



MEMORIAL LUTHERAN

"Connecting To Jesus And You!"

Connection

February 2023

Restore/Renew/Forgive

By Pastor Aaron Asmus

It happens every day. You use a piece of paper to do some calculations or jot down a list of some items you need to pick up – as soon as your problem is solved or your goods assembled, you throw the paper away. It makes sense. The paper is no longer useful – it's clutter if you keep it.

Your watch stops working and you determine it's more than the battery? It's now trash. The plastic beagle puppy dog gets chewed up by the real dog? Time to get tossed. The ceramic snowman cookie jar smashes when it's dropped on the floor? Out with the garbage. The springs on the couch have sprung and the cushions are frayed and split open? Find the dumpster or the back of a pickup headed for the landfill. Sometimes all it takes is for the pattern of the fabric to not fit the décor.

When the things we hold reach the end of their usefulness, they will soon be discarded. They've lost their value. We can talk recycle when it comes to many materials, but the original item no longer holds its purpose.

But you and I are different.

I may once in a while feel old and worn out. It might seem that I'm broken and useless. Someone might even tell me I cause too many conflicts or always get in the way. I might appear to impose a burden on the people around me. I may have messed up when I was being counted on. I may feel tarnished or even dirtied beyond recognition.

But God didn't create me to simply be discarded when things go wrong. Same for you.

When talking about you and me and the failings that appear in us, God's Word introduces ideas such as *new creation, re-deemed, treasured, forgiven, great value, cleansed, restored, healed, renewed, reconciled*.

God's interaction with us involves *mercy, grace, patience, forbearance, kindness, listening, understanding, compassion, joy*.

God leads us to new roads of *confession, humility, repentance, changed vision, forgiveness, mercy, grace, patience, forbearance, kindness, listening, understanding, compassion, joy*.

During the Sundays of Lent, our series *Restore, Renew, Forgive* will affirm our value to God and to one another. We'll consider how our value calls for us to seek resolution when conflict tempts us to simply toss relationships in the trash. We'll speak about confession, absolution, restoration, and renewal. You are valuable to God!

Blessings in Christ,

Pastor Aaron

Note: Join us for a great series on Wednesday nights – *Places of the Passion*

"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.memorallutheran.net & click on the Youtube link under 'Worship.'

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

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"Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus." - Phil 4:6-7

NEWS FROM THE GARAGE:

"This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it." Ps 118:24
Sometimes it's hard to rejoice and be glad in our day. Like adults, students have bad days too! Humanity and its brokenness does not withhold its harsh interactions from children of any age. Losing school work, failing an exam, or conflict with a friend are just some of the examples of life's difficulties. And it's easy to focus on those things. The Psalm reminds us that life's hardships don't hold an everlasting grip on us and it's because of the hope we have in Jesus that we can rejoice and be glad in every day...even the tough ones.

LCMS Youth Gathering (6th-10th gr)
Fundraising for our 2025 Youth Gathering begins soon with our Soup-er Bowl fundraiser. February 11th and 12th students will help prepare and hand out Soup orders. Sign up with Hailey Jo!

Lent begins February 22nd and that means we begin serving Lent meals Wednesday evenings.

*Look for an email with more information regarding these fundraisers.

STUDENT CONNECT

High School Connect (9th-12th grade) meets every Wednesday, starting at 6:30pm. Friends are always welcome!
NO HS Connect: February 22nd-April 5th

Middle School Connect (6th-8th grade) meet every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 6:30pm-8pm. Students meet with mentors for the first half hour. The large group then comes together for devotion and a game.

See you February 8th!

NO MS Connect: February 22nd-March 22nd

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Sunday: March 5th! Come support our students as they publicly confirm their faith in the promises spoken to them in their baptism. Check out the student projects, highlighting their spiritual gifts in action at 9:30am.

Upcoming Classes in February: Changes and Choices, sign up with DCE Hailey Jo

9:20 (based off of Nehemiah 9:20)

Sunday Bible Study (6th-12th gr)

Students are welcome to join us for Bible Study every Sunday morning. Doors open at 9:10am, with games, socializing and then music.

Important Dates

- **Bible Study** - Sundays at 9:20am
- **High School Connect**
Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm
- **Middle School Connect**
February 8th, 6:30-8pm
- **Soup-er Bowl** - February 11th & 12th
- **Ash Wednesday** - February 22nd

*So do not fear, for I am with you;
do not be dismayed, for I am your
God. I will strengthen you and
help you; I will uphold you with
My righteous right hand.
- Isaiah 41:10*

YOUTH & CHILDREN CONNECTIONS!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - INSIGHTS FROM LIZ ...

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him." -Rom. 15:13

This verse is hanging on my wall in my office this week. I got a box of prayer cards that have a single Bible verse printed on them from the Dollar store. I have it just over the corner of my laptop, so it is always in my view as I type. The idea is to have a verse a week for me to immerse myself in and see what God is trying to tell me with it. As I was hanging it up I realized that it was part of the scripture read at my wedding. Dan and I chose verses from Romans 15 because we felt it reflected our faith in Christ and I desire to live. I like the words to know that God indeed does fill me with hope, joy and peace and that I can trust in Him. May you find hope in Him also. Come visit my office to see what the next verse is!!!

-Liz Peters Director of Children's Ministries

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

SS CONNECT UPDATE



We continue in the New Testament and how the early church spread the Good News of Jesus. We've been doing some fun hands on activities to illustrate this and how sharing God's Love spreads. So thankful for the amazing volunteers that share Jesus each week with the kiddos.

CLUB 345 - ARMOR OF GOD

Club 345 if just for 3rd, 4th & 5th graders. We're focusing on the Armor of God and why God gives us these tools to protect us. We meet on 2 odd week **Wednesdays from 6:30-8 PM**. Come join us!

February 1 - Sword of the Spirit
February 15 - Power of Prayer

ZINGERS

This group for 1st & 2nd Graders meet once a month (2nd Wednesdays) for some special events to get to know each other and know Jesus! This month we'll meet **Wednesday Feb 8th from 6:30-8:00 PM**. Parents are more than welcome to lend a hand!

COMING SOON!!!

LEGO BIBLE CHALLENGE!!!
SUNDAY, MARCH 12th & 19th



Get out your LEGOs & find a Bible Story or Bible Verse to create a unique LEGO display! This is for ALL ages!!!

Drop Off LEGO Displays on March 9th or 10th During office hours of 8am-5pm or on March 11th 11am-12:30pm (OR before 8 AM Sunday, the 12th)

Awards: People Choice Awards Announced on Sunday, March 19th

Entry Categories: Preschool & Kindergarten, 1st-5th Graders, Family Project, Middle & High School Youth, and Adults

Pick-Up LEGOs: Sunday, March 19th after 11 AM (or during the week)

QUESTIONS?: Contact Liz Peters chil-dren@memoriallutheran.net

SOUP COLLECTION: The SS kids collected cans of soup last month & Feb 5th is the final count....who won???? Boys or Girls????!!? Stay tuned to find out who has bragging rights!



Lutheran Women in Mission:



What is LWML? We are Lutheran Women in Mission who: proclaim Christ; support missions; equip women to honor God by serving others. For more info, contact Lisa Asmus.

Our local Women in Mission group is divided into two circles that meet for Bible study and fellowship in the morning or in the evening. Please join us if you are able. **Lois Circle** meets Wed., Feb. 14 at 9am in the Café. **Lydia Circle** meets Mon, Feb. 27-7pm in the Timothy rm.

LWML.. praising God for this news...

MISSION GOAL REACHED!



We are filled with gratitude and joy as we announce that God has worked through your generosity and stewardship to surpass the goal of \$2,150,000.

Our Mite offerings now total \$2,154,511!

Each time you choose to give to LWML Mission Grants, you are directly pouring God's mercy and message into the lives of others – some you may know and others you may never meet. The people you are helping range in age from little children to the elderly, and their homes are located across the globe. Some recipients may be right in your neighborhood, others are men, women, and children living abroad. No matter their age, or how near or far, God knows the needs of every single person.

And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19).

LWML SD District presents a \$5,000 to Faith Lutheran Daycare and Preschool in Pierre for playground area upgrade!

Providing a caring atmosphere for young children where they can experience the love of God through the care given them is the goal of the Faith Lutheran Daycare & Preschool. It is their desire to update their outdoor playground area which is used by both programs. This would include replacing the well-worn wooden structure & concrete area with an updated play system; making better use of the space. The rocks in the playground area would also be replaced with rubber turf which would provide a much safer and softer ground cover. Finally, a new fence would be installed surrounding the area.

FEBRUARY FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP CENTER:

5 – Betty Zeik 12 – Open
19 – Open 26 – Open

Do you have an anniversary /birthday you'd like to celebrate with flowers in the worship center? Sign-up by the kitchen to mark your date. Take them home to enjoy any time after the last service on that Sunday. **Let Kathy know if you would like the occasion for the flowers listed in the prayers.**



CAN YOU HELP?

We are looking to involve more people in communion set up & take down on a rotating basis. Contact Pat Reichert if interested. (605)366-2188.

Sioux Falls Zone Prayer Service



Saturday, February 18
9 a.m.

Zion Lutheran Church
350 W Elm St. Canistota

2023 LWML Prayer Service

Prayer service will be followed by:

- Fellowship with coffee & goodies
- Zone board meeting

Snow date will be Saturday, February 25



By Rev. Dr. Mitchell Schuessler

MISSION & MINISTRY CONNECTIONS!

Heart to Heart



Ministry To Women By Women. Each month, we meet the second Tuesday at 6:30 pm, for Fellowship, Study & Service. Contact the church office (605-334-7133) for more info.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 5 & 14 - Sell Valentine Candy

Bouquets as fund raiser for medical supplies to go to Malawi in June with Susie Van Dyke.

Feb 9 - (6:30-8:30) Appetizer potluck & games

March 14 - (6:30-8:30) Pi Day - Bring a pie (dessert type, pizza type, pot pie or any other pie you can think of).

Outreach

ST. FRANCIS HOUSE: Memorial serves at St. Francis House Sunday, February, 19 & Sunday, March 19, 5:45pm to 7:30pm (or earlier) Wear a hat.



Check the Gray Board for Opportunities to help at the Alpha Center.

SFLS Art classes will be needing lids from soda bottles, milk jugs, Gator Aide bottles, glue sticks.....anything smaller than peanut butter lids. If in doubt send it to school. We will have a collection point by the gray slat boards in the hallway.

Ongoing Collections at Memorial - Used eyeglasses and sunglasses; pop tabs. Place in jars on the gray board by Outreach news.

Outreach News, Registrations, Sign ups, and more will now be on the gray board marked Outreach. This will be our new home. You can look there for Outreach information.

Upcoming Events - Serving Lunch for Memorial Homeschool groups; Movie Time at Sioux Falls Lutheran School; Laundry Night; Military Appreciation.

Annual Meeting Update!

Each year we meet together to hear updates on the ministries of Memorial, review and vote on an annual budget, and other business matters church.

At the January 22nd Annual Congregation meeting, updates were shared about: building maintenance; building loan status; bequest gift; church finances, as well as other ministry areas. The 2023 budget was presented and unanimously passed. *(Budget & Ministry Report Copies are available in the church office.)*

If you have any questions regarding the budget or annual meeting, please contact President Matt Hieb or the church office.

CANDY BOUQUETS for VALENTINE'S DAY

A candy bouquet makes a great gift for **Valentine's Day** for your sweetheart, your kids, grandparents, co-workers & your friends. **Heart 2 Heart** ministry will be making candy bouquets to help raise funds for medical equipment for Suzie Van-Dyke's upcoming medical mission trip to Malawi.



Pre-order and pay on Sunday, Jan. 29 (cash or check) for your bouquet filled with a variety of chocolates for only \$20. Bouquets can be picked up on Sunday mornings Feb. 5 & Feb. 12 after each church service.

Only 50 bouquets will be available so **pre-order** your gifts at the sign-up table. Thank you for your support.

Questions? Contact the church office at 605-334-7133

Memorial Lutheran Church

invites you to help support their
Women in Mission & Student Ministries

Let's Celebrate the
SOUP-ER BOWL!

Order by February 5th Pick-Up February 12th

Order forms available OR order online at memoriallutheran.net

*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.*

- Romans 15:13



SIOUX FALLS LUTHERAN NEWS! (PRE SCHOOL—12TH GR.)



Admissions Applications Now Open to the Community

Admissions applications for the 2023-24 school year are now open to the Sioux Falls Community. Contact Megan Baedke to schedule your Educational Success Consultation—a complimentary visit with our principals that is designed to help us understand your family's needs and give you a true understanding of what it means to receive a Sioux Falls Lutheran School education. Educational Success Consultations are free and available to every K-12 family, no matter where you decide to enroll, because we know that visiting is an important first step in finding the right educational environment for your child. Call Megan at 605-335-1923 to schedule your visit!

Our Children: His Treasure Capital Campaign Receives \$1 Million Gift

We are delighted and humbled to share that the *Our Children: His Treasure* Capital Campaign received a \$1 million donation

from a dear friend of the school, who wishes to remain anonymous. Part of the gift completes the donor's faith promise pledge to these new early childhood classrooms. The balance of the gift will be used to pay ongoing construction costs for the addition.

As you may recall, in June 2022, the Association Voters approved this four-classroom/new Learning Center addition to our current Early Childhood Center, to serve a dire community need and a long SFLS waiting list for infant and toddler education/care.

The project cost, excluding furnishings, was \$2,137,400, to be funded by ongoing campaign cash and pledges—then totaling \$1,121,283—and a LCEF construction loan of \$1.1 million. As of December 31, 2022, we now have \$2,042,920 in cash and pledges, meaning that our LCEF construction loan will be dramatically reduced. Praise be to God!

This addition is slated to be completed later this spring, just in time to open classrooms in the fall of 2023. It will serve our Lord and regional community needs for

generations to come, allowing us to educate and share the good news of Jesus Christ with approximately 250 early childhood children and their families each year. It will also provide us with more flexible classroom use in our growing elementary grades.

We thank each and every individual who has supported this Gospel project for their fervent prayerful and financial support, and we ask that you continue to keep this project—including construction workers, donors, and our hiring efforts—in your prayers. Through your continued support, it is our goal to reduce our construction loan to zero, so that we can pass along the cost savings to families. *"Let the little children come to me; do not hinder them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."* Matt. 19:14; Mark 10:14; Luke 18:16.

Please visit our construction updates page to track progress on the *Our Children: His Treasure* Capital Campaign addition in the months ahead:
www.siouxfallslutheran.com/construction-updates.

Building Loan Update

Balance as of January 1, 2023 = \$ 274,791
Principal paid YTD = \$ 16,063
Current Loan Balance as of January 15, 2023 = \$ 258,278

New estimated payoff date if only regular monthly payments are made: May 15, 2024

Additional principal payments from Reaching Beyond/Building Fund contributions will shorten the time until the loan is paid off. Please consider making contributions to the Reaching Beyond/Building Fund in addition to your regular general fund offerings. Thank You!

OFFERING SUMMARY - 2023

January Giving \$ 65,201 Giving YTD \$ 65,201
Monthly Budgeted Need \$103,320 Budgeted Need YTD \$ 71,532

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 - is also available. Please see the brochures on the shelf across from the office.

Memorial Wish List

Funding for high school quilts; Funding for Faith Chests; Carpet; Tech equipment for Sanctuary

Do you shop on Amazon?

Did you know that if you shop Amazon Smile, .5% of your purchase will be donated to a charity of your choice? Memorial Lutheran can be chosen as a recipient! Doesn't seem like a lot, but it adds up.



Offering Boxes! - Offering boxes are available at each Worship Center entrance. Offerings can be dropped in any of the boxes. Cards are also available at each box with a QR code if you would prefer electronic giving. *Thank you for supporting the Ministry of Memorial Lutheran Church.*

"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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Sarah Swingdorf

Organists/Accompanists:

Peggy Baney
Joy Johansen
Jan Noah
Kristi Prouty

Church Council

Matt Hieb, President
Doug Monson, Vice. Pres.
Michelle Knappe, Secretary
Bart Viss, Treasurer
Merry Miller, Financial Sec..
Lisa Asmus, LWML
Peggy Baney, Outreach
Casey Bialas, Trustee

Elders:

Bhrett Baney, Kasey Danley; Craig Gehrels;
Rich Hartmann; Mike Mnarik; Dennis O'Neill;
Don Schmidt; Jim Schmidt; Andy Schmuck; Joel Quist

SHARING OUR GIFTS AND CELEBRATING OUR FAMILY!

February Birthdays & Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

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|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Joel Bialas | 9 Madyson Determan | 18 Candi Currier |
| Kellsie Hoffmann | Don Reichert | Chase Kaiser |
| Elizabeth Nord | Annette Weisenbach | Heidi Mattson |
| 2 Pastor Aaron Asmus | 10 Don Becker | 19 Jacob Birstiehl |
| Louis Krabbenhoft | 11 Bruce Aljets | Andrew Mattson |
| Megan Schoeneman | Dennis O'Neill | 20 Breckyn Henry |
| Rubi Webb | 13 Brad Hanisch | 21 Janet Borchard |
| 3 Lucas Gue | Oscar Rozeboom | Ted Jackson |
| Doug Monson | Jadelyn Stokke | Addelyn Meier |
| 4 Daniel Asmus | Aaron Wickre | 22 Marcus Kanefke |
| Maria Larson | 14 Brock Anshutz | Odin Swingdorf |
| Kay Wood | Cadence Christensen | 23 Troy Penrod |
| 5 Braxton Johnson | Darrell Dowdell | Marshall Reichert |
| Tyler Sullivan | Craig Larsen | 24 Abby Brock |
| 6 Martin Aljets | 15 Tatum Baxa | Anika Noteboom |
| Connor Braunesreither | Laurel Strobl | Madison Monson |
| Tyson Catron | Sam Woodson | 25 Layton Hamilton |
| Karla O'Neal | 16 Kaitlyn Gehrels | Dante Johansen |
| 7 Dan Amert | Ethan Gugel | 26 Carol Becker |
| Abbie Duin | Kaitlyn Stuck | 27 George Niemann |
| Paul Krapf | Mason Thammavongkeo | 28 Eli Bridges |
| 8 Erica Rayman | 17 Donna Aljets | Brandon Dannenbring |
| | Mindee Birstiehl | Randy Wend |

ANNIVERSARIES

- 6- Randy & Barb Knudtson
11- Trent & Lisa Boe
14- Lenny & Heather Sand
20- Tom & Jean Kenyon
23 - Cole & Jessica Buer
25- Lionel & Elizabeth Fraction

"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

Serving In February

"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

Serving Communion:

- Feb 5** 8:00 am - Dennis O'Neill, Jay Prouty
9:30 am - Bob Seidel, Joel Bialas, Dan Amert, Dan Currier
11:00 am - Al Herrig, Andy Schmuck, Dave Fehrs, Jerome Heyd
- Feb 12** 8:00 am - Kasey Danley, Rich Hartmann
9:30 am - Don Schmidt, Joel Quist, Ken Tucker, Ken Wickre
1:00 am - Al Herrig, Jim Schmidt, Joel Shaver, Paul Luetjen
- Feb 19** 8:00 am - Jay Prouty, Rocky Boer
9:30 am - Mark Schoeneman, Terry Conrad, Rick Dierks, Craig Gehrels
11:00 am - Andy Schmuck, Dave Fehrs, Jerome Heyd, Jim Schmidt
- Feb 22** 6:30 pm - Rich Hartmann, Dan Currier, Joel Quist, Mike Mlnarik
- Feb 26:** 8:00 am - Bhrett Baney, Rocky Boer
9:30 am - Terry Conrad, Rick Dierks, Craig Gehrels, Tim Miller
11:00 am - Andy Schmuck, Jim Schmidt, Joel Shaver, Paul Luetjen

January Accompanists:

(The Worship Team accompanies all 11 am Worship Services)

- Feb 5 -** 8:00 am - Joy Johansen
9:30 am - Kristi Prouty
- Feb 12 -** 8:00 am - Peggy Baney
9:30 am - Kristi Prouty
- Feb 19 -** 8:00 am - Joy Johansen
9:30 am - Kristi Prouty
- Feb 22 -** 6:30 pm - Peggy Baney
- Feb 26 -** 8:00 am - Joy Johansen
9:30 am - Kristi Prouty

February Acolytes:

- Feb 5 -** 8:00 am - Brody Konz
11:00 am - Sophie Wood
- Feb 12 -** 8:00 am - Olivia Lorang
11:00 am - Chandler Christensen
- Feb 19 -** 8:00 am - Troy Miller
11:00 am - Eero Larson
- Feb 22 -** 6:30 pm - Sophie Wood
- Feb 26 -** 8:00 am - Henry Woodson
11:00 am - Elijah Richards

February Sunday Ushers

- 8:00 am** - Doug Foster, Tom Kenyon, LeRoy Zafft, Rich Ulses,
Dan Peters
- 9:30 am** - Brian Johnson, Allen Hulzebos, Erik Helland, Bart Viss
- 11:00 am** - Greg Miller, Shirley Miller
- Wed, Feb. 22 - Ash Wednesday - 6:30 pm** -
Dennis O'Neill, Ken Wickre, Bannon Larson

February Lay Readers:

- Feb 5 -** 8:00 am - Dan Peters
9:30 am - Bob Seidel
11:00 am - Breck Miller
- Feb 12 -** 8:00 am - Jay Prouty
9:30 am - Ken Wickre
11:00 am - Paul Luetjen
- Feb 19 -** 8:00 am - OPEN
9:30 am - Nadine Bornitz
11:00 am - Chris Andresen
- Feb 22 -** 6:30 pm - Rose Foster
- Feb 26 -** 8:00 am - Rich Ulses
9:30 am - Sharon Conrad
11:00 am - Cindy Hyronemus
11:00 am - TBD

Power Point Operators:

- Feb 5 -** 8:00 am - Eddie Jerke
9:30 am - Steve Feuerstein
11:00 am - TBD
- Feb 12 -** 8:00 am - Charlie Peters
9:30 am - Pete Illing
11:00 am - TBD
- Feb 19 -** 8:00 am - Seth Peters
9:30 am - Steve Feuerstein
11:00 am - TBD
- Feb 22 -** 6:30 pm - OPEN
- Feb 26 -** 8:00 am - Charlie Peters
9:30 am - Pete Illing
11:00 am - TBD

Serving

Connecting Through Serving & Growing In The Word!

Bible Studies at Memorial

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY - 9:am in the café.
Current Study: "The Chosen"

CHRISTIANITY 101 - Sundays at 9:30am
in the James Room. *Written and Led by
Chris Andresen.* How Modern Lutherans
can discover who they are in Christ.

The Book Of Jonah by *Eric Mason*
Sundays at 9:30 am in the music room.
January 8 - February 26, led by Kurt Hold-
orf. We will expand our vision to see that
Jonah's story is our own. Far more than a
thrilling Sunday school adventure, it of-
fers a profound glimpse into the conflict
that occurs when God calls resistant be-
lievers to His mission.

12 More Women Of The Bible:

Sundays at 9:30 am in the Café: Jan 8 -
March 25.



Ladies... Come meet 12 more
women of the Bible and hear their
life changing stories for us today.

They help us learn: How to live through
our successes and our failures; Draw
near to God in a world filled with trials;
and Find lasting contentment in every
situation.

YOUNG MARRIED SMALL GROUP -

Meet other young couples; Learn more
about marriage; Have some fun together.
Join us Jan 2nd (Then the 1st Monday of each
month) 6:30-8pm at Memorial. (Bring a left-
over Christmas Goodie or snack) Let us know
you can join us, Text/Call: Kathleen & Aa-
ron Tennyson 605-877-2954.

INTERESTED IN SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY?

SEVERAL GROUPS ARE CURRENTLY MEETING AND
MORE ARE BEING PLANNED. PLEASE TALK WITH
PASTOR DOUG AND HE WILL CONNECT YOU WITH
ONE OF THE GROUPS.

**MORE BIBLE STUDIES ARE BEING PLANNED.
WATCH THE BULLETIN AND NEWSLETTERS
FOR TOPICS, TIMES, AND DATES.**

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

RightNow Media—A resource for

everyone. Stream Adult Bible Studies
AND an abundance of Christian
Children's programming for the whole
family! It's the "Netflix" of Bible Studies and
Christian videos for all ages! Email the church
office for the link.



Daily Devotion Opportunities

LWML Mustard Seed Devotions. Go to
LWML.org and click on resources.

Lutheran Hour Ministries. Go to lhm.org, click
on News/Resources. Scroll down to Daily
Devotions.

FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Wed. Feb 1

7 am SFLS Childcare
8 am M/W Homeschool Group
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
6 pm Bells practice
6:30 pm Club 345
6:30 pm Confirmation - "Means Of Grace"
6:30 pm Confirmation - "Apostles' Creed"
6:30 pm High School Connect
7 pm Choir Practice

Thurs. Feb 2

7 am SFLS Childcare
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
9 am Adult Bible Study
4 pm Just For Kix - garage/backyard
5 pm TOPS
6:pm Private Meeting - James/John Room
7 pm Elders' Meeting

Fri. Feb 3

7 am SFLS Childcare
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out

Sat. Feb 4

8 am Men's Bible Studies
9 am Worship Team Practice

Sun. Feb 5-

Directory Update Photos between services

8 am Traditional Worship
8 am Bible Study - **Mere Christianity** - cafe
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am New Member Class begins
9:30 am Bible Studies-**CHRISTIANITY 101**-James Rm;
12 MORE WOMEN OF THE BIBLE - cafe
THE BOOK OF JONAH - Music Room
11 am Contemporary Worship (*+Livestream*)
6:30 pm Miller Small group

Mon. Feb 6

7 am SFLS Childcare
8 am M/W Homeschool Group
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
4 pm Just For Kix - garage/backyard
6 pm Private Meeting - James Room
7 pm Young Women's Small Group - Matthew Rm

Tues. Feb 7

7 am SFLS Childcare
9 am Circuit Pastors' Meeting at Memorial
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
4 pm Just For Kix - garage/backyard
6 pm Private Meeting - James Room
6:30 pm Card Ministry

Wed. Feb 8

7 am SFLS Childcare
8 am M/W Homeschool Group
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
9 am Lois Circle
6 pm Bells Practice
6:30 pm Zingers
6:30 pm High School & Middle School Connect
7 pm pm Choir Practice

Thurs. Feb 9

7 am SFLS Childcare
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
9 am Adult Bible Study
4 pm Just For Kix - garage/backyard
5 pm TOPS
6 pm Private Meeting - James Room
6:30 pm Heart to Heart Appetizer Potluck & Games

Fri. Feb 10

7 am SFLS Childcare
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out

Sat. Feb 11

8 am Men's Bible Studies
8 am New Member Saturday Session
9 am Worship Team Practice

Sun. Feb 12

8 am Traditional Worship
8 am Bible Study - **Mere Christianity** - cafe
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am New Member Class
9:30 am Bible Studies-**CHRISTIANITY 101**-James Rm;
12 MORE WOMEN OF THE BIBLE - cafe
THE BOOK OF JONAH - Music Room
11 am Contemporary Worship (*+Livestream*)

Mon. Feb 13

7 am SFLS Childcare
8 am M/W Homeschool Group
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
4 pm Just For Kix - garage/backyard
6:pm Private Meeting - James/John Room
7 pm Young Women's Small Group - Matthew Rm

Tues. Feb 14 - Happy Valentine's Day

7 am SFLS Childcare
8 am Tues Homeschool Group
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
4 pm Just For Kix - garage/backyard

Wed. Feb 15

7 am SFLS Childcare
8 am M/W Homeschool Group
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
6:00 pm Bells Practice
6:30 pm Club 345
6:30 pm High School Connect
7:00 pm Choir Practice

Thurs. Feb 16

7 am SFLS Childcare
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
9 am Adult Bible Study
4 pm Just For Kix - garage/backyard
5 pm TOPS
6 pm Private Meeting - James Room

Fri. Feb 17

7 am SFLS Childcare
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
5:30 pm - 9 pm Movie Night at Memorial -
NOW SHOWING - 'National Treasure'
See info on page 8

Sat. Feb 18

8 am Men's Bible Studies
9 am Worship Team Practice

Sun. Feb 19

8 am Traditional Worship
8 am Bible Study - **Mere Christianity** - cafe
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am Bible Studies-**CHRISTIANITY 101**-James Rm;
12 MORE WOMEN OF THE BIBLE - cafe
THE BOOK OF JONAH - Music Room
11 am Contemporary Worship (*+Livestream*)
1:30 pm - 3 pm Confirmation - 'Changes & Choices'
5:45 pm Serving at St. Francis House

Mon. Feb 20

7 pm Young Women's Small Group - Matthew Rm

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

"For where two or three gather in My name, there am I with them."
— Matt. 18:20

Tues. Feb 21

7 am SFLS Childcare
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
4 pm Just For Kix - garage/backyard
6:pm Private Meeting - James/John Room

Wed. Feb 22 - ASH WEDNESDAY

7 am SFLS Childcare
8 am M/W Homeschool Group
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
5 pm - 6:15 pm Lent Fellowship Meal
5:45 pm Choir Practice
6:30 pm Ash Wednesday Worship
7:30 pm Bells Practice

Thurs. Feb 23

7 am SFLS Childcare
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
9 am Adult Bible Study
4 pm Just For Kix - garage/backyard
5 pm TOPS
6:pm Private Meeting - James/John Room

Fri. Feb 24

7 am SFLS Childcare
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out

Sat. Feb 25

8 am Men's Bible Studies
9 am Worship Team Practice

Sun. Feb 26

8 am Traditional Worship
8 am Bible Study - **Mere Christianity** - cafe
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am New Member Class
9:30 am Bible Studies-**CHRISTIANITY 101**-James Rm;
12 MORE WOMEN OF THE BIBLE - cafe
THE BOOK OF JONAH - Music Room
11 am Contemporary Worship (*+Livestream*)
1:30 pm - 3 pm Confirmation - 'Changes & Choices'

Mon. Feb 27

7 am SFLS Childcare
8 am M/W Homeschool Group
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
4 pm Just For Kix - garage/backyard
7 pm Lydia Circle
7 pm Young Women's Small Group - Matthew Rm

Tues. Feb 28

7 am SFLS Childcare
9 am SFLS Kids' Day Out
4 pm Just For Kix - garage/backyard

Photo Directory Picture Updates

Sunday, February 5th 9-11am

Gather the family together and stop by the kitchenette area just inside the east doors. We'll take an updated photo for the church directory and verify contact info.

No appointment needed.
We'll be taking updated photos the first Sunday of each month through April.
Thanks for helping us keep things up to date.

Upcoming Dates To Note:

- Sunday, Feb 5 - Spring New Member Classes begin - 9:30 am in the cafe
- Wed, Feb 22 - **Ash Wednesday** - 6:30pm Worship
- Sunday, March 12 - Lego Bible Build Challenge
- Sunday, April 9 - **Easter Sunday**



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WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE GENRE OF MOVIES?

Drama...romantic comedies...horror? My personal favorite is historical fiction. I remember the first time I watched *Gone with the Wind*. I was twelve years old and my grandma watched it with me while my parents were out of town. I was intrigued by the costumes, the architecture, and the way of life portrayed in the film. I remember recreating scenes from the movies with my Barbie dolls for days afterwards. (Yes, I played with Barbies for a long time) In fact, I have four collector edition Scarlett O'Hara Barbie dolls and one Rhett Butler Ken doll in my basement. I may have been a bit obsessed.

Memorial is hosting an all-congregation movie night on Friday, February 17, and I couldn't be happier to hear that they are showing the historical fiction movie *National Treasure*. In this movie, historian Ben Gates is on a quest to find the legendary Templar Treasure.

Not only will the movie be shown at Memorial that evening, but pizza will be served beforehand. Bring your friends and family to join in a night of fellowship at Memorial. It's sure to be a good time. This event is sponsored by the Memorial Connect Fellowship Ministry.

Questions? Call the church office at 605-334-7133.

Blessings, *Melinda Wood*



Friday, February 17, 2023
Join us for a fun Friday Night Pizza & Movie Event. Open to all ages!

Now Showing - in the Worship Center. The café will be available as a break room for parents with kids with wiggles.

PIZZA SERVED AT 5:30 PM
MOVIE BEGINS at 6:00 pm

