



MEMORIAL LUTHERAN

"Connecting To Jesus And You!"

Connection

June 2023

Summer's a Great Time to Say "Welcome!"

By Pastor Aaron

Wouldn't you agree? This past Memorial Day weekend really helped us feel that summer is actually here. School's out for most. Graduations have pretty much happened. The trees are wearing their summer clothes. The weather's been warm, and I believe that the last few chunks of ice have finally worked their way out of our lakes. Summer's here to stay!!! ... for a while, anyway.

Though this often seems to be the case at Memorial, summer is a time when you may especially see a lot of unfamiliar people worshipping with you in church. They may be here because they're visiting family or friends here in Sioux Falls. They may just be passing through and found our church's website. Perhaps they're looking for a church home. Maybe they've just moved into our area. Whatever is the case, let's be ready to help all our visitors feel very welcome. Here are a few encouragements:

1. Don't be afraid to ask for the name of somebody you meet. If you can use a person's first name in your conversation a couple of times, it will help you better remember him or her and help that person feel valued.
2. If you see the same person or family next week – and you've forgotten their name (that may likely happen) – don't be afraid to ask again! You can say something like: "It's great to see you again this week. I don't always remember names very well...could you just help me with your name again?" There are some people that I've had to come to more than once with that reason to ask for their name again. My only other option is to just not worry about who they are – and I don't think that's a very good option.

3. Many people who visit at Memorial are looking for a church home that really cares about their children. When you welcome adults who come with children, please welcome the kids also. Share your name first. Then you might simply ask: "Are there any special summer activities you like to do?" Ask another question or two about the activity, and invite the young person share his/her name before you say "thanks for telling me a little bit about yourself." Some kids will be pretty shy and won't share a great deal. Others will keep you busy for the next 10 minutes. In either case, you will have made a new friend!

4. Invite ----- to your home, to a Bible Study, to a fellowship group gathering.
5. The same thoughts above always apply to keeping in touch with our fellow members!

Thanks for helping people feel welcome here at Memorial! This congregation is known by many as a very friendly congregation that welcomed them in. Let's make sure we keep our arms wide open. It helps invite people to connect to God's life-giving gifts through His Word. It helps present the picture of Jesus' open arms in receiving all His children.

God bless your summer!

Pastor Aaron

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

SUNDAY WORSHIP INFORMATION:

8:00 am Traditional Worship

9:30 am* Blended Worship

11:00 am Contemporary Worship

11 am service is also Livestreamed.

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

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

JULY 2, 2023

10:30 AM

ANNUAL OUTDOOR WORSHIP & PICNIC

Grab your lawn chairs and invite a friend. All are welcome for Worship & Picnic.

NOTE: We provide the picnic lunch & no reservations needed.

We'll have some canopies available but you are welcome to bring yours if you have one.

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Updates from The Church Council

Greetings from your Church Council!

Our general cash position and the deficit we are currently running continues to be an area of focus for the council. April giving was strong, and we had a surplus for the month of approximately \$27,000 after regular operating expenses were paid. This certainly helps our overall general cash position however there is still a deficit for 2023 in addition to the carryover we had for 2022. We are hopeful we will see more months like April throughout the year to ensure the deficit does not continue to grow. We will continue to provide updates on this in the months to come.

The construction is progressing well in the original part of our building! Café Logos will soon be complete, and we hope to be using this room again soon. Progress on the hallway outside the sanctuary, nursery, restrooms, and main entrance are moving along while demolition moves further down the east hallway and into the classrooms. This project is being funded by our Building

Maintenance fund along with funds from the estate gift that was received last year. We are hoping to raise an additional \$150,000 - \$165,000 towards the project. If you would like to make a financial contribution to the project, you can do so by contributing to the Building Maintenance Fund. We will be taking a special offering on Sunday, July 9th to support our Building Maintenance Fund.

Landscaping updates have restarted after taking the winter months off. Some new plants will be going in the areas that were updated last summer and fall, and work around the east entrance will be completed soon. Lighting updates around the exterior of the building have also resumed and will be completed soon.

If anyone has questions, please reach out to a Church Council Member.

In Christ,
Matt Hieb
Church Council President

"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

FROM THE CHURCH COUNCIL

Building Loan Update

Balance as of January 1, 2023	= \$ 274,791
Principal paid YTD	= \$ 93,075
Current Loan Balance as of May 16, 2023	= \$ 181,716

New estimated payoff date if only regular monthly payments are made: April 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

Giving thru April 30	\$ 392,030	May giving thru 5/25: \$50,014
Expenses thru April 30	\$ 413,684	Monthly Budgeted Need: \$ 103,302

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 - Please see the brochures on the shelf across from the office.

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 |

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Rich Hartmann; Mike Mlnarik; Dennis O'Neill;
Don Schmidt; Jim Schmidt; Andy Schmuck; Joel Quist

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

NEWS FROM THE GARAGE:

"He is like a tree planted by water, that sends out its roots by the stream, and does not fear when heat comes, for its leaves remain green, and is not anxious in the year of drought, for it does not cease to bear fruit." Jeremiah 17:8

Recently, we've seen a rise in concern over the messages our world is sharing and encouraging our young people to adopt. Sometimes, the world and its views creep into our homes and our families. And as adults/parents we struggle to correct or even direct our children to what is right. But God's word promises that when we are planted by the stream, when we are fed by His word, the fruit will not come back empty. Let me encourage you parents to keep what is good and necessary, i.e. Worship, the receiving of the sacraments, and fellowship with other believers will bear good fruit, even in periods of drought. God's reign is more powerful and lasting than any message our world declares.

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

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:

- Eastway Bowling June 7th, 6:30-8pm (RSVP with Hailey Jo)
- All Student Ministry Grog: June 14, 7:30-9pm
- Kids Against Hunger July 12th, 6:00-7:30pm (Sign-up through link)
- VBS Volunteering July 23-26, sign up with Liz Peters. NO HS Connect the 26th
- Canaries Game July 28 (my birthday!), click the link to purchase tickets

Middle School Connect (6th-8th gr)

Summer Schedule is out! Parents check your email for it, I also have hard copies if you'd like one for your fridge. Please note specific times, as they change frequently. Check email for link to purchase Canaries tickets and a link to sign up for Kids Against Hunger.

9:20 Sunday Bible Study (6th-12th gr)

Based off of Nehemiah 9:20, students are welcome to join us for Bible Study every Sunday morning. We gather together to connect in God's Word so that we are nourished for the work God has planned for us during the week! Doors open at 9:10am, with games, socializing and then music.

No Sunday Bible Study July 2nd, join us for 10:30 Worship on the lawn!

Summer Schedule

- Move-up day for new 6th graders: Sunday, September 10th
- Move-up day for new freshman: Wednesday, September 6th
- Congratulations to our 19 graduates!

Important Dates

- Bible Study - Sundays at 9:20am
- High School Connect - Wed. at 6:30pm
- Middle School Connect - Check Schedule
- Confirmation - No summer classes
- No Sunday Bible Study - July 2nd

YOUTH & CHILDREN CONNECTIONS!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - INSIGHTS FROM LIZ ...

"I'm So Blessed" by Cain, is one of the SS kiddos' favorite songs. If you ever been the halls during our opening, I am sure you heard them singing this. "On my best day, I'm a child of God, on my worst day, I'm child of God, Oh, everyday, is a good day and you're the reason why." This is what my call is here at Memorial, to share the Good News of Jesus' love with the children and their families that they are blessed on good and bad days. I am so blessed to serve here at Memorial. I thank God each day for the opportunities that I have. This fall I will have been here 16 years and 24 years as a DCE! I am in awe at the relationships I have been able to build with people and then watch babies grow up into solid young people and adults. If each child that attends Memorial leaves knowing they are blessed, then we have succeeded in sharing Jesus with them. There is LOTS going on this summer, so lend a hand and bring the kids! Have a great summer!

-Liz Peters Director of Children's Ministries

Summer Sunday School Connect

It is time for Summer SS Connect! We give teachers the summer off & ask for parents to lend a hand. Liz & Dan Peters are the primary teachers. ALL the kids are kept together in a relaxed setting as we explore Gospel lessons! SS Connect begins **June 4th from 9:30-10:30 am** in the Backyard. Please sign-up to lend a hand!



VBS SHINE



July 23rd-26th 6:00-8:15 PM

VBS Shine is for 3 year olds up to new 5th Graders. We will gather each night to see how Jesus is the Light of the World and how we can shine His love to others! There will be Bible stories, music, games, crafts & LOTS of fun! Register on-line & don't wait!!! Come SHINE with us! One of the crafts will be t-shirts and we need your child's size!!! Volunteers are needed every night to help lead activities, or hang out with the kiddos to help them have the best week of the summer, see Liz for details! Check out the lighthouse as we ask for help and supplies.

VBS Volunteer Meeting:
Thursday, July 20th @ 6:30 PM

Register On-Line for
Vacation Bible School:



VBS Grand Finale Family Night!!

Wednesday, July 26th - 6:00 PM
Bring the **WHOLE** family for a picnic, games, crafts and music for the **LAST NIGHT** of VBS!! Come join us!

SUMMER FUN

Pick a Park!! -

Families, let's have some summer fun, I will pick a park for all to come meet and play!! Bring a chair, kids, water bottles and we'll provide a little snack! Come play together with other families!!

Monday, June 12th 6:30-7:30 PM @

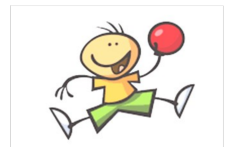
Spellerberg Park Playground

Sunday, June 25th 4:30-5:30 PM @

Lower Tuthill Park Playground

GaGa Ball Nights at Memorial—

Are you ready for some GaGa Ball? Calling new 2nd-6th Graders to come play! Will have a snack to help us cool off, sidewalk chalk to decorate the cement. Parents, you are MORE than welcome to stay and play too!!! **Wednesday, July 12th & August 2nd from 6:30-8 PM**



"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

Outreach

St. Francis House:

Memorial serves the third Sunday of each month 5:45-7:30pm. Wear a cap and closed toe shoes. For more info or to sign up to serve, contact Peggy Baney or the church office. Thanks to all who have served & who have volunteered for June & July. We are looking for 3-4 folks to serve in August and September.

Center of Hope:

Looking for people to help work on bikes. Also looking for bike donations and bike parts donations. If interested, let Peggy Baney know 605-759-8424.

Other Outreach events are being planned. If you are interested in joining the Outreach Team, please contact the church office & we will get you connected. Email: info@memoriallutheran.net or 605-334-7133 or Peggy Baney at 605-759-8424.

REMINDER!!!

Comfort Meals: are kept in the freezer at church? These meals are about 2 servings each. There are also mini breads (banana, pumpkin, etc) to go along with each meal. The meals are available for you to take to people in need: new parents, death in a family, hard times, sickness, or just need a pick-me-up, etc..... Call the office at 605-334-7133 for more details.

Memorial Food Pantry: Did you know that Memorial has a food pantry? If your family or someone you know needs food or hygiene items, let the office know (605-334-7133). It is ready to be utilized.

"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of Mine, you did for Me.' - Matthew 25:40

Bible Studies at Memorial

9:30 AM SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES

THE BOOK OF COLOSSIANS, Through June 11. Our perception of Jesus shapes us.

THE POWER TO CHANGE, begins June 18. A RightNowMedia study by Jennie Allen. Life change happens at the moment you begin a relationship with Jesus. You have been rescued. But what happens when daily temptations and distractions from following Jesus leave you feeling overwhelmed and stuck in the same discouraging patterns? This study will help you understand the work of the Holy Spirit in your life. Change is possible because the gospel changes everything.

Christianity 101 - Sundays at 9:30am. How Modern Lutherans can discover who they are in Christ.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY

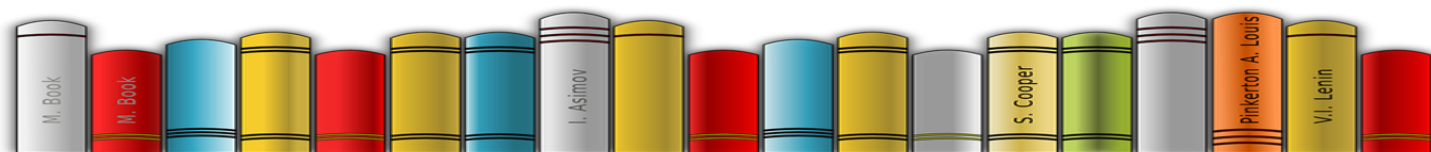
Beginning June 7th at 7:00pm. Join in this 8 week study of The Book of Hebrews, a RightNowMedia study by Derwin Gray. Hebrews was written to people in crisis. They were persecuted, tempted by the rampant sin around them, and doubting their faith in Jesus. It was not so different than what many of us go through today. How do we live for Jesus in every season of life? Jesus is better than anything the world can offer. We simply need to answer, "Am I willing to trust Him above everything else?"

THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY - 9:00am in the café. Various topics

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

Interested in small group bible study? Talk with Pastor Doug & he'll connect you with one of the groups.

RightNow Media— A great resource for everyone. Stream Adult Bible Studies AND an abundance of Christian Children's programming for the whole family! Email the church office for the link. (info@memoriallutheran.net)



Sioux Falls Lutheran Annual Book Sale August 9-12

8:00 am - 6:00 pm (Wed - Fri)
8:00 am - 1:00 pm (Sat.)

This event raises money for tuition assistance. Donations can be brought to Memorial June 1-August 1, 8am-5pm. *(Please use the far east doors)*. Donations can also be brought to Sioux Falls Lutheran School.

We accept:

Hardcover books, paperback books, adult books, children's books, baby board books, cookbooks, music books, sewing books, Do It Yourself Books, Craft Books, Crossword Books, Coloring Books, text books, any kind of books. Also, board games, puzzles, DVD's, CD's, records, computer games and teacher resources. We can also use cloth bags for shopping bags.

Call Peggy Baney at 605-759-8424 for more information.

Serving In June

Serving Communion:

June 4: 8:00 am - Dennis O'Neill & Bhrett Baney
9:30 am - Bob Seidel, Dan Amert, Don Becker, Joel Quist
11:00 am - Al Herring, Andy Schmuck, David Fehrs, Jerome Heyd

June 11: 8:00 am - Larry Noah & Rocky Boer
9:30 am - Joel Bialas, Don Schmidt, Ken Tucker, Mark Schoeneman
11:00 am - Bill Cooper, Jim Schmidt, Joel Shaver, Mike Gilbride

June 18: 8:00 am - Dennis O'Neill & Kasey Danley
9:30 am - Joel Quist, Ken Wickre, Terry Conrad, Alan Carlson
11:00 am - Al Herring, Andy Schmuck, David Fehrs, Mike Mlnarik

June 25: 8:00 am - Larry Noah & Rich Hartmann
9:30 am - Dan Currier, Rick Dierks, Craig Gehrels, Tim Miller
11:00 am - Bill Cooper, Jerome Heyd, Jim Schmidt, Mike Gilbride

June Accompanists:

(The Worship Team accompanies all 11 am Worship Services)

June 4 - 8:00 am - Joy Johansen
9:30 am - Mindee Birstiehl

June 11 - 8:00 am - Jan Noah
9:30 am - Mindee Birstiehl

June 18 - 8:00 am - Peggy Baney
9:30 am - Mindee Birstiehl

June 25 - 8:00 am - Peggy Baney
9:30 am - Mindee Birstiehl

June Acolytes:

June 4 - 8:00 am - Brianna Danley
11:00 am - Chandler Christensen

June 11 - 8:00 am - Tristen Miller
11:00 am - Eero Larson

June 18 - 8:00 am - Brody Konz
11:00 am - Elijah Richards

June 25 - 8:00 am - Olivia Lorang
11:00 am - Henry Slavens

June 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

June Lay Readers:

June 4 - 8:00 am - Dan Peters
9:30 am - Bob Seidel
11:00 am - Breck Miller

June 11 - 8:00 am - Larry Noah
9:30 am - Bruce Olson
11:00 am - Bryce Gammeter

June 18 - 8:00 am - Rose Foster
9:30 am - Ken Wickre
11:00 am - Chris Andresen

June 25 - 8:00 am - Dan Peters
9:30 am - Landon Keller
11:00 am - Cindy Hyronemus

Power Point Operators:

June 4 - 8:00 am - Eddie Jerke
9:30 am - Pete Illing
11:00 am - TBD

June 11 - 8:00 am - Seth Peters
9:30 am - Steve Feuerstein
11:00 am - TBD

June 18 - 8:00 am - Charlie Peters
9:30 am - Bruce Olson
11:00 am - TBD

June 25 - 8:00 am - Eddie Jerke
9:30 am - Pete Illing
11:00 am - TBD

Serving

Connecting Through Serving

June Birthdays & Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

1- Brayden Danley	9- Larry Bergjord	18- Westin Werdel
Karen Geske	Liz Slavens	19- Joanna Fischer
2- Kira Dahmen	10- Tyler Durfee	Aiden Schmuck
Bev Dierks	Tristen Miller	20- Jeanine Greenwood
Phyllis Hulzebos	Troy Miller	Kyla Holland
Kim Raap	Jordan Nelson	Carter VanHouten
Rich Ulses	Joseph Pruner	Bart Viss
3- Stacie Bleeker	11- Ericka Ackmann	21- Christian Ling
4- Mandy Cooper-Dumke	12- Thomas Jeans	22- Laura Gibbs
Lisa Glawe	Ian Mason	23- Taedyn Bialas
George Larson	Weston Mason	Alison Raaen
Jayden Thammavongkeo	13- Kristy Bridges	24- Troy Borchard
5- Jennifer Brosnahan	Kasen Irvin	Sara Carson
Rich Geske	14- Barb Amen	Ashley Currier
Tina Viss	Shandon Boe	Charles Mebius
Erin Woodson	Ryker Irvin	Nicole Sullivan
6- Gus Deeter	Natalie Niemann	25- Genevieve Perkins
Jessica Perkins	Elsie Swingdorf	Lenny Sand
Terry Pravecek	15- Ameriah Fraction	Barbara Schacht
June Schaefer	Kasen Irvin	26- Hudson Baloun
7- Dana Deeter	Chad Knudtson	Paula Naber
Lydia Sullivan	Laura McFadden	Caroline Krapf
Chad VanDenBerg	Ken Reuter	Michael Weigelt
8- Kim Arends	16- Shea Stein	27- Kathy Dathe
Doug Borchert	17- Casie McFarlane	Keenan Konz
Christine Parks	Mike Lindsey	Marilyn Seidel
9- Jennifer Johansen	Lauren Roerig	28- Olivia Bozzell
	18- Dean Dieren	Hallie Carlson
	Brenda Wendt	

ANNIVERSARIES

28- Katie Demaray
Ron Glawe
Jared Gross
Jackson Henry

29- Katrina Catron
Karen Montgomery
Kaleb Rosenbaum

30- Vicki Ulses

1- Rocky & Becky Boer
Dave & Cindy Hyronemus

2- Bob & Diane Nelson
Marshall & Darcie Reichert

4- Terry & Delores Brooks
Joel & Erin Quist
Clayton & Sharon Sonnenschein
Ken & Kelli Tucker

5- Travis & Mary Jo Graves

6- Greg & Tami Broekemeier

7- Ben & Jeannie Bertsch

8- Jay & Kristi Prouty

9- Blake & Hailey Jo Miller
Brandon & Katie Schmid

10- Bruce & Debra Weeldreyer

11- Kim & Lora Jundt

12- Darold & Elthea Danley

12- Mike & Courtney Davidson
Jim & Leesa Olander

13- David & Melissa Jones
Andrew & Heidi Mattson
Brian & Marissa McFadden

14- Steve & Gloriann Kueter

16- Pastor Aaron & Lisa Asmus

17- Clay & Stacie Noteboom

20- Doug & Jeanine Greenwood
Louis & Morgan Krabbenhoft
Troy & Tami Penrod

21- Bhrett & Peggy Baney

23- Bruce & Harlan
Ted & Emily Jackson

24- Ryan & Cerissa Ling

25- Carl & Evi Prah

27- Larry & Jan Noah

29- Mike & Kris Weigelt

30- Andy & Dolly Berg

"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

JUNE CALENDAR

Thurs. June 1

9 am Adult Bible Study
9 am – 11:30 am District Meeting - 'garage' area
5 pm TOPS

Fri. June 2

National Donut Day
No events scheduled

Sat. June 3

8:30 am Men's Bible Study
9 am Worship Team Practice
9 am - 4 pm Private Meeting - 'garage' area

Sun. June 4

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3– 12 gr)
9:30 am Bible Studies - **CHRISTIANITY 101**(James Rm)
11 am Contemporary Worship (+Livestream)
4:30 pm Asmus Small Group

Mon. June 5

7 pm Young Women's Small Group (meeting offsite)

Tues. June 6

6:30 pm Card Ministry
6:15 pm Private Meeting - 'garage' area
6:30 pm & 7:30 pm Memorial Softball Field H

Wed. June 7

6:30 pm HS Connect at Eastway Bowl
7:00 pm The Book Of Hebrews Bible Study

Thurs. June 8

9 am Adult Bible Study
5 pm TOPS
6:15 pm Private Meeting - 'garage' area

Fri. June 9

Women's Tea - Set UP

Sat. June 10

8:30 am Men's Bible Study
9 am Worship Team Practice
12noon - 5pm Private Event - 'garage' area
3 pm– 5pm Women's Tea - Worship Center

Sun. June 11

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3– 12 gr)
9:30 am Bible Studies - **CHRISTIANITY 101;**
THE BOOK OF COLOSSIANS
11 am Contemporary Worship (+Livestream)

Mon. June 12

6:30 –7:30 pm PICK-A-PARK Children's Ministry Event
at Spellerberg Park - Bring the family for
some outdoor fun

Tues. June 13

6:15 pm Private Meeting - 'garage' area
TBD Memorial Softball—Sherman Park

Wed. June 14

7:30 pm-9 pm All student Ministry Grog

Thurs. June 15

9 am Adult Bible Study
6:15 pm Private Meeting - 'garage' area

Fri. June 16

National Herbs & Spices Day
No events scheduled

Sat. June 17

8:30 am Men's Bible Study
8am-12noon Private Event - 'backyard' / 'garage' areas
9 am Worship Team Practice
1pm Servant Event - Watch for details

Sun. June 18 - Happy Father's Day

Campers and staff leave for Camp Minneboji
8 am Traditional Worship
8 am Bible Study -
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3– 12 gr)
9:30 am Bible Studies - **CHRISTIANITY 101;**
THE POWER TO CHANGE
11 am Contemporary Worship (+Livestream)
5:45 pm Serving at St. Francis House

Mon. June 19

*World Sauntering Day - take a stroll with a loved
one or good friend*
No events scheduled

Tues. June 20

TBD Memorial Softball—Sherman Park

Wed. June 21

6:30 pm HS Connect

Thurs. June 22

9 am Adult Bible Study

Fri. June 23

Wedding Rehearsal and meal

Sat. June 24

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

Sun. June 25

8 am Traditional Worship
8 am Bible Study -
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3– 12 gr)
9:30 am Bible Studies - **CHRISTIANITY 101;**
THE POWER TO CHANGE
11 am Contemporary Worship (+Livestream)
4:30 –5:30 pm PICK-A-PARK Children's Ministry Event
at Lower Tuthill Park - Bring the family for
some outdoor fun

Mon. June 26

National Chocolate Pudding Day
No events scheduled

Tues. June 27

TBD Memorial Softball—Sherman Park

Wed. June 28

6:30 pm HS Connect
6:30–8 pm New Member Summer Sessions Begin

Thurs. June 29

9 am Adult Bible Study

Fri. June 30

National Cream Tea Day
No events scheduled

Daily Devotion Opportunities

LW/ML 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.

*"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 understand-
ing, will guard your hearts and
your minds in Christ Jesus."*
- Phil 4:6-7

UPCOMING DATES:

New Member Summer Class Series:

Wed June 28, July 12, 19 from
6:30 - 8 pm, and Saturday Session,
July 15 from 8 am - 12:15 pm

OTHER CALENDAR ITEMS TO NOTE:

July 2 - Annual Outdoor Worship
and Picnic - 10:30 AM

July 12 - Gaga Ball Family Night

July 23-26 - Vacation Bible School

July 28 - Memorial Tailgating and
Canaries Game

August 2 - Gaga Ball Family Night

August 9-12 - Annual Sioux Falls
Lutheran Book Sale

September 3 - One combined
Worship Service - 9:30 am

September 10 - Fall Sunday School
Begins

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

Heart to Heart

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



(NOTE: Heart to Heart does not meet during the summer months. We will kick off fall activities with a picnic. Date to be announced. Watch for more information.)

UPCOMING EVENT

**Saturday, June 10th
3-5pm. Women's Tea**

Heart to Heart is co-sponsoring the Women's tea event with LWML. All women are invited. Register online or between Worship services in the hallway. A representative will be available to register ladies for the tea.

SIoux FALLS LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS! (PRE SCHOOL—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-a-kind community? Check out our openings for the 2023-24 school year: full-time high school English teacher; full-time middle school English teacher; full-time middle school social studies and math teacher; infant, toddler, preschool, & elementary educational assistants; part-time Eagle Care workers; substitute teachers. Learn more and apply online at www.sioxfallslutheran.com/careers.

Congratulations, Class of 2023!

Meet the Sioux Falls Lutheran School class of 2023 and learn more about their future plans at www.sioxfallslutheran.com/alumni-spotlight.

First Look Fridays

During First Look Fridays you'll receive the opportunity to meet our staff and students, tour the school building to observe learning in action, receive answers to your questions, and discover the value of investing in your child's future at Sioux Falls Lutheran School. **Informational presentations start at 8:30am with tours to follow. RSVP at www.sioxfallslutheran.com/first-look-fridays.**

MISSION & MINISTRY CONNECTIONS!

"But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well."
- Matthew 6:33

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.

Join us on June 17 at 1 pm for a service day. We will be assembling Hygiene kits that will be taken to the LWML convention in Milwaukee for the Orphan Grain. Hygiene is difficult to maintain in many countries especially when everything is destroyed from a natural disaster. These kits contain basic cleanliness needs and are shipped to help victims of natural disasters and to families in need around the world.

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.

Diaper Derby

It looks a little different this year due to construction at Memorial. We are gathering money in the baby buggy located on the kitchen counter to purchase diapers. We will take donations until Father's Day – June 18. Thank you for your generosity!

OUR MITE OFFERINGS AT WORK:

While our building is under construction, the Mite Box is located at the East entrance of the building. 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).*

6 from Memorial will CELEBRATE THE LORD OF THE NATIONS with Women in Mission in Milwaukee – June 22–25, 2023. Attending the convention will be Pat & Don Reichert, Darlene Sopko, Vania Asmus (SD District Young Woman Rep) Pastor Aaron & Lisa Asmus. Pastor Aaron & Vania will also be participating in the Tee Up for Mites Golf Tournament

on Wednesday, June 21. If you would like to make a donation toward mites, which will go toward the new mission goal, you may give it to any of those going or drop it off in the church office by June 18.

WOMEN'S TEA

Gather your mom, daughter, & friends for some girl time at our Women's Tea, Saturday June 10, 3-5 p.m.



Registration is open until June 4. To register scan the QR code, visit Memoriallutheran.net, click on "News"

then "Events", or sign up at church on Sunday, June 4.



**Lutheran
Women
in Mission**

Check out more info about the international LWML organization at LWML.org.



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Get Involved

Summer is finally here!! I'm not sure who is more excited...me or my children. I'm looking forward to spending time with family and friends as well as sleeping in. They are looking forward to relaxing at home, not having to worry about homework, and sleeping in. This is a time of year that seems full of possibilities. We were discussing our summer bucket list at supper last night. Riding four wheelers, swimming, and roasting marshmallows on a bonfire were a few of the items that we all agreed should be on the bucket list.

Summer is also a busy time at Memorial. Four Square groups have started up again and will be meeting through September. Memorial is hosting the 2nd Annual Fourth of July picnic on Sunday, July 2. VBS will take place July 23-26. Tailgating at the Canaries' baseball game

will happen on Friday, July 28. And as if that weren't enough... Memorial is in the middle of a church remodel. Yes, summer will be very busy at Memorial!

Before we know it, the shelves in the stores will be stocked with school supplies. However, I plan to enjoy every minute of summer while it is here. *This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24*

Blessings, Melinda Wood

"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 To
Jesus And You!"*