

Christian Home Schoolers To Meet Dec. 5

The Christian Home Schoolers will be meeting Dec. 5, from 10-11 a.m. at the Yankton Community Library.

All those homeschooling or interested in getting more information are invited to attend.

At last month's meeting, the students gave presentations on Favorite Farm Animals, The Civil War, Making a Heritage Quilt, Learning to Knit, Gymnosperms, Caring for our World and Making a Time Line of History.

Old-Fashioned Service Slated Dec. 6

MENNO — Our Savior's Lutheran Church (the Stone Church) of rural Menno near the James River is having an Old Fashioned Christmas Worship Service on Saturday evening, Dec. 6, starting at 7 p.m.

Join in and prepare for the birth of Christ. Come as you are or dress in older style fashion, from the 1800s, 1940s, etc. Lunch and Fellowship will follow.

Our Savior's Lutheran is located six miles south of Menno near the James River.

Menno Church To Hold Soup Kitchen

MENNO — Salem Reformed Church of Menno will hold a soup kitchen on Saturday, Dec. 6. Serving will be from 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Christmas Bake Sale Slated Dec. 6

The Women's Fellowship of the United Church of Christ (Congregational) will be having its 21st annual Christmas Coffee and bake sale on Saturday, Dec. 6. Doors will open at 1 p.m. and the bake sale table will be laden with everything from cookies, bars, kuchen and kolaches, candy, jams, snack mix, canned goods to gourmet desserts.

Enjoy homemade pie and coffee all set to a theme of "A Country Christmas" and take home your usual Christmas ornament made by chair woman Katherine French.

It's a Yankton tradition the first Saturday of each December at the church located at Fifth and Walnut.

Christmas Pageant Set For Dec. 13

The Yankton Seventh-Day Adventist Church as it presents its second annual Christmas Pageant and Carol Sing at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, at 722 Locust Street, Yankton.

Refreshments to follow the program.

For more information, call 605-505-0437.

Support Group To Start Again Jan. 12

The Divorced, Widowed and Separated Support Group will be starting again on Jan. 12.

The Divorced, Separated and Widowed group is a process designed to help those who have experienced any of these life change moments and would like some help processing those changes. The group is faith based, but non-sectarian and is open and available to anyone who has experienced one of these life changing moments.

The group meets at the Riverview Reformed Church building at 1700 Burleigh Street Yankton, on Monday evenings at 7 p.m., and will meet for nine weeks.

If you would like more information or to register, call the Family Education and Counseling Center 605-260-9284, or look on our website at www.fecccc.com.

Christmas: The Father's Plan

BY PASTOR TRACY HEADLEY

Faith Alive Church, Yankton

I always looked forward to Christmas with my family. Mom's excitement was contagious, Dad's ribs were awesome, and my sister always spent more than she was supposed to for the 'draw a gift' segment of our day! But Christmas really began to mean something more as my family and I came to know the love and salvation of Jesus Christ our Lord!

We learned and experienced that Jesus really is the reason for the season.

Luke, Chapter 2:8-14: "That night some shepherds were in the fields outside the village, guarding their flocks of sheep. Suddenly, an angel of the Lord appeared among them, and the radiance of the Lord's glory surrounded them. They were terribly frightened, but the angel reassured them. 'Don't be afraid!' he said. 'I bring you good news of great joy for everyone! The Savior—yes, the Messiah, the Lord—has been born tonight in Bethlehem, the city of David! And this is how you will recog-



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whom God favors."

How awesome is that?!

Where there was darkness — there is now light.

Where there was sorrow — there is now joy.

Where there was torment — there is now peace.

Where there was despair — there is now hope.

Christmas is God's gift of love and hope in the world!

Here is a Christmas expression of God's love derived from 1 Corinthians 13:4-7:

Love is patient and kind — It lets the couple with only a few items go in front of you and your bulging shopping cart. Love does not envy — your friend who gets mega-presents from everybody. Love does not boast — about the expensive bike, the game station, TV, and computer your folks gave you. Love does not attempt — to out-buy, out-wrap, and out-give the rest of the family just to impress. Love is not easily angered — when the young girl at the checkout takes forever because she is just temporary staff. Love does not delight — in the commercial bandwagon but rejoices with the truth of a baby born in the stable has become the Savior of the world! Love always perseveres — until the cards are written, the presents are all bought, the shopping done, the meal prepared and thanks is expressed for all the wonders and expressions of God's Love! Toys and electronics may break. Socks may wear thin. Clothes may go out of fashion. But God's love never does and never will!

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Fontanini Bethlehem Village On Display At MMC

A stunning Fontanini Bethlehem Village consisting of more than 400 pieces that was donated to Mount Marty College will be on display beginning Dec. 2 throughout the Advent season.

The village can be viewed in the MMC Boardroom, located in the Scholastica Learning Center (SLC), from Monday, Dec. 8, through Tuesday Dec. 23, from 2-6 p.m. Special weekend viewings will also be available Dec. 13-14 and 20-21 from 1-4 p.m. The public is welcomed to view the village at no cost.

More than 10 years ago, the Fontanini Bethlehem Village was donated to the college by Father Terry Weber of the Sioux Falls Diocese. The whole village took volun-

teers just more than 40 hours to complete the set up. It includes water features as well as amazing details of that period of time.

"This is much more than a nativity scene," said S. Maribeth Wentzlaff, director of Campus Ministry. "This is a depiction of what life in Bethlehem would have looked like at the time of Jesus's birth. It is an opportunity for the people in the community to further understand what it was like during another period of time and reality."

For more information on the village or to arrange for a group visit, contact Mount Marty College Events Coordinator, Wyatt Yager at events@mtmc.edu.

Mount Marty College Vespers To Be Broadcast On Christmas Eve

The Benedictine Sisters of Sacred Heart Monastery and the Mount Marty College Music Department will present their annual Vespers performance entitled "Et al" on Sunday, Dec. 7. The free performances are at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. in Bishop Marty Chapel on the Mount Marty campus.

"This year we are celebrating everyone at the manger scene; the shepherds, the kings, the animals, the angels, all who were there those many years ago. This Vespers performance will also place ourselves at the manger as we sing the carols that help connect us to that time and place, bringing us all to the manger," states Dr. Kenneth

Tice, Director of Choral Activities.

Tickets to Vespers are free and space is limited to 500 people per performance. Due to overwhelming popularity of the event, tickets are no longer available.

For those unable to obtain tickets to the performances, the event will be broadcast this year on radio and on television. The television broadcast will be on South Dakota Public Television Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, at 9 p.m. Central Time. Check your local television listing for channel information. The radio broadcast can also be heard Christmas Eve at 5 p.m. on KYNT 1450AM or online at www.kynt1450.com/.

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 FELLOWSHIP, Sunday 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. 6th St, Kevin Caskey, pastor, 665-0066. SUN. 9:30am Sunday School, 10:45am Preaching Service, 4pm Preaching Service. THU. 7pm Preaching Service.

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

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, SUNDAY: 9:00 Sunday School for all ages, 10:30 Worship Service. MONDAY: Service broadcast 7:30pm Channels 3 & 98. WEDNESDAY 5:30pm Family meal; 6:30pm AWANA, 7-8th Grade Youth Group; 7:00pm-9:12th Youth Group, Adult Bible Study. Associate Pastor Rick Slattery, Youth Pastor Adam Ansel, Children's Ministry Director Allie Klopenstein. www.cbchurch.com 2407 Broadway, (605)665-5594.

HARVEST INDEPENDENT BAPTIST, 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.

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

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Bible Church

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

Catholic

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Immaculate Conception), St. Helena, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass: Sundays 11am.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Sts. Peter & Paul), Bow Valley, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen (402)357-2400. Mass: Sunday 9am.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Sacred Heart), Wynot, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass times, Saturdays 5pm.

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 CATHOLIC 509 Capitol, Yankton, Rev. Mark Licher 665-3655 (office). SAT. 4:30pm Mass. SUN. 8am, 9:30am, 11am Mass. THUR. 12:30pm, 2:30pm and 7:30pm Confessions.

ST. VINCENT CATHOLIC CHURCH Springfield, SD5 SUNDAY 10:30am Mass; confessions 1/2 hour before. Father Joseph Forcelle, pastor. (605)-589-3504.

ST. COLUMBA Mayfield, SD. As of 11/15, SAT. evening Masses at Columba in Mayfield (rural Irene SD will be at 5:30 p.m. Advent Communal Penance Service at St. George Church on SUN, 12/14 at 7 p.m.

ST. AGNES PARISH SIGEL rural Utica. Mass time: Every 2nd, 4th Sunday at 10:30am in winter & 8:30am in summer. Confessions 1/2 hour before Mass. Father Steven Jones.

ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, Bloomfield, NE. Fr. Michael Schmitz, Pastor SUNDAY Mass: 10:30 AM; 2nd, 4th, 5th THURS: DAY Mass-8 AM; THURSDAY Mass-8 AM.

ST. BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH, 1500 St. Benedict Drive, Yankton, Father Ken Lulf, 664-6214 (church). Masses: SAT. 5pm. SUN. 8:30am & 10:30am.

ST. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH, Menominee, NE., Rev. David Fulton, pastor. SUN. 8:30am Mass.

ST. BONIFACE Idylwilde, SD: Sunday Mass 11a.m. (605)327-3438 www.stbonifacecd.parishesonline.com Advent Communal Penance Service at St. George Church on Sunday, 12/14 at 7 p.m.

ST. GEORGE Scotland, SD: Sunday Mass 9:00am. (605)583-4318. www.parishesonline.com/stgeorges cotlandsd Advent Communal Penance Service at St. George Church on Sunday, 12/14 at 7 p.m.

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

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC, Lesterville. Mass time: Every 1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday 10:30am winter & 8:30am summer. Confessions 1/2 hour before. Father Steven Jones.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, Constance, Neb., Father David Fulton, pastor. Saturday Mass: 7:30pm.

ST. LEO CATHOLIC CHURCH Tyndall Saturday 5:30pm Mass; Sunday 8:30am Mass. Confessions 45 mins. before each Mass. Father Joseph Forcelle, pastor (605)589-3504.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH Wakonda, Father David Roehrich, 605-624-2697. Sunday 8:30am Mass.

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

ST. WENCESLAUS, Tabor, (605)463-2336. Mass times: Winter Saturday 5pm & Sunday 8:30am. Summer 10:30am. Confessions Saturday 4-4:30pm Father Steven Jones.

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 4:00. Open 7 days a week for prayer. thehouseofmaryshrine.org

Church of Christ

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 1114 West 12th, Yankton, 665-6379. SUN. 9:30am Bible study; classes for all ages. 10:30am Worship. WED. Bible study 7pm. KDLT-TV 9am Sundays.

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 Sunday: 9:00 am Serenity/10:00 am The Holy Eucharist. Wednesday: Noon The Holy Eucharist. 10:00 Holy Eucharist & Sunday School.

Evangelical

EMMANUEL CHURCH We gather together for worship every Sunday at 9:30AM at the Yankton Middle School (2000 Mulberry). www.emmanuelyankton.com (605)760-1143

KINGSWAY CHRISTIAN Church, 19th & Burleigh, 665-6317. 9am-SS; Worship 10:15am, 6pm Bible Study Videos, Wed. - 6:30pm Kids for Christ/Adult Bible Study. www.kingswaychristianyankton.org

Lutheran

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH NALC: 305 W. 25th, Yankton, 665-8848. Rev. Dani Jo Ninke. SAT 5:30pm worship service. SUN: 9am worship service. FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN, 44874 303rd St., Volin SD 57072, (605)267-2277. SUN. Worship Services 9:30am. Children's Education 3:00am. 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 firstshope@santel.net

GAYVILLE-BERGEN LUTHERAN (605)267-4342, Worship: 9:00am-GLC Worship, 10:15am GLC SS, 9:15am BLC SS, 10:30am-BLC Worship.

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH, AFLC 200 South Wilson, Delmont. (605)935-6941. SUN 9am Worship. 10am Sunday school. firstshope@santel.net

MARTINUS LUTHERAN CHURCH, Utica. Pastor Dean Schroeder Sunday Divine Service 10:30am (605)589-3195 www.MartinusLutheran.org

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

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN, LCMS/NALC, Menno. Pastor Theresa Jacobson Office 605-387-5241 Worship Saturdays 7pm.

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN, LCMS, 12th and Elm, Springfield. Rev. Kenneth Johnson, pastor. SUN. 8am Worship. 9am SS. THUR. 7pm Adult Bible study.

PRINCE OF PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH, Wisconsin Synod, 201 E. 25th Street, Yankton. Pastor Christian Sulzle, (605)665-4793. Sunday 9:15 am Worship; 10:15 am Bible Study.

SOUTH DAKOTA LUTHERAN CHURCH Missouri Synod, MAIN STREET LIVING television program, 10a.m. (CST) on KDLT-NBC; and 11a.m. (CST) on KAUN-PAX; and 10a.m. (MST) on KKRA-PAX.

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH, Tyndall. Pastor Dean Schroeder. Sunday Divine Service: 8:30am; 10:00am Sunday School. (605)589-3195. www.StJohnsTyndallLCMS.org

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS), 1009 Jackson. David Gunderson, Pastor. SUN. 8am Worship, 9:15am Education Hour, 10:30am Worship.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, 403 Broadway, Yankton, 665-7415. Contemporary Service Sat. 5:30pm & Sun. 8:15; Sunday School/Coffee Sun. 9:30am; Traditional Service Sun. 10:45am; Classes Wed. 6:30pm

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Hartington/Crofton, NE, Amanda Jertson pastor; (402)254-6606. SUN. 9am Worship (Hartington), 10am SS (Hartington), 11am Worship (Crofton).

TRONDHEJEM LUTHERAN CHURCH (AFLC), rural Volin. 263-3841. Sunday 9:15am; 10:30am Worship.

VANGEN LUTHERAN CHURCH, Mission Hill. 665-5426. Worship 10:30am. Sunday School 9:30am.

Non-Denominational

DISCOVERY CHURCH 2901 Douglas, Yankton. (605)689-2211. Pastor Jon Cooke discoverychurchoffice@gmail.com SUN: 9:45 fellowship, 10:30 worship. www.discoverychurchyankton.org

FAITH ALIVE, 501 Cedar St., Yankton. 665-4797. Contemporary Worship & Family Values. SUN: 10am service. WED. 7pm Care-Cells "Small Groups For Building Relationships" Various Locations.

GLORY CHRISTIAN CENTER, 901 E 11th St. Yankton. Gail Ryken, pastor, 665-2369. SUN. 10am Service. WED. 6pm Prayer. GC School, call (605)665-1988.

Presbyterian

PEACE PRESBYTERIAN (PC/USA), 206 E. 31st. 665-0448. Sunday 11:30am worship. Coffee 11am. Aired at 8pm Fri. on Ch. 3 & 98.

Reformed

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

Seventh-Day

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST, 722 Locust St., Yankton, 665-1032. Worship Services: Saturday 9:30am & 11am. Pastor Nick Osborn (605)760-7791. Yankton Fruit Program. yanktonfruitprogram.org

United Church

CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Newcastle, Neb., 303 Highway 12, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SAT. 6PM Church school, 7PM Worship. Second THUR. 2PM Ladies Aid.

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UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Crofton, NE., 412 W. Main St., (402)388-4124, Pastor Rev. Woodrow Weidner SUN. 10:00am Worship.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, 301 W. Franklin, Hartington, NE, (402) 254-6563 or 664-5310, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SUN. 8:15am Church school, 9am Worship.

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 Worship.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, (Congregational) 210 West 5th St., Yankton. (605)665-7320 Rev. Molly Carlson, Pastor. SUN. 8:45am and 11am Worship, 9:50am-Fellowship, 10am Church School.

United Methodist

FIRST UNITED METHODIST, WAKONDA, IRENE, VIBORG

Pastor Judy Saylor. SUNDAY 8:30am Worship at Wakonda; 9:45am Worship at Irene; 11am Worship at Viborg.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST, Yankton. Rev. Ron Johnson, Senior Pastor, 207 W. 11th St. 665-2991. Sunday worship times: Traditional 11am; Contemporary 8:30am; Sunday school 9:45am.

KYNT 1450 AM Radio

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WNAX 570 AM Radio

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