Kindergarten Preview Planned At MVCA

A Kindergarten Sneak Peek will be held at Yankton's Missouri Valley Christian Academy on Thursday, May 2, running from 9-11

Upcoming kindergarteners (age 5 by Sept. 1) can spend the morning with Mrs. Frederick, MVCA's kindergarten teacher, to expenditure of the september of the sept rience the difference MVCA can make with its Christ-centered curriculum, small class size, and hands on approach.

This event is free, but RSVP by calling 665-4470 by April 30. For more information, visit www.mvcamustangs.org. A breakfast for Sneak Peek families will be served at 8:30 a.m.

Discovery Day Slated For Freeman Academy

FREEMAN — Freeman Academy is hosting Discovery Day 2013 on Tuesday, April 30, running from 12:15-3 p.m.

Discovery Day provides the opportunity for current fourth and fifth graders to experience a fun afternoon of activities at Freeman

Freeman Academy is a fully accredited private Christian school offering college preparatory education for students in grades 1-12. During Discovery Day the visiting students will have the opportunity to discover firsthand the educational and social atmosphere at the school. They will observe a variety of classes including music and art. The students will also have the opportunity to interact with current students throughout the afternoon.

Preregister by Friday, April 26. For more details and to preregister, contact Bonnie Young at 925-4237 ext. 225 or by email at byoung@freemanacademy.org.

Students currently in grades 6-11 are encouraged to contact Bonnie Young to schedule individual campus visits. An evening open house featuring Freeman Academy's 1-4 program will be held in May for parents of students currently in grades K-3.

Yankton National Day Of Prayer Events Set

The Yankton Area Ministerial Association will hold a National Day of Prayer Breakfast and noon prayer time on Thursday, May 2. The breakfast will be hosted by Yankton's First Assembly of God Church at 801 W 25th St. Serving begins at 6:30 a.m.; facilitated prayer starts at 6:45 a.m. and concludes at 7:45 a.m.

Those planning to attend are asked to obtain tickets through their local pastor or call First Assembly of God at 605-665-6362. Requests for tickets should be submitted by noon on Monday, April 29. A free will offering will be taken during the event to help cover the cost of the breakfast.

A noon prayer vigil will also be held Thursday, May 2 at the Yankton County Government Center at Third and Broadway. The public is invited to participate in the group prayer activities.

Additional information about the breakfast and noon gathering is available by contacting First Assembly of God Church at 605-665-

May Friendship Day Events Slated For May 3

Church Women United celebrates "May Friendship Day" on Friday, May 3, at St. Benedict Catholic Church, Yankton, at 1:30 p.m. This gathering of women from various churches is open to all. Preceding the worship service, "Fund-raising" luncheons will be

held in several homes, beginning at 11:30 a.m. Reservations and locations may be reached through Sacred Heart Monastery at 668-6000.

Choir Trip Planned For Europe

Vi Ranney has planned the third choir tour to Europe with a June 7 departure for Italy. Jennifer Powell, choir director at UCC (Congregational), will direct the choir and Ted Powell will be rehearsal pianist. Highlights of the tour include Milan, Venice, Florence, Siena, Rome, Naples, Pompeii and ending at the Isle of Capri. The choir is hoping to sing concerts in Venice, Florence and St. Peter's in Rome.

Anvone from the area interested in singing with the group, call Vi Ranney at 665-3596 for a detailed brochure.

Singers and non-singers are welcome on the tour.

Day Of Prayer Is An Opportunity pating to come and go

Associate Pastor, Kingsway Christian Church

"God Bless America" was a song that I first heard in grade school back in the suburbs of Detroit. This song opened with the words: "As the storm clouds gathered far across the sea, let us all be grateful, for a land that's free." Written by Irving Berlin in 1918 at the time of World War I, it became meaningful again as we saw World War II coming with storm clouds developing in Europe and Asia. We felt somewhat safe, as the oceans protected us from involvement in warfare on our own soil. Just today as I begin to compose this article another act of violence has taken place this week involving the Boston Marathon. A sobering realization is taking place that if we retain our status as a free nation we lose our security from terrorists.

As National Day of Prayer approaches on Thursday, May 2, the people of our surrounding community are invited to gather for the annual prayer breakfast. This year the breakfast will take place at First Assembly of God church on 25th Street at 6:30 a.m. At noon a gathering is planned to take place at the County Government Center at 3rd and Broadway. Planning calls for the gathering to be from 12:05-12:50 p.m., permitting all partici-



as their circumstances permit.

In Philippians chapter four of the New Testament we see the opportunity to set worry aside and realize peace. This passage found in verses six and seven reads as follows in Eugene Peterson in the Message//Remix, the Bible in Contemporary Language: "Don't fret or

worry, instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ dispenses worry at the center of your life.

Why a prayer gathering? Can we not all pray at any time and at any place? Indeed we can.. However just the presence of being together produces a comfort and encouragement for each and everyone of us to benefit from. This community testifies in its churches, both buildings and people, of the great heritage which built a very desirable

area to live in and raise our families. Yet, things are changing and often getting out of control as the Boston area is under a lockdown and in West, Texas, a chemical plant

has turned into a monster out of control. Seven areas of leadership are chosen. These are as follows: our government, the church, family, education, business, media and the military. We can ask God to give our leaders strength and wisdom as needed with the responsibilities they face. Often there are burdens and stress that we may not fully un-

derstand but God does. This past week America's beloved gospel singer, George Beverly Shea, passed on at the age of 104. Well remembered for his ministry with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association this servant of God ministered the love of God through his singing. We need to be reminded of God's love for us in these times. May I close sharing with you the words of the song itself, the Love of God.

The love of God is greater far than tongue or pen can ever tell, it goes beyond the highest star and reaches to the lowest hell...if we with ink the ocean filled, and were the skies of parchment made. And every stalk on earth a quill and every man a scribe by trade. To write the love of God above, would drain the ocean dry, nor could the scroll contain the whole, though stretched from sky to sky."

Exploring Grief As A Bridge To Healing

BY CAROLYN CLICK

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MONCKS CORNER, S.C. — There is no way we humans can exit this life without experiencing a considerable share of grief and

But Sister Ann Billard believes there are lessons that grief can teach people as they age, whether they grieve the loss of loved ones or mourn the passage of time and diminished dreams.

'Grief holds a richness of possibilities," she said. "Grief is not the end point, it is the bridge."

Sister Ann, a member of the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady of Mercy in Charleston, S.C., leads seminars on grief and loss, part of her lecture series on "Discerning the Call of the Second Half of

Life."

The Trappist monks at the Roman Catholic monastery have sensed a need for such discernment among those who come to Mepkin to participate in retreats and seek solace in the pastoral setting. As more and more South Carolinians live into their 80s and 90s, they want to help people find a clear and vibrant spiritual path

"It is so important but we can't do this alone," said Brother Guerric Heckel, — who was instrumental in organizing the lecture series. The 3.400-acre Berkelev

County, S.C., monastery, home to 15 monks who work and live in silence, has long been a place of contemplation and prayer to visitors, whether they come for an afternoon to experience a walk through the Mepkin gardens or stay for a longer retreat.

Founded in 1949 on a former rice plantation donated by publisher Henry Luce and his wife, Clare Boothe Luce, the Roman Catholic monks at Mepkin Abbey belong to the worldwide Order of Cistercians of the Strict Observance, commonly known as Trappists. They adhere to the rules of St. Benedict of Nursia, the 5thcentury monk who called for a life devoted to prayer, contemplation and simple work.

On Thursday, as she painted a path to confront unresolved grief and loss, Sister Ann drew her audience into the biblical story of the risen Christ on the road to Emmaus as a way to navigate through change. Christ comes in

the form of a stranger to two disciples in the passage recounted in Luke 24:13-35. He listens intently as they pour out the story of the cruel death of Jesus on the cross.

Being able to tell the story of death or loss "is very important in the grief process," she said. Slowly, as the stranger draws them out about the terrible events in Jerusalem and Jesus provides his own interpretation, the disciples come to realize that Christ's suffering and death represent the fulfillment of ancient scriptures.

What does Christ do? He begins to re-weave the story," Sister Ănn said.

As they walk with the stranger, the disciples begin to accept the reality of their loss, experience the pain, and then adjust to the "new now." When they invite Christ to stay with them and share a meal, suddenly "their eyes were opened" and they rushed with renewed vigor to tell Jesus' other followers that the prophesy was true and that Jesus was alive.

Too often, Sister Ann said, people cannot embrace a new energy because they are stuck, believing if they grieve alone or just stay busy that time will take away the

sorrow. Sometimes, people cover the hurt of death of parents and children, physical problems or health issues by withdrawing from others or abusing alcohol or drugs to hide their pain. But that cannot lead to true resolution until meaning can be found in the

"In re-investing in the new reality, we say goodbye to what was." she said, although she stressed that people will always have a relationship with "what was lost or who was lost." Sometimes, she said, it is therapeutic to write a letter to yourself that will explain or seek forgiveness, express love or lay out what, in hindsight, might have been done differently.

The Rev. Cathy Jamieson-Ogg, — on a five-day Mepkin retreat, said she gleaned wisdom that she hopes to use not only for herself but for her church, Trinity United Methodist Church in Blythewood, S.C., which is hosting a grief seminar beginning in May.

In today's fast-paced society, "I think there is sense that we've rushed through the grief process," Jamieson-Ogg said, when people need to be more patient and immerse themselves in healing.

CHURCH SCHEDULES

Abundant Life

ABUNDANT LIFE MINISTRIES, Pastors Butch and Barbara Hladky 517 Burleigh, Yankton, 665-0889. Open for prayer daily. FRI Shabbat Service 6pm Youth Service 7pm. SUN. 10am Worship

Alliance of Renewal Churches

LIVING WATER CHRISTIAN FEL-LOWSHIP,Sun. 10am Yankton Middle School (2000 Mulberry) Weds 7pm Prayer David Olson pastor. (605)260-2138.

Assembly of God

First Assembly of God, 801 W 25th. (605)665-6362 (office). SUN. 10 am: Bible teaching sermons WED. 6:30pm Midweek service and Bible study for all ages. www.yanktonassembly.com

Baptist

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH, 100 E. Douglas, Kevin Caskey pastor, 665-0066. SUN. 9:30am Sunday School, 10:45pm Preaching Service, 4pm Preaching Service. THU. 7pm Preaching Service.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH. 301 Ohio St., Wakonda. Dr. Calvin pastor, (605)267-1100. SUNDAY Worship. 11:00a.m.

HARVEST INDEPENDENT BAP-TIST, 100 W. 3rd, Mission Hill. Pastor Nathan Martin, 668-0708 (ch.) 665-1481 (home). SUN. 9:30am SS. 10:30am Worship. 5:30pm Worship. WED. 7:00pm Worship.

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YANKTON BAPTIST CHURCH, SBC, 607 East 15th St., Yankton, 665-7587. SUN. 9:30am Bible study, SS; 10:45am Worship. WED. 7pm Midweek service.

Bible Church

GRACE BIBLE CHURCH, 10:30 am Sundays Call Pastor Joel Finck more information. (605)760-4701.

Catholic

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CE-DAR COUNTY (Immaculate Conception), St. Helena, NE. Rev. Eric (402)357-2400. Mass:

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CE-DAR COUNTY (Sts. Peter & Paul). Bow Valley, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen (402)357-2400. Mass: Saturdays

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CE-DAR COUNTY (Sacred Heart), Wynot, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass times, Sun-

days 11am.

MOUNT MARTY COLLEGE, Peace Chapel, MMC campus. SUN. 10am Mass with the Sisters in the Bishop Marty Chapel. Public is welcome to attend.

SACRED HEART. 509 Capital, Yankton, Rev. Mark Lichter pastor. 665-3655 (office). SAT. 4:30pm Mass. SUN. 8am, 9:30am, 11am Mass. THUR. 12:30pm, 2:30pm and 7:30pm Confessions

ST. AGNES PARISH: SIGEL, rural Utica, SAT, 4pm Mass, confessions 1/2 hour before Mass Father Daniel

St. Andrew's Catholic Church Bloomfield, Nebraska Fr. Michael Schmitz, Pastor SUNDAY Mass-10:30 AM; 2nd, 4th, 5th TUES DAY Mass-8 AM; THURSDAY Mass-8 AM.

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> BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH, Menominee, Neb., Rev. David Fulton, pastor. SUN. 8:30am

ST. BONIFACE CHURCH, rural reeman/Idylewilde. APRIL WEEK-END Mass Sundays at 9am.

ST. COLUMBA CHURCH, rural Irene/Mayfield APRII WEEKEND Mass Sundays at 10:30am. ST. GEORGE CHURCH, Scotland,

SD. Sundays 9:30 am. APRIL WEEKEND Mass Saturdays at ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHO-

LIC, Fordyce, Neb. Rev. David Fulton, SUN, 10:30am Mass. ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHO-

LIC, Lesterville. SUN. 10:30am Mass. Father Daniel Moris. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC

CHURCH, Constance, Neb., Fr. David Fulton, pastor. SAT. Mass: 7:30pm.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC, Wak-Scott Trayner, 624-2697. SUN. 8:30am Mass.

ST. ROSE OF LIMA, Crofton, Neb. Fr. Michael Schmitz, SAT, Mass: 8:00am & 5:30pm. SUN. Mass: WED/FRI Masses: 8:15am. Confessions: WED. 11am-11:30am, SAT. 5-5:20pm.

WENCESLAUS. Tabor. (605)463-2336. Father Daniel Moris. SAT. 7pm Mass. SUN. 8:30am

THE HOUSE OF MARY SHRINE, 6-mi. W. Yankton, Hwy.52. Masses: Monday 8:30 through October. Masses Saturday 9:00 every Saturday. Rosary Sunday 4:00. Rosary Open 7 days a week for prayer. thehouseofmaryshrine.org

Christian

CHRISTIAN KINGSWAY Church,19th&Burleigh, 665-6317. Joseph Mason, Pastor. 9am-SS: Worship 10:15am. Wed.- 7pm Kids for Christ/Adult Bible Study. www.kingswaychristianyankton.org

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Church of Christ

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 1114 West 12th, Yankton, 665-6379. SUN. 9:30am Bible study; classes for all ages. 10:30am Worship.

Church of Jesus Christ

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LATTER-DAY SAINTS, 2300 Douglas, Yankton, Michael Maxwell (402)586-2645 Family History Ctr 665-0901. SUN. 10am Sacrament meeting.

Episcopal

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH. 517 Douglas Yankton Rev James Pearson, (605)665-2456. Sunday 9:00 Serenity; 10:15 Holy Eucharist and Sunday School. Wednesday Noon Holy Eucharist.

Evangelical

Cornerstone Evangelical Church, Pastor Oliver Omanson, Stewart Elementary School; Morning Service 10 a.m. Wednesday College Bible Study 1306 Maple Street. Mike

EMMANUEL CHURCH We gather together for worship every Sunday at 9:30AM at the Yankton Middle School (2000 Mulberry Street). (605)665-0404

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Stevens 665-8750.

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH NALC: 305 W. 25th, Yankton, 665-8848. Rev. Dani Jo Ninke. SUN: 8:30am & 10:45 Worship, 9:45 Sunday School.

Lutheran

FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN 44874 303rd St., Volin SD 57072, (605)267-2277. SUN. Worship Services 9:30am. Children's Education WED. Evening (WOW) 6:30-7:30pm.

FIRST AMERICAN LUTHERAN

CHURCH, AFLC 300 S. Carpenter

St., Tripp. (605)935-6941 9:30am

Sunday School; SUN. 10:45 Worship firsthope@santel.net **GAYVILLE-BERGEN LUTHERAN** Ralph (605)267-4342 (church) Church: 9:00am-GLC Worship, 10:15-SS,

9:15am-BLC SS, 10:30am-BLC

Worship.

OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN, rural Irene. 263-3724. SUN. 9am



Lutheran

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH, AFLC 200 South Wilson, Delmont. (605)935-6941. SUN 9am Worship. firsthope@santel.net

Martinus Lutheran Church, Utica. Pastor Dean Schroeder Sunday Di-Service 10:30am (605)589-3195 www.MartinusLutheran.org

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LCMS, 12th and Elm, Springfield. Rev. Kenneth Johnson, pastor. SUN. 8am Worship. 9am SS. THUR. 7pm Adult Bible study. Prince of Peace Lutheran Church,

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Street, Yankton. Pastor Christian (605)665-4793. Sunday 9:15 am Worship; 10:15 am Bible Study. South Dakota Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, MAIN STREET

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dall. Pastor Dean Schroeder. Sunday Divine Service: 8:30am (605)589-3195. www.StJohnsTvndallLCMS.org

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Sunday-8:15./10:45 a.m.;

CHURCH (LCMS), 1009 Jackson

Coffee fellowship-9:30a.m. TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Hartington/Crofton, NE, Amanda Jertson pastor; (402)254-6606. SUN. 9am Worship (Hartington), 10am SS (Hartington), 11am Wor-

ship (Crofton). TRONDHJEM LUTHERAN CHURCH (AFLC), rural Volin. 263-3841. SUN. 9:15am; 10:30am Worship.

VANGEN LUTHERAN CHURCH, Mission Hill. 665-5426. Worship



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Reformed

RIVERVIEW REFORMED, 17th St. & Burleigh, Rev. Rodney Veldhuizen, pastor. 665-9204. SUN. 9:30am Worship, 10:15am SS. WED. Youth group & adult choir.

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST, 722 Locust St., Yankton, 665-1032, Saturday Services: 9:30am & 11am, Pastor Nick Os-

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born (605)760-7791. Yankton Fruit Program. yanktonfruitprogram.org **United Church** CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH OF CHRIST, Newcastle, Neb., 303 Highway 12, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SAT. 6PM Church

7PM Worship. Second

CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, 301 W. Franklin, Hartington, NE, (402) 254-6563 or 664-5310, Gary Kimm, pastor, SUN, 8:15am

Church school, 9am Worship.

THUR. 2PM Ladies Aid.

PILGRIM CONGREGATIONAL UCC, 103 S. Elm St., Coleridge, Neb., (402) 283-4824 or 664-5310, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SUN. 9:30am Church School, 10:30am

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST. (Congregational) 210 West 5th St., Yankton. (605)665-7320 Dr. Richard W. Jensen, Pastor. SUN.-10am 11am-Fellowship, Worship. 11:05am Church School.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Crofton, Neb., 412 W. Main St., (402)388-4124. Pastor Les Parmenter. SUN. 10:00am Worship.



United Methodist

FIRST UNITED METHODIST, Yankton. Rev. Ron Johnson Pastor. 665-2991. Sunday, Contempo-Worship 9:00; Trad. Childcare 8:45-11:45. 8:30 UM Hour, KYNT.

GAYVILLE-VOLIN UNITED METH-ODIST, Rick Pittenger, pastor. 624-2179. 9am Worship Service. 10:00am Sunday School.

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