



MEMORIAL
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"Connecting To Jesus And You!"

Connection

September 2024

"What Do You Expect?"

By Pastor Doug Slavens

I love this time of year. Not the change in seasons, because that hasn't really started yet. No, I'm talking about the return of the school year. It's a new beginning of sorts, a fresh start...and it happens every year. My whole family, has found themselves thrust back into a routine of new schedules, new teachers, and new homework.

And each year, we as parents, come to this time of year with anticipation. We build excitement, we prepare them to face this new routine. And one way we do this is with a well known tradition called "back to school" shopping.

As a child this was the most hated and yet exciting time of the year. But, this small, seemingly invisible ritual is important, because it sparks expectation. The smell of new notebooks and fresh pencils, the feel of an unused backpack. The way the light reflected off of a brand new protractor. (Just kidding) I don't even know what a protractor is. My point is, this tradition is important when we have kids. Because, it's so much more than just making sure the supply list is checked off. It's setting the expectation for a new future that is somewhat unknown.

This isn't just true for students starting school. In many ways, we all start new and unknown things throughout life. We all face new routines and new beginnings that send us venturing beyond what is familiar.

So let me ask you...What are your expectations?

You probably have a list of things that need to get done today, tomorrow, and beyond. Appointments that need to be kept, places to be. As you go about doing these things, however, what do you expect will happen? Will things go well? Will things fall apart? Most of us would say: "Well, I hope things go well!"

Expecting, however, is different than hoping. Hoping can have the connotation that says, I can't control anything so "I hope" things will go well.

Expectation has more to do with choice. You can choose to expect good things to happen or bad things to happen. And even when bad things do happen, you can choose to expect some newness on the other side of whatever occurred.

Expectation is, therefore, an act of faith. "A man's heart plans his way, but the Lord directs his steps and makes them sure" (Prov. 16:9) I love this verse. I have found so much comfort in the truth that, whether I recognize it or not, I have a loving creator of the universe that guides my steps. No matter what I do, He already knows what the future holds...and it is good. Because God is good...That is what you can expect.

Given how much God values you, shouldn't you set your expectations accordingly?

Blessings,

Pastor Doug

"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.memorillutheran.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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UPCOMING EVENTS

UPCOMING FIRST FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP EVENTS:

Friday, September 6: Yard Games/S'mores at Memorial

Friday, October 4: Crocktober Potluck

Friday, November 1: Bunco Night



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.

OFFERING SUMMARY - 2024

Giving thru July	\$ 652,607	August giving:	\$ 55,086
Expenses thru July	\$ 621,158	Monthly Budgeted Need:	\$ 98,165
Difference	+ \$ 31,449		

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

GIVING, CONTACTS, ETC

Welcome!

OFFICE ADMIN UPDATE:

With the retirement of Kathy at the end of September, we welcome Cole Heyd to full-time at Memorial. Cole will continue to work with the Tech Ministry at Memorial and also take on many of the Administrative Responsibilities. We also welcome Melinda Wood to an extended schedule. Melinda will continue as Director of Ministry Involvement as well as taking on some of the Administrative Responsibilities.

We are excited to have Cole & Melinda working together, using their gifts to help support the Ministries of Memorial.



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Jesus And You"*

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.



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.

People To Contact:

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Melinda Wood --Dir. of Ministry Involvement
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Cole Heyd - Worship Tech Director
tech@memoriallutheran.net

Kathy Holdorf-605-334-7133 - Administrative Manager
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SFLS School Board

Yvette Lafrentz & Sarah Swingdorf

Organists/Accompanists:

Peggy Baney Joy Johansen Jan Noah
Kristi Prouty

Church Council

Ken Tucker, President
Jason Henry, Vice. Pres.
Michelle Knappe, Secretary
Bart Viss, Treasurer
Larry Miller, Financial Sec.
Colleen Keiser, LWML
Dan Amert, Outreach
Casey Bialas, Trustee

Elders:

Bhrett Baney, Alan Carlson, Kasey Danley,
Craig Gehrels, Rich Hartmann, Dennis O'Neill,
Jim Schmidt, Andy Schmuck, Joel Quist

NEWS FROM THE GARAGE:

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

If you just take out verse 17 it reads, "pray without ceasing", which is great by itself, but with the other verses it really calls us to change the way we look at our trials and difficulties. Our trials should not keep us from rejoicing or giving thanks to God. By keeping my eyes focused on my eternal salvation and seeing God's loving hand in my daily life, I'm building resilience in the face of those challenging days. I'm praying that God guides you in the same.

NO BIBLE STUDY, SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 1ST - we encourage our students to Worship with their families!

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING planning is underway. Students interested in attending should have signed up on my google form. I'll be sending out Gathering registration forms the beginning of September, they will be due the beginning of October with \$100 deposit.

Fall Kick-Off September 8th

at 9:30am: 6th-12th grade students can join us for Bible Study. Doors open at 9:10am with donuts, ping pong, air hockey, basketball arcade, music and more! We'll open with a game and praise music at 9:30am every Sunday! We're using Hyfi curriculum through Lifeway this year, our studies will revolve around being known by God.

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.

"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.

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 begin the week of August 27th. 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.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Bible Study - Sundays at 9:30am
- No Bible Study - September 1st
- High School Connect - Wednesdays starting Sept 4th at 6:30pm
- Middle School Connect - September 11th and 25th

YOUTH & CHILDREN CONNECTIONS!

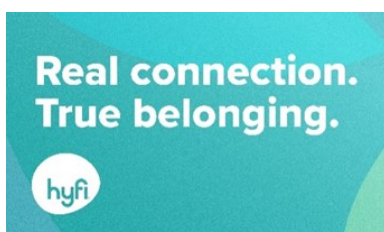
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We are starting something NEW at Memorial Lutheran. On **Sunday, Sept. 8th** we will launch Hyfi - a new curriculum that is all about real connection and true belonging. Each week kids will connect with God and find belonging with one another as we engage with the Bible, share the gospel loud and clear, discover together, and have a ton of fun!



REGISTER FOR SS!!

Scan the QR Code or use this link
<https://forms.gle/iYaw284th8yqTH3K8>



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 from 6:30-8 PM.



Zingers

1st & 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?

Third Grade Bible Presentations

On **Sunday, September 29th** all third-grade students will be presented with a Bible from Memorial. This will be a special time for the students and their parents to receive this teaching tool during the early and late worship services on Sunday morning. **During the SS hour (9:20-10:30am), the parents will attend a special class with their child on ways to use the Bible in the home.**



Acolytes

Acolytes are young members (new 4th, 5th, & 6th Graders) of the congregation who assist with the worship services by lighting and extinguishing the candles, and other worship duties as needed. We use acolytes at the 8am & 11am Worship and at special services like Advent, Lent, Christmas. If you are a 4th 5th or 6th grader and would like help please let Liz know by **Sept 29th**. Schedule will be emailed out and in newsletters. See Liz for more information. Email children@memoriallutheran.net or text #605-759-4782

"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



August is "School Supplies Drive" to help schools in Northwest Iowa affected by the flooding in June (Hawarden, Rock Rapids, Rock Valley, and Spencer) with additional school supplies. We have the canvas cart in the vestibule to bring any items you'd like to provide. The school supplies drive will be going on until September 8th.

After that, September will now 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 who worships at or visits Memorial. Please contact Corrine Mlnarik, Mary Andresen, or I with any questions.

The Outreach Committee will be connecting with 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 Dan Amert with any suggestions.

Upcoming events:

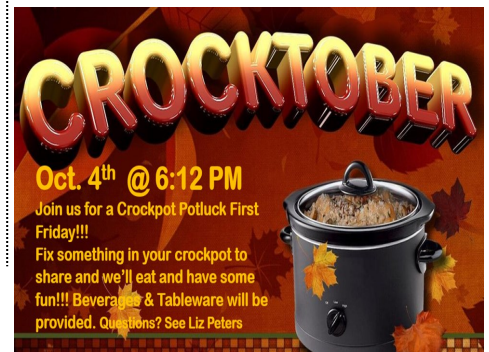
- September 5th – Laundry Night at Northwest Laundry in Sioux Falls (5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.).
- September 6th – First Friday at Memorial – Outdoor Games and S'mores.
- September 15th – Serving a meal at the St. Francis House in Sioux Falls (5:45 pm – 7:30 pm)

First Friday Fellowship

Join us at Memorial for an evening of fun & fellowship with yard games, s'mores, and laughter!

Friday, September 6

6:30pm-8:30pm



MISSION & MINISTRY CONNECTIONS!

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, September 14, October 12 and November 9 starting at 1 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 info regarding this Choir.

*"Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness; come before him
with joyful songs. Know that the Lord is God."*

– Ps. 100a

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

– Matthew 18:20



DO YOU HAVE A HEART FOR SERVING OTHERS? DO YOU ENJOY DEMOLITION AND CONSTRUCTION?

We are putting together a mission team to serve alongside LCMS missionaries in **Jamaica**.

Come learn more about this opportunity on Tuesday, September 17 at 7:00pm.

Melinda Wood is leading this team and available to answer any questions that you may have. You can email her at getinvolved@memoriallutheran.net or call her at 605-929-6708.

Serving In September

Serving Communion:

Sept 1: 9:30 am - Jay Prouty, Rocky Boer, Ken Wickre, Mike Mlnarik

Sept 8: 8:00 am - Dennis O'Neill, Bhrett Baney
9:30 am - Dan Amert, Don Becker, Mark Schoeneman, Tim Miller
11:00 am - Andy Schmuck, Darold Danley, Joel Shaver, Bryce Gammeter

Sept 15: 8:00 am - Jay Prouty, Kasey Danley
9:30 am - Dan Amert, Ken Tucker, Rick Dierks, Craig Gehrels
11:00 am - Al Herrig, Bill Cooper, Darold Danley, Mike Mlnarik

Sept 22: 8:00 am - Jay Prouty, Rich Hartmann
9:30 am - Joel Bialas, Dan Currier, Mark Schoeneman, Tim Miller
11:00 am - Al Herrig, Joel Shaver, Bryce Gammeter, Mike Mlnarik

Sept 29: 8:00 am - Larry Noah, Rocky Boer
9:30 am - Joel Bialas, Don Becker, Ken Wickre, Craig Gehrels
11:00 am - Bill Cooper, Darold Danley, Bryce Gammeter, Mike Mlnarik

September Acolytes:

Sept 1 - 9:30 am - Elijah Richards

Sept 8 - 8:00 am - Cora Johansen
11:00 am - Eero Larson

Sept 15 - 8:00 am - Brianna Danley
11:00 am - Sophie Wood

Sept 22 - 8:00 am - Makayla Harty
11:00 am - Elsie Slavens

Sept 29 - 8:00 am - Makayla Harty
11:00 am - Bode Larson

September Accompanists:

(Worship Team - all 11 am Services)

Sept 1 - 9:30 am - Peggy Baney

Sept 8 - 8:00 am - Joy Johansen
9:30 am - Kristi Prouty

Sept 15 - 8:00 am - Peggy Baney
9:30 am - Kristi Prouty

Sept 22 - 8:00 am - Joy Johansen
9:30 am - Kristi Prouty

Sept 29 - 8:00 am - Peggy Baney
9:30 am - Kristi Prouty

September Sunday Ushers

8:00 am - Doug Foster, Tom Kenyon, LeRoy Zafft, Rich Ulses, Dan Peters

9:30 am - Bart Viss, Erik Helland, Kyle Loudenslager

11:00 am - Paul Wood, Noah Wood, Mark Bridges

September Lay Readers:

Sept 1 - 9:30 am - Ken Wickre

Sept 8 - 8:00 am - Jay Prouty
9:30 am - Nadine Bornitz
11:00 am - Chris Andresen

Sept 15 - 8:00 am - Larry Noah
9:30 am - Luke Hamann
11:00 am - Cindy Hyronemus

Sept 22 - **8:00 am - OPEN**
9:30 am - Dan Erickson
11:00 am - Don Reichert

Sept 29 - 8:00 am - Rose Foster
9:30 am - Janet Borchard
11:00 am - Paul Luetjen

Power Point Operators:

Sept 1 - 9:30 am - OPEN

Sept 8 - 8:00 am - Troy Miller
9:30 am - Pete Illing
11:00 am - Mike Gilbride

Sept 15 - 8:00 am - Seth Peters
9:30 am - Bruce Olson
11:00 am - Henry Slavens

Sept 22 - 8:00 am - Charlie Peters
/Devyn Johansen
9:30 am - Pete Illing
11:00 am - Elijah Richards

Sept 29 - 8:00 am - Troy Miller
9:30 am - Bruce Olson
11:00 am - Shirley Miller

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

September Birthdays & Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

1- Leslee Gundvaldson	11- Ariel Irvin	21- Nolan Heiman
Jean Kenyon	Lily Irvin	Clay Sonnenschein
Caden Ling	Jersey Sonnenschein	22- Jenna Schoeneman
2- Jered Holland	Joshua VanHouten	23- Amelia Gammeter
Olive Reichert	12- Rhonda Hubert	Zane Hiller
Kami Vogt	13- Jim Christian	Jack Sandeen
3- Taya Dahmen	Gordy Johnson	24- Brandon Pavelko
Jacob Meyer	Isabella Larson	25- Samuel Bosley
4- Mary Jo Graves	14- Lisa Asmus	David Jones
5- Archer Bosley	Hannah Bertsch	Lena Mathiesen
Katie Braden	Joan Johnson	26- Quinn Mebius
6- Logan Kerr	Kevin Lampe	Norma Newberger
7- Gavin Brosnahan	Evan Mattson	27- Vivian Hamilton
Brenda Crawford	15- Kaylyn Lindsey	Kristi Prouty
Monica Fehrs	16- Matt Dowling	Ruby Slavens
Judy Larson	Erin Evans	28- Sarah Peterson
Leanne Ratzlaff	Jeff Hoffman	Morgan Fehrs
8- Hazel Reiffenberger	David TerEick	Tom Sohre
Brady Dannenbring	lesley Stone	29- Joslyn Durfee
Sarah Hoffman	17- Greg Broekemeier	30- Paxtyn Bork
Carson Quist	Jacob Glawe	Willard Jernigan
9- Hazel Heiman	18- Tami Broekemeier	
Cindy Hyronemus	Jerome Heyd	
Carole Johnson	Devyn Johansen	
10- Bruce Olson	19- Konner Fischer	
11- Reese Hays	Levi Harnisch	
	20- Wyatt Schmidt	

ANNIVERSARIES

2- Rick & Bev Dierks
Lucas & Donna Gue
Darren & Natalie VanHouten

6- Kirk & Michelle Lee
9- Ken & Sue Reuter
10- Jason & Shannon Henry
Ken & Karen Newman
12- Cody & Laura Alderman
Ron & Lisa Glawe
13- Darrell & Stacie Bleeker
Nick & Abby Brock
14- Allen & Phyllis Hulzebos
16- Kurt & Kathy Holdorf
22- Jeff & Annette Weisenbach
23- Kent & Linda Braunesreither
Dave Steensma & Chris Parks
David & Brenda Wendt
25- Jim & Karen Christian
Don & Joan Johnson
TJ & Alexa Miller
26- Don & Carol Becker
Ben & Katelyn Fiegen
Brant & Carmen Jacobs
27- Chris & Mary Andresen
Brock & Juli Anshutz
Todd & Dawn Bechtold
28- Mark & Stacy Warwick
29- Mark & Jodie Parrish
30- Martin & Michelle Duin
Tom & Joanne Landis

*"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*

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

Sun. Sept 1

9:30 am One Combined Blended Worship
(+Livestream)

Mon. Sept 2 - LABOR DAY - OFFICE CLOSED

Tues. Sept 3

8 am Tues. Homeschool Group
4:30 pm Just For Kix
NO CARD MINISTRY THIS MONTH

Wed. Sept 4

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

Thurs. Sept 5

9 am Adult Bible Study
4:30 pm Just for Kix
5:30 pm LAUNDRY NIGHT @ NW Laundry
7 pm Elder Connect Meeting

Fri. Sept 6

6 pm 1st Friday Fellowship -Yard Games & S'mores

Sat. Sept 7

8:30 am Men's Bible Study
9 am Worship Team Practice
5 p Music Ministry Kick-Off BBQ at the Birnstiehl's

Sun. Sept 8 - Fall Sunday School Begins

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)
1:30-3 pm Confirmation Discipleship-Isaiah Rm.
4:30 pm Asmus Small Group

Mon. Sept 9

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
7 pm Outreach Meeting

Tues. Sept 10

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

Wed. Sept 11

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. Sept 12

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

Fri. Sept 13

9 am - 12 noon Quilting Ministry

Sat. Sept 14

8 am Hagar Bible Study - Isaiah Rm
8:30 am Men's Bible Study
9 am Worship Team Practice
9 am Private Party - café

Sun. Sept 15

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)
5:45 pm - 7:30 pm Serving at St Francis House
6:30 pm Miller Small Group

Mon. Sept 16

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

Tues. Sept 17

8 am Tues. Homeschool Group
4:30 pm Just for Kix
7 pm Mission Trip Info Meeting

Wed. Sept 18

7:15 am M/W Homeschool Group
6 pm Handbells Practice
6:30 pm Club 345
6:30 pm Confirmation - "Means Of Grace"
6:30 pm HS Connect
7 pm Adult Choir Practice
7 pm Adult Bible Study

Thurs. Sept 19

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

Fri. Sept 20

1-4 pm Private Event - Garage
4 pm Smith/Schmunk wedding rehearsal

Sat. Sept 21

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

Sun. Sept 22

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Blended Worship
9 am New Member Class
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am Bible Studies - "Miracles Of Jesus" - Isaiah Rm
11 am Contemporary Worship (+Livestream)
1:30 pm -3 pm Confirmation - Changes & Choices

Mon. Sept 23

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

Tues. Sept 24

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

Wed. Sept 25

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

Thurs. Sept 26

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

Fri. Sept 27

9 am - 12 noon Quilting Ministry

Sat. Sept 28

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

Sun. Sept 29- 3rd Grade Bible Presentations

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 Parent's & 3rd Graders Bible Basics Class
9:30 am Bible Studies - "Miracles Of Jesus" - Isaiah Rm
11 am Contemporary Worship (+Livestream)
1:30 pm -3 pm Confirmation - Changes & Choices
4:30 p Asmus Small Group

Mon. Sept 30

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

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 - "THE MIRACLES OF JESUS" - ISAIAH ROOM

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

SATURDAY MORNINGS -Men's Group - Various Topics - 8:30am; **Adult Study** - The Study of "Hagar" - 8am (Sept 14th & 28th)

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.

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

LUTHERAN IN WOMEN (LWML)

The Summer is unofficially/officially over and schools are back in session. We are getting geared up for our Fall and Winter Activities as well!

Our regular monthly meetings will be resuming in September. The Lois Circle meets on the 2nd Wednesday morning of the month in Café Logos at 9:00AM. The Lydia Circle meets the 4th Monday of the month in the Timothy Room at 7PM. Women of Memorial, you are welcome to attend any of these meetings. We have a Bible Study and talk about activities that are happening during the month.

On September 28, we will be attending our Sioux Falls Zone Fall Rally at Zion Lutheran Church; 1400 S. Duluth Ave. in Sioux Falls. Registration is at 8:30AM and the Rally begins at 9AM until 12PM. More information to follow.

Mission Grants: Nationally 13 Grants have been fully paid and 8 Grants have Partial Payments The featured Grant for September is **Zoe's Home – A Maternity and Parenting Home in Clinton, Missouri - \$75,000.** A partial payment of \$25,000 has been made. Zoe's Home enables women at risk of seeking an abortion or losing their parenting custody to overcome their current life situations and obstacles.

We, the Women of the Lutheran Women in Mission are "Ready to Serve" as Mary said in Luke 1:38 – "Behold, I am the servant of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word."

Colleen Keiser, Chairperson, LWML



SAVE the DATE

WOMEN'S
RETREAT

10/05/24

SPEAKER
DEB BURMA

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

25th Anniversary of Celebrate His Gifts Gala

Join us on Saturday, Nov. 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

Proceeds raised throughout the night benefit all students at SFLS by supporting our operational fund. We also hold a special reverse auction to benefit K-12 needs-based variable tuition. In celebration of the gala's 25th anniversary, we'll have some special nostalgic surprises in store. Follow our Facebook page for additional details: www.facebook.com/CelebrateHisGifts.

**Dr. Vaughn and JoAnn Meyer
Memorial Golf Tournament**
Thank you to all who participated in the 14th Annual Dr. Vaughn & JoAnn Meyer Memorial Golf Tournament! We raised more than **\$15,600** to support Sioux Falls Lutheran School's operational fund.
Thank you for your generosity!



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World Ready. Faith Secure.

*"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*



Heart to Heart 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 first fall meeting will be Tuesday, September 9th at 6:30pm in Cafe Logos. We will be planning our activities for the year so bring any ideas you may have! We need some service project ideas. Follow us on Facebook for more info.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/757344871271725>

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

YOUR MARRIAGE - A LIFELONG INVESTMENT



**Weekend to
Remember.**
by FamilyLife

A 'Weekend to Remember' event
is coming to Sioux Falls!

November 15-17, 2024

Go to the link below to learn more about ways to strengthen your marriage by investing in this time together. Then go to 'Locations' to register for Sioux Falls event. Early Bird price - \$150/person.

<https://www.familylife.com/weekend-to-remember/>

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 it!





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about Memorial Lutheran Church

MISSION TRIP!!

During the first week of August, I served on a volunteer mission team supporting Latin American missionaries during their yearly conference. This continuing education conference incorporates worship, rest, and fellowship for missionaries and their families. During the times when the adults had scheduled activities, it was vital to have workers to care for their children. This is where I served. My duties with the children were two-fold...to have fun and nurture their faith.

Each morning we all gathered for worship. Morning worship was in Spanish. After worship, the volunteers gathered the children for two hours of VBS. We would sing songs (in English and Spanish), perform skits, have a snack, and do crafts. After lunch, we spent time with the children playing games, creating arts and crafts projects, and preparing for the next day. Each afternoon we would gather again for worship. The afternoon worship was in English. In the evenings, the volunteers would gather for devotions and then spend time providing more childcare as the missionaries would meet with regional directors or have a date night.



There was one free day built into this trip. My roommate and new friend, Debra, and I decided to explore the area a bit. We took an excursion to Monkeyland. We were not expecting our trip to be so informative and educational. Our guide taught us about the local towns and customs, we also learned how cocoa and coffee are grown, harvested, and turned into the products that we consume. The highlight of our day trip was feeding and spending time with the spider monkeys. It was so much fun to watch them scurry around and take food from our hands.

I had an incredibly meaningful mission trip where I served children, nurtured their faith, and had a lot of fun along the way. I can't wait for the opportunity to serve again! If you are interested in learning more about serving on a mission trip, please join me for an informational meeting on Tuesday, September 17 at 7:00pm. I am in the process of putting a team together to serve alongside LCMS missionaries in **Jamaica**.

Blessings to you in this season,
Melinda

