
- 13- Courtney Currier Erin Griebel Gracie Wood
- 14- Keisha Dowdell Cari Stein
- 16- Allen Hulzebos
- 17- Brendan Hansen Parker McNamara LeRoy Zafft
- 19- Jason Schroeder
- 20- Wyatt Davidson Brooklynn Gross Jeff Nelson
- 21- Joy Johansen
- 22- Jennifer Henry Jenn Neisteadt
- 23- Nathan Bleeker Cole Knudtson Susie Richards
- 24- Chris Andresen Wendy Lampe
- 25- Natasha Meyer Henry Neugebauer Brenda Schmidt Andy Schmuck
- 26- Greg Harder

- 27- Jaxon Brock Mara Dahmen Travis Graves Shirley Miller Jeremy Richards
- 28- John Duprey Gloriann Kueter Andaley Miller Brandon Schmid Anna Werdel
- 29- Jim Amen Dan Erickson
- 30- Ryan Ling Wayne Steensma
- 31- Lindie Nord

ANNIVERSARIES

- John & Kim Duprey
 Robb & Dawn Grotewold
 Jered & Angela Holland
- 3 Matthew & Katie Braden Matt & Gina Hieb
- 4- Breck & Lyndsey Miller
- 5- Tyler & Joslyn Durfee Jeremy & Susie Richards
- 6 Josh & Kathryn Mlnarik
- 7 Earl & Janet Hanson

- 7- John & Georgia Raap
- Peter & Ellie Nord
 Aaron & Kathleen Tennyson
- 10– Merlin & Lisa Knutson
- 11- John & Shirley Johannsen
- 12– Mark & Laura Gibbs Bernie & Karen Moore
- 13– Kevin & Wendy Lampe Mike & Tanya Lindsey
- 14— Craig & Kathy Gehrels Bill & Shelley Miller Jim & Lindie Nord Doug & June Schaefers
- 15- Gregg & Kris Oehlerts
- 16-Tom & Kristie Jacobson
- 18- Corey & Liz Christensen
- 19- Kelby & Heidi Krabbenhoft
- 21- Tim & Toni Dahmen
- 22- Chad & Amy Bozzell
- 23- Dustin & Ashley Larson David & Sandra Witte
- 24- Brad & Mary Hanisch
- 27- Travis & Shauna Hamilton
- 29- Bob & Christa Kerr Russ & Shanna Konz
- 30- Larry & Kristie Hoyme
- 31- Steve & Stacy VanWesten

"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

AUGUST CALENDAR

Thurs., Aug 1

9 am Private Meeting - Café 9 am Bible Study - Isaiah Room 7 pm Elder's Meeting

Fri. Aug 2

9am Private Meeting - Café

Sat, Aug 3

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

Sun, Aug 4

8 am Traditional Worship 9:30 am Blended Worship 9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3–12 gr) 9:30 am Bible Studies -

"If You Walk On Water, You Have To Get Out Of The Boat" - Isaiah Rm

11 am Contemporary Worship / +Livestream/

Mon, Aug 5 - No Events Scheduled

Tues., Aug 6 - No Events Scheduled

Wed.. Aug 7

8am -6p Sioux Falls Lutheran Book Sale 6:30 pm GAGA Ball 7 pm Adult Bible Study

Thurs., Aua 8

8am –6p Sioux Falls Lutheran Book Sale 9 am Adult Bible Study 6:30 pm Quilting Ministry

Fri. Aua 9

8am - 6p Sioux Falls Lutheran Book Sale

9 am - 12 noon Quilting Ministry 5pm First Friday Fellowship at the Canaries Games

Sat Aug 10

8am - 1p Sioux Falls Lutheran Book Sale

8 am Hagar Bible Study - Isaiah Rm 8:30 am Men's Bible Study 9 am Worship Team Practice Sun. Aua 11

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"If You Want To Walk On Water" - Isaiah Rm 11 am Contemporary Worship / +Livestream/ 4:30p Asmus Small Group

Mon, Aug 12 - No Events Scheduled

Tues., Aug 13

6:30 pm Heart To Heart Pot Luck Picnic @ Falls Park

Wed. Aug 14

7 pm Adult Bible Study 8 pm - 10 pm Middle School/High School Connect

Thurs... Aug 15

9 am Adult Bible Study 10:30 am *55 Alive*

<u>Fri., Aug 16</u>

6 pm Private Meeting - Garage Area

Sat, Aug 17

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

Sun, Aug 18

8 am Traditional Worship 9:30 am Blended Worship 9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3– 12 gr) 9:30 am Bible Studies - **"Miracles Of Jesus"** - *Isaiah Rm* 11 am Contemporary Worship / *+Livestream*/ 5:45p - 7:30p Serving at St Francis House

Mon. Aug 19 - No Events Scheduled

Tues.. Aug 20

7p Church Council Meeting

Wed. Aug 21

7 pm Adult Bible Study

Thurs., Aug 22

9 am Adult Bible Study - Isaiah Room 6 pm Private Meeting - Garage area 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm Quilting Ministry

<u>Fri. Aug 23</u>

9 am - 12 noon Quilting Ministry

Sat. Aug 24

8 am Hagar Bible Study 8:30 am Men's Bible Study 9 am Worship Team Practice 9:30 am Private Party - Garage Area

Sun, Aug 25

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3– 12 gr)
9:30 am Sible Studies - "Miracles Of Jesus" - Isaiah Rm
11 am Contemporary Worship / +Livestream/
1:30 pm 6th Gr Parent Meeting
2:30 pm 7th-8th Grade Parent Meeting
4:30 pm Asmus Small Group

Mon. Aug 26 - No Events Scheduled

Tues., Aug 27

5 pm - 7 pm Private Event - Garage Area

Wed.. Aug 28

6:30 pm High School Connect 7 pm Adult Bible Study

Thurs., Aug 29

9 am Adult Bible Study

Fri, Aug 30 - No Events Scheduled

Sat. Aug 31

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

Looking to find out what's happening at Memorial? Visit the online calendar at www.memoriallutheran.net.

Bible Studies at Memorial

9:30 AM SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES -

"IF YOU WANT TO WALK ON WATER, YOU HAVE TO GET OUT OF THE BOAT" - ISAIAH RM
"THE MIRACLES OF JESUS" - ISAIAH ROOM - BEGINS AUGUST 18TH

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

<u>SATURDAY MORNINGS</u>-Men's Group - Various Topics - 8:30am; Adult Study - The Study of "Hagar" - 8am (Watch for dates.)

<u>YOUNG MARRIED SMALL GROUP</u> - 1st Monday of each month. 6:30-8pm at Memorial. Text: Kathleen at 605-877-2954 for more info. (We take a break for the summer)

Wednesday Bible Study - Wednesdays at 7pm at Memorial.

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

<u>RightNow Media</u>—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. Go to LWML.org & click on resources; **Lutheran Hour Ministries.** Go to Ihm.org, click on News/Resources. Scroll down to Daily Devotions.



"Connecting To Jesus And You!"

"Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the Word about Christ."

- Romans 10:17

LUTHERAN IN WOMEN (LWML)

The LWML is open to every woman at Memorial Lutheran Church. We meet monthly starting in September and going through May. We do take a summer break for a few months but that doesn't mean that our work is done. We continue to serve our congregation and our community.

Missions continue to be a big emphasis of our community – locally and nationally. Our National Mission Grants featured for August: Enhancement of Deaf Ministry and Outreach – Ephphatha_Lutheran Mission Society - \$47,000. This Mission Society is to establish Lutheran deaf congregations, create and gather educational resources specifically suited for the deaf. This grant will enable ELMS to expand its Church

Interpreter Training Academy to annual satellite programs in Phoenix, Arizona, Texas, and Atlanta, GA. Hopefully this will expand to more than 100 additional ASL interpreters. Another featured Grant is Nurture Faith in the Aging with Biblical Resources - Lutheran Ministries Media – Worship Anew - \$100,000. Worship Anew, a recognized Service Organization (RSO) of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod develops and distributes biblical, Christ -centered resources to thousands of people across the United States. With this grant, Worship Anew will expand the Broadcaster to a monthly magazine which will include feature articles addressing the physical mental, and spiritual needs of aging adults, a monthly Bible study, activity pages and Bible stories to help in sharing their faith with children and grandchildren.

For our "Kick-off" meeting in September,

we are looking for a service project that we can all be a part of. Maybe helping at the Furniture Mission. If you have any ideas, please let me know! We'll be busy planning our Craft & Vendor Show on October 12. Keep posted for further information! We will also be celebrating LWML Sunday in October.

August is a busy month with county fairs, gearing up for school and getting ready to come back to Sunday School and Bible Classes. We can't forget to give our thanks to our Lord for all the gifts He has bestowed upon us as we run around doing our tasks.

God bless you! Colleen Keiser, President



SIOUX FALLS LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS! (PRESCHOOL-12TH GR.)

Join Our Team!

"Family" is one of the most common words our students and parents use to describe the Sioux Falls Lutheran School community. As a result, our faculty and staff gain a phenomenal extended family when they choose to serve as a Christian educator at SFLS. Want in on this one-of-akind community? Check out our openings for the 2024-25 school year at www.siouxfallslutheran.com/careers.

Dr. Vaughn and JoAnn Meyer Memorial Golf Tournament

Join us on Wed. Aug. 7, at Bakker Crossing Championship Golf Course for our annual golf tournament. This year, we're bringing a fun new element to the tournament by incorporating a Hawaiian theme: Luau on the Green. In addition to traditional prizes

for achievements like the longest drive, theme-related prizes will be distributed for achievements like the best dressed team. Learn more and register your team online at https://bit.ly/sfls-golf-tournament-2024.

Annual Used Book Sale

Join us at Memorial Lutheran Church Aug. 7-10 for our annual used book sale! Hours are Wed.-Fri. from 8:00am-6:00pm and Sat. from 8:00am-1:00pm. The \$5 Bag Sale takes place on Friday and Saturday. See you there!



Sioux Falls Lutheran Annual Book Sale August 7-10, 2024



8:00-6:00 Wednesday - Friday; 8:00-1:00 Saturday Bag Sale on Friday and Saturday \$5 per bag All proceeds support the Tuition Assistance Fund at SFLS.

Donations now being taken at Memorial Lutheran Church and at Sioux Falls Lutheran School. Put them in the canvas cart located in the front entrance at the church or in the boxes at the school. **We need:** Puzzles, Board Games, Records, CD's. DVD's, Sheet Music, Music Books, Cook Books, Vintage Books, Text Books, DIY Books, Non-fiction Books, Fiction Books, Comic Books, Little Kid Board Books, Children's Books, Poetry Books, Religious Books, Coloring Books, Any kind of book. **Please: NO ENCYCLOPEDIAS.** If you have questions, please contact Peggy Baney at 605-759-8424.

Heart to Heart Ministry To Women By Women.

Ministry To Women By Women

The Heart to Heart ministry team meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month. We do service projects and lots of fun things. If you've never joined us, we love seeing new people!

Heart to Heart will be starting the year off with our annual picnic at Falls Park on Tuesday, August 13th at 6:30pm. Details will be in our Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/groups/757344871271725

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."



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SUMMER!!

As summer draws to a close, we say goodbye to the sunny days and warm, lazy nights. Though the tans will fade, the memories that we have made will last forever. My family was blessed to travel to Spain in July. We have hosted exchange students in previous years (a sister and her brother) and after years of planning, our family boarded the plane and flew to Barcelona to visit them. Every moment was an adventure, from exploring the landmarks in Barcelona and visiting the beaches of Mallorca to savoring unfamiliar foods and embracing novel experiences. Each moment has now become a cherished memory and reminds me of the importance of appreciating the here and now.

This summer has also been filled with memories that are not quite as exotic. Watching my daughter play softball, rocking out to VBS songs with my kids in the van after an exciting evening of VBS, and sitting around a campfire enjoying s'mores. "To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven." Ecclesiastes 3:1 Embrace every moment in your life, trusting in God's timing and purpose and His plan for every season of our lives.

Blessings to you in this season, Melinda

