



MEMORIAL LUTHERAN

“Connecting To Jesus And You!”

Connection

April 2024

More Than What We Might First See

By Pastor Aaron Asmus

Rich Bimler, one of our church body’s early DCE’s, shared the story of two caterpillars who were passing by one another on a tree branch. While sharing a friendly greeting, they were distracted by a butterfly flitting and flying high above them. One caterpillar, shaking its head, warily said to her friend, “Mark my words, Anastasia, you’ll *never* get me up in one of those!”

Sometimes our vision and experience is too earthbound to recognize everything we truly are. But the Good News of Easter reassures us that we have more life to live than what we see on this side of the grave! Just as our Savior rose from the tomb on that wonderful Easter morning, so God promises that we too shall rise, even though we die! John writes, “Beloved, we are God’s children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when He appears, we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as He is.” (1 John 3:2, ESV) The assurance of our own resurrection is a promise straight from God!

Yet we are not promised new life just for the sake of our bodies. Our whole being is made new in Jesus Christ! “If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.” (2 Cor. 5:17, ESV) Indeed, our old sinful self sheds its homely cocoon; our renewed spirit in Christ emerges to soar with new-found freedom and forgiveness. We carry

and share the love and hope given to us from Jesus – not just for perfect living some day, but for refreshed living as God’s people as we still await our Savior’s return.

So, be ready, all you who still walk on this earth – you’ve got some flying to do in your future! But that’s not all. Be ready, people of God! It can be a bit scary, but we have more to live and give than we’re often able to see! We’re gifted children of God. Caterpillars may shake their heads and wonder how life could be anything more than getting through the day. But God’s children in Jesus see new possibilities of serving, loving, forgiving, and encouraging one another. Picture your neighbor. Picture yourself. Now start imagining how these possibilities apply for living your day today!

Thank you, Risen Savior, for giving new vision for life!

God bless your continuing Easter celebration as His dearly blessed and gifted children!

In His Love,
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.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.

“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

LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTIONS UPDATE:

The South Dakota District churches have voted to discontinue the required Lutheran Witness subscriptions for all members due to the large cost increase. Each church will now determine what will be done for their members.

Memorial Lutheran has now gone to a limited number bulk subscription. There will be a location on the slat wall under ‘Resources’ that you can grab a copy. If you would like to order your own subscription for home delivery, visit cph.org and type *Lutheran Witness* in the search bar. Click on ‘Individual issue’ and then near the bottom of the page will be a box to click to set up a monthly subscription.

If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

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GREETINGS FROM OUR COUNCIL CHAIRMAN!

Hello! My name is Ken Tucker and I am the new Congregation Chairman. My wife Kelli & I have been members at Memorial for around 20 years. We have two sons, Christian who is a sophomore at Montana State University & Nicholas who is a junior at Harrisburg. I have previously been an Elder and also served as the Chairman 3 years ago. I've been an Usher and Communion server at the middle service for years and help out with the High School Youth Group. I am excited to see what the future holds for Memorial. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me or come up and introduce yourself. My cell # is 605-215-9929. God's blessings.

OFFERING SUMMARY - 2024

Giving thru Feb. \$ 170,913 March giving to date: \$ 123,143
Expenses thru Jan. \$ 174,049 Monthly Budgeted Need: \$ 98,165

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.

OFFERING UPDATE: Thanks to all for the generous contributions that have allowed us to pay off the building loan sooner than expected. With the building loan paid in full, we no longer have a separate "Reaching Beyond Fund." If you currently have an electronic contribution designated for "Reaching Beyond," please go into your giving profile on the Vanco site and remove or redesignate those funds. Any contributions that remain designated "Reaching Beyond," will go into the general giving fund and recorded on your giving statement as "General" If you need assistance, or have questions, please call the church office.

Memorial Wish List

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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. |

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 Dan Amert, Outreach
 Casey Bialas, Trustee

Elders:

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

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.*

"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

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

Two Athletes Place and Break Records at State Powerlifting Meet

"I can do all things through Christ, who gives me strength." -Philippians 4:13
Freshmen Elyse Prouty and Anesha Bright placed first and second respectively in their weight classes at the state powerlifting meet on Saturday, March 16, and both broke state records in the process. Read the full story and learn how you can help support athletes like Elyse and Anesha by contributing to the Fit 4 Him Fitness Center Challenge: bit.ly/sfls-athletes-break-records-at-state-powerlifting-meet.

5th Annual Basket Bingo Night

Join us on Saturday, April 13, for an evening of bingo with fun basket prizes. Doors open at 6:00pm and the games begin at 6:30. Price to participate is \$20. Concessions will be available. Learn more: bit.ly/sfls-5th-annual-basket-bingo.

25th Anniversary of the Celebrate His Gifts Gala

Mark your calendar and plan to join us on Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024, at the Sanford Barn (2510 East 54th St N, Sioux Falls, SD 57104) for the 25th Annual Celebrate His Gifts Gala (formerly known as Hearts on Fire). In celebration of the gala's 25th year, we have some special nostalgic surprises in store. We hope to see you there!



SIoux FALLS LUTHERAN SCHOOL

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NEWS FROM THE GARAGE:

"The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations."
Psalm 33:11

While I tend to feel that the season for letting go of senior graduates is very bitter-sweet in my heart, I believe that it's a wonderful season for seeing God's handiwork and the vocations He has already prepared. After Elijah showed the baal prophets God's mighty power and proved their god to be false—he ran and hid; terrified that he would die. But God in His great mercy set Elijah on a new path and gave him a purpose. God does that in our own lives too—He encourages us to try something new, only to discover how much we love it and the community it's provided. He sometimes also encourages us to let go of things so that we might make space for something better. Through our connections in His word, we're better equipped to see what he's doing in and through our lives for our own good and for the good of the Kingdom.

HUGE THANK YOU - Shoutout to our parents and students for helping to serve & fundraise during Lent & Easter! Special shoutout to Lisa Asmus for using her gifts to coordinate meals & keep me on track!

Save the Date for Senior Graduate Sunday: May 12th

Parents of students who are graduating this year please save the date. We're celebrating your student during the Worship Service, as well as at an Open House in the Garage, following the Late Service. Please RSVP with Hailey Jo.

NYG Meeting

If your student is interested in attending the LCMS Youth Gathering in 2025 and they're a current 7th grader-11th grader ('24), then join us for a meeting Sunday, May 19th, directly following the late Service. RSVP with HJ and I'll have lunch provided!

STUDENT CONNECT

High School Connect (9th-12th grade) meets every Wednesday, starting at 6:30pm. Friends are always welcome!
NO HS Connect until April 3rd!

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. NO MS Connect until April 10th!

"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."

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation Project Meeting: April 24th at 6pm in the Backyard. For parents and students who are close to being finished OR finished with their unit classes. We'll go over the final project information. Please RSVP with Hailey Jo.
Confirmation classes coming up: Bible History, Ten Commandments, Apostles' Creed, and Lord's Prayer.

9:20 SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

(For 6th-12th grade) Based off 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.

Important Dates:

Bible Study - Sundays at 9:20am
High School Connect—April 3rd at 6:30pm
Middle School Connect -April 10th -6:30pm
Confirmation Project Meeting - April 24 @ 6:00pm
Senior Graduation Sunday - May 12th

YOUTH & CHILDREN CONNECTIONS!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - INSIGHTS FROM LIZ

"Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts." Col. 3:16

I love music. In fact, as I am typing this and am listening to some classic Jars of Clay music. Music has ALWAYS been a constant in my life and when I can combine my faith with music it is even better. This verse speaks to me because I love that word DWELL, when something dwells in us, it means its stuck...just not passing through, but making a home and I want Jesus to dwell in me. I want Jesus to dwell in the children of Memorial. I want Jesus to dwell in all of my Memorial family. So sing!

Zingers - 1st & 2nd Graders are invited to be a Zinger & meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 6:30-8pm.
April 10th & May 8th we will meet for a lesson on the Basics of the Bible as we reinforce *The Story* as a church family.

Club 345 - Time for Club 345 (3rd, 4th & 5th Gr) to gather again! We meet on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month from 6:30-8 pm. This year we are exploring the Books of the Bible and learning what's all in the Bible. We have lesson, games, snacks, crafts...fun time just for these Club 345ers. **April 3rd & 17th** and finish the year with a pizza party on **May 1st**

THANK YOU SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF!!!!

So very thankful for the SS volunteers that come EACH Sunday to share Jesus and themselves with our Memorial children. Join in to thank the SS teachers for ALL they do!!!! Send them a thank you, give them a gift card, make them a meal... help me thank them for their service to our children.

Preschool 3 & 4's Lyndsey Miller & Lanae Larson
PreKinder 4 & 5's Josie & Ben Lorang
Kindergarten Peggy Baney & Emily Baney
1st Grade Andrea Schonhardt, Katie Demaray & Jen Johansen

2nd Grade Seth Peters & Grant Prouty
3rd & 4th Grade Joy Bendt & Dan Peters
5th Grade Jay Prouty, Quinn Stein & Elyse Prouty
Welcome Desk Shelley Miller & Terry Bendt
Subs: Elizabeth Larson, Erin Quist, Becky Bessman, Elizabeth Larson, Troy Miller, Ellie Nord, Kali Swift, Pam Messer, Jason & Lisa Bosley, Tara Topete and a few more parents that have stepped in to assist!

**Sunday School - Every Sunday
9:30-10:30 AM**

LEGO BIBLE BUILD WINNERS!!!

On Sunday, March 10th we had LOTS of LEGO builds on display. Folks voted for their favorites and these are the winners! Thank you to ALL that built amazing Bible builds and to all that checked them out. What a fun day it was!

Preschool & Kindergarten People's Choice

Simon-Elijah and the Fire Chariot
(Chapter 15 of The Story)

Garrett-Noah's Ark

1st-2nd Graders People's Choice

Tucker-Crucifixion Story
Tillee-Moses in the Basket

3-5th Graders People's Choice

Tyson-Parting the Red Sea
Ethan-Daniel in the Lion's Den

Family Builds People's Choice

Bannon Larson Family-Jesus Calls the 12 Disciples
Brock Anshutz Family-The Body of Christ
-Call called to serve God

Adult People's Choice

Bryce Gammeter-Parting of the Red Sea
Staff Pick-Most Unique Bible Story Build
Eli-The Widow's Offering

"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



As we celebrated Holy Week, the glory of Jesus Christ's suffering, death, and His glorious resurrection shines on us. The empty tomb is where Christians' faith stands on His firm foundation.

Mary Andresen and I have been chosen to be co-chairs for Memorial's Outreach team. The Outreach team assists in developing outreach events and coordinates and motivates members and non-members to share the love and joy of Christ at the different events.

Many people reading this article may view Outreach as sharing the love of Jesus outside of the church's walls or bringing people in for events at Memorial. I would agree that is the primary focus but should not be the sole focus.

Outreach is also about communicating with members of Memorial, both active and inactive, about outreach activities. We have numerous opportunities to participate and serve at Memorial. The challenge is to discover how our members desire to serve. It is not necessary for outreach to be completed perfectly, just do the work for Christ, give Him the glory, and reflect His face in all we do.

The Outreach committee is preparing to send a letter to members to discuss both new and existing opportunities to serve at Memorial. The committee will be tasked to follow up with the members to find out where they want to serve. When you receive a letter from Outreach, please take time to look in your heart at where Jesus wants you to serve Him.

In the Great Commission, Jesus tasks His disciples with:

"Therefore go and make disciples to all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matt 28:19-20.

As Christians, we are disciples of Jesus Christ and are commissioned to make disciples. To His glory, let us obey Him and declare His love both inside and outside of Memorial. As some churches put on their exits when leaving the church, "You are now entering the mission field." - Dan Amert

St. Francis House: Memorial will serve at the St. Francis House on Sunday, April 21st from 5:45-7:30pm. Sign up sheet is on the table in the hallway.

The Blood Mobile will be at Memorial on Sunday, April 14th from 9:00am-12:30pm



Help save a life. Give blood. Sign up near the front door.

Ongoing Collections:

- Used eyeglass, sunglasses, and hearing aids for the Lions Club. Place in the jar on the shelf by the gray slat board.
- Pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Place in jar on the shelf by the gray slat board.

Check out the Outreach board outside of the church office for ongoing and upcoming events.

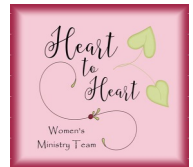
Questions? Contact Dan Amert: danamert@yahoo.com
Or Mary Andresen: maryacares@me.com

MISSION & MINISTRY CONNECTIONS!

Heart to Heart

Ministry To Women By Women.

We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 pm, for Fellowship, Study & Service. All women are welcome! In April, we meet on Tuesday, April 9th at 6:30pm. All are invited to join in this fun event.



LUTHERAN IN WOMEN (LWML)



The mission of the Lutheran Women's Missionary League South Dakota District is to provide women opportunities for spiritual growth and to equip and nurture them to use their God-given gifts to serve the Lord in home, church, community and the world.

The Diaper Derby is also fast approaching. The dates are Mother's Day through Father's Day: May 12 – June 16. Please donate diapers and baby wipes anytime during these dates. We will be giving these items to the Alpha Center. More on this next month!!!

We would also like to thank the ladies from Heart-to-Heart group at Memorial for helping us with cross-stitching crosses to give to the attendees at the District Convention in June. This is very much appreciated!

Our National Mission Grant Goal is \$2,350,000. We have received \$1,080,536.80 as of January 31. With that we have paid 5 Mission Grants in full and partially paid 3 Mission Grants! Praise the Lord!!

The South Dakota LWML Convention is in Aberdeen on June 7 - 8. We are looking forward to seeing old friends from across the state and meeting new ones as well. There will be a gathering of items for 2 separate organizations. The list of items needed follow:

SAFE HARBOR is a shelter and advocacy organization that provides services in northeastern South Dakota. Any of the following donated items will be appreciated: Ladies Deodorant - Brooms and dust pans - Shampoo & conditioner - Scrubbing Brushes - Facial Tissues - Floor Cleaner - All-purpose cleaner spray - Bath towels and Kitchen towels - Ziplock bags of all sizes - Swiffer starter sets - Disinfecting Wipes - Toilet bowl cleaner and toilet brushes

JOURNEY HOME Helping people who have the desire to achieve more physically, intellectually, and socially. Their goal is to provide struggling people in the community with a hand-up not a hand-out, based on the love and wisdom of Jesus Christ. The following donated items will be appreciated.

FOOD BANK: peanut butter, coffee, toilet paper & non-perishable food. **CLOTHES:** hats, any sheets, clothes for babies, elderly, men, women, and children. **USED ITEMS:** pots and pans, silverware and drinking glasses to give out when going on their own.

We will have tubs available for anyone who cares to donate to drop off your items.

Thank you for all the support we have received for all of our projects and in advance for the projects that are coming up.

God bless you with all He has planned for you.
Colleen Keiser, President

Serving In April

Serving Communion:

- April 7:** 8:00 am - Dan Peters, Rocky Boer
 9:30 am - Dan Amert, Dan Currier, Becker, Ken Tucker
 11:00 am - Al Herrig, Andy Schmuck, Joel Shaver, Paul Luetjen
- April 14:** 8:00 am - Dennis O'Neill, Rich Ulses
 9:30 am - Joel Bialas, Dan Currier, Terry Conrad, Rick Dierks
 11:00 am - Bill Cooper, Paul Wood, Jim Schmidt, Mike Mlnarik
- April 21:** 8:00 am - Kasey Danley, Rocky Boer
 9:30 am - Bob Seidel, Dan Amert, Don Becker, Ken Tucker
 11:00 am - Al Herrig, Bill Cooper, Joel Shaver, Paul Luetjen
- April 28:** 8:00 am - Dennis O'Neill, Dan Peters
 9:30 am - Dan Currier, Ken Wickre, Tim Miller, Alan Carlson
 11:00 am - Al Herrig, Paul Wood, Jim Schmidt, Mike Mlnarik

Power Point Operators:

- April 7 -** 8:00 am - Troy Miller
 9:30 am - Bruce Olson
 11:00 am - Jacob Richards
- April 14 -** 8:00 am - Seth Peters
 9:30 am - Steve Feuerstein
 11:00 am - Shirley Miller
- April 21 -** 8:00 am - Charlie Peters
 9:30 am - Pete Illing
 11:00 am - Mike Gilbride
- April 28 -** 8:00 am - Troy Miller
 9:30 am - Bruce Olson
 11:00 am - Elijah Richards

April Lay Readers:

- April 7 -** 8:00 am - Jay Prouty
 9:30 am - Janet Borchard
 11:00 am - Chris Andresen
- April 14 -** 8:00 am - Luke Hamann
 9:30 am - Nadine Bornitz
 11:00 am - Cindy Hyronemus
- April 21 -** 8:00 am - Dan Peters
 9:30 am - Ken Wickre
 11:00 am - Paul Luetjen
- April 28 -** 8:00 am - Rose Foster
 9:30 am - Tim Miller
 11:00 am - Shirley Miller

April Sunday Ushers

- 8:00 am -** Bhrett Baney, Jay Prouty, Bruce Weeldreyer, Matt Hieb, Rich Hartmann
9:30 am - Jason Bosley, Joel Quist, Mark Schoeneman
11:00 am - Jerome Heyd, Bannon Larson, Kim Arends

April Acolytes:

- April 7 -** 8:00 am - Caleb Quist
 11:00 am - Bode Larson
- April 14 -** 8:00 am - Cora Johansen
 11:00 am - Elijah Richards
- April 21 -** 8:00 am - Brianna Danley
 11:00 am - Eero Larson
- April 28 -** 8:00 am - Olivia Lorang
 11:00 am - Sophie Wood

April Accompanists:

(Worship Team - all 11 am Services)

- April 7 -** 8:00 am - Peggy Baney
 9:30 am - Kristi Prouty
- April 14 -** 8:00 am - Peggy Baney
 9:30 am - Kristi Prouty
- April 21 -** 8:00 am - Joy Johansen
 9:30 am - Kristi Prouty
- April 28 -** 8:00 am - Jan Noah
 9:30 am - Kristi Prouty

"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

"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

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

BIRTHDAYS

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| 1- Joy Bendt
Phyllis Bull
Greg Miller
Camryn Mebius
Katie Mlnarik | 2- Samantha Griebel
Rick Hanson
Jacklyn Mathiesen
Raina Weigelt | 3- John Cooper III
John Fischer
Sarah Glawe
Shanna Konz
Josh Mlnarik
Brooks Stein
Sophie Wood | 4- Kim Duprey
Gretchen Gammeter
Kurt Holdorf
Stacy Warwick | 5- June Stiles
Kelli Tucker | 7- Cheyanne Hays | 8- Maddox Joffer
Jim Nord | 9- Lindsay Kaiser
Heidi Krabbenhoft
Susan Ruml | 10- Paige Boetel
Dean Bornitz
Jason Bosley
Doug Foster
Jan Konop
Alyson Rozeboom | 11- Maverick Brock
Eddie French
Simon Hamilton
Jodie Parrish | 12- Amy Bozzell
Emily Jackson
Sharla Ratzlaff | 13- Mary Andresen | 13- Lisa Boe
Brianna Danley
Sarah Swingdorf
Riley Miller
Madysen Pravecek | 14- Kendall Johansen
Grace Letsche
Madelyn VanDenBerg
David Witte | 15- Kelsie Gehrels
Shamra Johnson
Kyra Knudtson
Sam Kueter
Elizabeth Larson | 17- Larry Noah | 18- Terry Brooks
Lisa Cooper
Nathan Meyer
Heather Sand | 19- Tyler Duin
Katie Steffen | 20- Andy Berg |
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| 20- Jaxon Lindsey | 21- Carsten Ling | 22- Caleb Quist | 23- Norman Jerke
Jason Mathiesen | 24- Adam Asmus | 24- Peggy Baney
Lorna Friese
Dave Hanson
Barb Knudtson | 25- Peter Illing | 26- Calvin Keller | 27- Stephanie Baxa
Gaven Warwick | 28- Emery Capouch
Brynn Nelson
Diane Nelson
Stacey VanWesten | 29- Matt Harsh | 30- Matthew Braden |
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ANNIVERSARIES

- 2- Joel & Cheryl Grams
 5- Chad & Jan Konop
 6- Dean & Nadine Bornitz
 7- Brian & Wendy Carlson
 9- Jeff & Rhonda Hubert
 10- Ben & Stephanie Baxa
 12- John & Shirley Fischer
 Steve & Marianne Perkins
 18- Kyle & Amanda Loudenslager
 20- Dane & Ronda Steffen
 21- Ron & Denise Greibel
 Al & Kay Herrig
 Chris & Erin Woodson
 22- Brian & Nancy Casey
 25- Terry & Lynda Boxdorfer
 26- Terry & Joy Bendt
 Brian & Mandy Dumke
 Tyler & Nicole Sullivan
 29- Scott & Susan Ruml

APRIL CALENDAR

Mon. April 1 - Office Closed

4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas
6 pm Young Women's Study
6:30 pm Young Married Couple's Bible Study

Tues. April 2

4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas
6:30 pm Card Ministry

Wed. April 3

8 am M/W Homeschool Group
6 pm Bells Practice
6:30 pm Club 345
6:30 pm Confirmation - Ten Commandments
6:30 pm High School Connect
7 pm Choir Practice
7 pm Adult Bible Study

Thurs. April 4

9 am Adult Bible Study
4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas
7 pm Elders Meeting

Fri. April 5

6:30 pm First Friday - 'Movie Night'

Sat. April 6

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

Sun. April 7

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am New Member Classes Begin - Isaiah Rm
9:30 am Bible Studies - "Special Presentation" - Café
11 am Contemporary Worship (+Livestream)
4:30 pm-6 pm Confirmation - 'Apostles' Creed'

Mon. April 8

8 am M/W Homeschool Group
4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas
6 pm Young Women's Study

Tues. April 9

8 am Tuesday Homeschool Group
4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas
6:30 pm Heart To Heart Ministry

Wed. April 10

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

Thurs. April 11

9 am Adult Bible Study
4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas

Fri. April 12 - No Events Scheduled

Sat. April 13

8 am - 12:15 pm New Member Saturday Session
8:30 am Men's Bible Study
9 am Worship Team Practice
3:30 pm Wedding

Sun. April 14

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am New Member Class - Isaiah Rm
9:30 am Bible Studies - "The Story" - café;
"The God Who Speaks" - Music Rm
11 am Contemporary Worship (+Livestream)
4:30 pm - 6 pm Confirmation - 'Apostles' Creed'

Mon. April 15

8 am M/W Homeschool Group
4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas
6 pm Young Women's Study
6 pm Quilting Group Meeting

Tues. April 16

8 am Tuesday Homeschool Group
4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas

Wed. April 17

8 am M/W Homeschool Group
6 pm Bells Practice
6:30 pm Club 345
6:30 pm Confirmation - Ten Commandments
6:30 pm High School Connect
7 pm Choir Practice
7 pm Adult Bible Study

Thurs. April 18

9 am Adult Bible Study
10 am "55 Alive" Lunch, games, fellowship
4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas
7 pm Church Council

Fri. April 19

4:30 pm Just for Kix - Make-up Session
6:30 pm New Member Game Night

Sat. April 20

8:30 am Men's Bible Study
9 am Worship Team Practice
11 am Private Event - 'garage' area

Sun. April 21

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am New Member Class - Isaiah Rm
9:30 am Bible Studies - "The Story" - café;
"The God Who Speaks" - Music Rm
11 am Contemporary Worship (+Livestream)
4:30 pm - 6 pm Confirmation - 'Apostles' Creed'
6:30 pm Miller Small Group

Mon. April 22

8 am M/W Homeschool Group
4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas
6 pm Young Women's Study
6 pm Private Event - Worship Center
7 pm Lydia Circle

Tues. April 23

8 am Tuesday Homeschool Group
4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas
6 pm Private Event - Worship Center

Wed. April 24

8 am M/W Homeschool Group
5:30 pm Confirmation Project Meeting
6 pm Bells Practice
6:30 pm Middle School Connect
6:30 pm High School Connect
7 pm Choir Practice
7 pm Adult Bible Study

Thurs. April 25

9 am Adult Bible Study

Fri. April 26

9 am-12 noon Quilting Group - Isaiah Rm.

Sat. April 27

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

Sun. April 28 - New Member Welcome

Directory Photos - For those who want to update them

8 am Traditional Worship
9:30 am Blended Worship
9:30 am Sunday School (ages 3- 12 gr)
9:30 am Bible Studies - "The Story" - café;
"The God Who Speaks" - Music Rm
11 am Contemporary Worship (+Livestream)

Mon. April 29

8 am M/W Homeschool Group
4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas
6 pm Young Women's Study

Tues. April 30

4 pm Just For Kix - 'backyard/garage' areas

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

- Romans 10:17

Bible Studies at Memorial

9:30 AM SUNDAY BIBLE STUDIES -

"The God Who Speaks" led by Chris Andresen (music rm). (Beginning May 5, "The Parables Of Jesus"); "THE STORY" - in the café.

THURSDAY MORNING ADULT STUDY - "The Story" 9:00am in the café

SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S STUDY - 8:30am

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. Go to LWML.org & click on resources; Lutheran Hour Ministries. Go to lh.org, click on News/Resources. Scroll down to Daily Devotions.

MEMBERSHIP AT MEMORIAL

Are you or someone you know interested in finding out more about Memorial Lutheran Church? Who we are? What we believe? Why is membership important? For more information contact the church office at 605-334-7133 or info@memoriallutheran.net.



"You are chosen people, . . . people who belong to God. You were chosen to tell about the excellent qualities of God, who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light." —1 Pet. 2:9

**SPRING NEW MEMBER CLASSES BEGIN
APRIL 7TH AT 9:00 AM - ISAIAH ROOM**

REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.MEMORIALLUTHERAN.NET OR PICK UP A BROCHURES FROM THE SLAT WALL ACROSS FROM THE OFFICE.

*"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*



The Sioux Falls Blood Mobile will be at Memorial on April 14 9am – 12:30pm. Sign-Up on the table in the front entry.

First Friday Fellowship

Movie Night



FRIDAY

Grab your family & friends and join us for a fun Free Movie Night.

April 5
at Memorial Lutheran

No Charge
for this event.

6:30-8:30 pm



"Connecting To Jesus And You"

Update Church Directory Pictures

APRIL 28

CONTACT MELINDA WOOD WITH QUESTIONS

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

55 Alive

A fellowship group for members who are young at heart

10 AM

Cafe Logos

Come together for games, food, and fellowship

The 3rd Thursday of each month

We meet next on April 18th.



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Spring Is In The Air

The weather these past few days has felt like winter, but according to the calendar spring is here. I'm ready to clean up my yard, deep clean my house, and plant a few flowers. I look forward to the birds chirping and trees budding. Spring is also the time of year when my kids' school calendar starts to fill up...track, tennis, and softball get added to the weekly schedule. There are also spring concerts, field trips, and field days. This is certainly a busy season.

It is also a busy season at Memorial.

- **April 5: 'A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood'** will be shown for First Friday Fellowship. Bring a lawn chair or a blanket and join us in the Garage as we celebrate the life of Fred Rogers, the man known as Mr. Rogers. Popcorn and rootbeer floats will be available. The movie starts at 6:30pm.
- **April 15:** Come learn more about Memorial's newest outreach ministry...a **sewing/quilting group**. We will meet at 6:30pm that evening to discuss the group's goals as well as choose a meeting time. We are planning to meet a few times a month to make

quilts which can be presented to local and regional missions. We will also be accepting donations of fabric and quilting supplies to get this mission started. No sewing or quilting experience necessary.

- **April 18:** This is the third Thursday of the month and that means that **55 Alive** (a group for retirees and other seasoned citizens) will be meeting at 10:00am. A potluck taco bar is being planned and games will be played.
- **April 28:** If you haven't had a chance to **update your photo for the church directory**, this is your opportunity. Photos will be taken from 9am-12noon.
- **May 6-17:** Memorial will be providing snacks for Sioux Falls students as they take AP tests. You can provide prepackaged, individual snacks for these students as they test. Bring snacks to the church office. Thanks for supporting this outreach ministry.

Blessings,
Melinda



*"Connecting To
Jesus And You!"*

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.