

RELIGION DIGEST

Calvary Baptist To Host Babysitting Clinic

Calvary Baptist Church, in conjunction with Avera Sacred Heart Hospital, is offering a babysitting clinic on Saturday, July 17, running from 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m., for youth ages 11 and older.

During this one-day class, you will learn about safety, child development and how to handle a variety of situations that may arise. Parents are encouraged to attend a closing session from 2-2:30 p.m. There is a fee, which includes lunch and a backpack filled with many useful items.

Contact Laura Kotalik (665-5594) for information.

VBS At Kingsway Christian Begins Sunday

Take a journey back to ancient Egypt... without leaving the neighborhood! Experience Joseph's incredible faith journey from prison to palace with Joseph himself! Every day kids will talk with Joseph, sing, craft hand-made projects, play Egyptian games and eat Egyptian snacks.

This adventure is open to children 4 years old through 5th grade and runs from Sunday, July 18 through Thursday, July 22, 6:30-8:30 p.m. each evening. Come between 6-6:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 18 to register. There is no charge to attend.

Pre-registration is appreciated. Visit www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/yanktonkingsway to pre-register or call 660-7357 or 665-6317.

Kingsway Christian Church is located at the corner of 19th St. and Burleigh in Yankton.

So come and spend a while on the Nile at this year's Vacation Bible School!

Kid's Crossing: Mary And Martha Do Crafts

Kid's Crossing looks at the story of Mary and Martha as Bernice works on crafts for Bible school during the 10 a.m. Sunday, July 18 Main Street Living morning worship telecast may be seen on KDLT. The featured speaker is Rev. Albert Althoff from St. John Lutheran Church in Gregory, SD. The sermon theme is "Must Not Be Taken Away." The Main Street Living Choir will provide the hymns. The program is interpreted for the hearing impaired. Additional information may be found on the web site, www.mainstreetliving.com

St. John's Goes For High Seas Adventures

It's time for Vacation Bible School at St. John's Lutheran in Yankton! July 25-July 28 from 6:30-9:00 p.m. Join us for our "High Seas Expedition!" You'll enjoy fun crafts, great music, thrilling Bible stories, tasty snacks and meeting new friends! At St. John's, we provide a Vacation Bible School ministry that is a Christ-centered approach to teaching the faith. We encourage building relationships with people of all ages in Jesus Christ. Call St. John's at 665-7337 to register! For children ages 3 years old up to those entering 6th grade this fall. We would like to invite parents and families to join us for our "Closing Music Celebration" on Wednesday night, July 28 at 8:40 p.m. See you there!

Mount Marty Hosts Educational European Trip

Sister Cynthia Binder and Mount Marty College History Professor Dr. Rich Lofthus will be hosting an educational trip to Paris, Normandy, Brittany and London. The trip will begin Wednesday, Dec. 29, 2010, and run through Saturday, Jan. 8, 2011.

This European trip includes visits to historic attractions like the Louvre, Notre Dame Cathedral, Rouen Cathedral, Mont St. Michel, and Chartres Cathedral. World War II history enthusiasts will enjoy standing on the beaches of Normandy and visiting the Caen Memorial.

For more information, contact Sister Cynthia Binder at 605-668-1463 or cbinder@mtmc.edu, or Dr. Rich Lofthus at 605-668-1462 or rlfthus@mtmc.edu.

"Hero Headquarters" VBS Planned At UMC

Sunday evening, August 1st, is the kick-off date for Hero Headquarters at the First UMC at 207 W. 11th St. in Yankton. Beginning at 5:30 that evening with a light supper, parents and children are invited to come and register for 5 evenings of Super Hero Excitement. Sessions following Sunday night's opening will begin at 6:00 and all will last until 8:30.

Each evening there will be music, drama and fun! Superhero Maintenance Mac will challenge Water Woman, Pizza Man and the kids to join forces with God and learn about those amazing heroes in the Bible who have taught us ways to be heroes for God.

Craft projects will be featured for children to take home to help remember the Bible heroes and to continue to try and be like them.

Opportunities will be opened for the children to become Heroes of the Day and provide inspiration or beauty to others in our community.

For 5 evenings from 6-8:30 p.m. there will be large and small groups excitedly cooperating with and competing against one another, nourished by a snack which will be accompanied by a Bible story.

It's a great opportunity for real-life kid heroes to get a start! Parents are welcome to be a part of this great adventure which begins on Sunday, Aug. 1 and continues until Thursday, Aug. 5.

To register or get more information, please call the church office at 665-2991.

Public Invited To Stephen's House Sunday

The members of Stephen's House will be sharing their testimonies and their vision for the future of Stephen's House this Sunday, July 18, at the First Assembly of God Church, (801W 25th Street, Yankton) at 10 am. Stephen's House is a discipleship ministry for men, typically men coming out of prison.

Sacred Heart's VBS Begins Sunday, July 18

Sacred Heart Church will be offering a Summer Vacation Bible School from July 18 - 23. The combination theme this year is: Prayer and the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary. The program is open to students in grades preschool - 12th. The pre-k and kindergarten sessions run Monday - Friday from 9 - 11 am. 1st - 6th grades go Monday - Friday from 9 am - 2:30 pm. Students in grades 1st - 6th will need to bring a sack lunch. 7th - 12th grades will begin Sunday evening and go through Thursday with each evening session beginning at 7:30 and ending at 9:30. The cost for Sacred Heart parishioners is \$10/student or \$20/family. Non parishioners are also welcome for a fee of \$15/student or \$30/family. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about Jesus Christ and get to know Him on a more personal level. Please call Dave at Sacred Heart Church for more information or to register: 665-3655

Grief Retreat Planned For Broomtree Retreat

IRENE — A grief retreat entitled "Loss of a Loved One" will be held at the Broomtree Retreat Center, located at 29827 446th Ave. west of Irene, Sept. 17-19.

Dr. Marcie Moran and guests will lead this non-denominational weekend retreat for adults reconciling their grief. Integrate spiritual, educational and experiential activities to help heal the loss and learn to live fully again.

Call 605-988-3775 or 1-800-700-7867 for registration forms and information, or e-mail mmoran@sfatholic.org.

Religious Digest Requests

Please send all press releases intended for the Religious Digest section to newsroom@yankton.net. Submissions received prior to noon on Thursdays will be included in the Friday section.

REFLECTIONS

Let Go And Let God

PASTOR KWEN SANDERSON,

St. Dysmas Lutheran Church, MDSP, Springfield

Mark 8:35 - "For whoever wishes to save his life shall lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake and the Gospel's will find it."

Let go and let God is to know God's heart When you die to self, is where you start. Jesus gave us his all, not just a part.

When the rain releases it's life in the sky, And lets it descend to ground that's dry, Then the rain answers it's question, "Why?"

When the seed releases it's life to the earth, And ascends to the light, to a plant giving birth, Then the seed's sorrow becomes the plant's mirth. When you lose your life for Jesus' sake, When you can give, more than you take, Then you discover that it's life you make.

"Live" becomes "Evil" when spelling it back. Love comes from living on a forward track. When you fear and hoard, how much do you lack?

What if we lived like we say we believe, That God gives freely, if we'd only receive? What assaults and burdens we could relieve.

When the weight on your back is in your mind When your clinging past won't be left behind, Then the forgiveness you're offered you won't find.

From start to finish, it's a divine romance, God's heart is breaking for us to dance. Life opens, like a flower, when you take a chance.

Grasping and clutching, how quickly we tire. Forgiving and giving, fuels life's fire. Jesus' releasing shows God's great desire.

An Eagle flies because it trusts what's not sight. A seed dies to it's life, believing in light. Winter dies to Spring, that's when life's right.

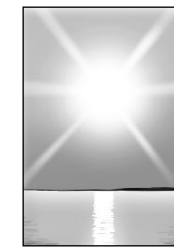
What is today, but night losing to morning. The old must let go, for the new to be borning. There comes resurrection, at the end of mourning.

This pattern in life, if you look, is so clear. We humans make, needlessly, ungrounded fear. The truth is so simple - God is here.

When everything's done, that's what Jesus stands for. An open life giving, will give you more. The riches you hoard, only make you poor.

Two thousand years later, the question remains. What would we have lost, if Jesus fled pain? His giving his life, was his, and our gain.

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REFLECTIONS

CHURCH SCHEDULES

Abundant Life

ABUNDANT LIFE MINISTRIES, 517 Burleigh, Lawrence and Barbara Hladky, pastors, 665-0889. SAT 7pm Praise and worship celebration. SUN. 10am Worship. WED. 7pm Worship. Teens prayer daily 10am.

Alliance of Renewal Churches

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

Assembly of God

ASSEMBLY OF GOD, 801 W. 25th, Jeff Mantz, pastor. 665-6362 (office). SUN. 10am Worship Celebration. WED. 7pm Midweek service and Bible study for all ages.

Baptist

*CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, 2407 Broadway, Yankton. (605)665-5594. Rev. Jon Cooke, Pastor Jeremy Nelson, and Pastor Terry Fort. Laura Kotalik, SATURDAY July 17 9:00 AM Calvary Kids Babysitting Class SUNDAY July 18 8:30 AM Intercessory Prayer Time 9:00 AM Sunday School for All Ages 10:30 AM Worship Service "A Disciple's Relationship to the World, Part 2" 4:00 PM Softball Game -Sertoma Park MONDAY July 19 7:30 PM Service broadcast on Channels 3 & 98 TUESDAY July 20 2:00 PM HSC Service 6:30 PM Women's Ministry Council Meeting 7:00 PM Governing Board Meeting WEDNESDAY July 21 6:45 AM Men's Prayer Time 1:00 PM Calvary Kids Bible Study 6:00 PM Intercessory Prayer Time 7:00 PM Quarterly Business Meeting THURSDAY July 22 7:00 PM Fire by Night (Women's Bible Study) 7:00 PM Celebrate Recovery FRIDAY July 23 NO Parents' Time Out 7:00 PM Cruise! 24/7.

BETHLE BAPTIST CHURCH, 303 Ohio St., Wakonda, Mike Lindsay, pastor, (605)759-5020. SUNDAY Worship. 11:00a.m. evening 6:00pm WEDNESDAY Bible Study 12noon.

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ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH, 221 W. 3rd, Kevin Caskey, pastor, 665-0066. SUN. 9:30am Sunday School, 10:45pm Preaching Service, 4pm Afternoon Service, THU. 7pm Preaching & Prayer Service.

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, Pastor Matt Green, 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, 31102 Walleye Drive (Corner of Hwy. 52 and Walleye Drive, just east of Gavrin's Point Dam road), Yankton. Joel Fink, pastor, 463-2070. SUN. 10am Worship.

Catholic

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Sts. Peter & Paul), Bow Valley, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen (402)357-2400. Sat. 8pm & Sun. 11am.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Immaculate Conception), St. Helena, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Sat. 8pm & Sun. 11am.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Sacred Heart), Wyolet, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Sun 9am Mass.

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, 665-3855 (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 Ulica. SUN. 9am Mass, confessions 1/2 hour before Mass.

ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, Bloomfield, NE. Fr. Michael Schmitz. SUN. Mass: 10:30am; TUE. Mass: 8am; THUR. Mass: 7pm. Confessions: THUR. 6:30-6:55pm.

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Catholic

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

ST. BONIFACE CHURCH, rural Freeman. For weekend Mass info see church bulletin or Rev. Matthew Vazhappally. (605)583-4318.

ST. COLUMBA CHURCH, rural Irene. For weekend Mass info see church bulletin or Rev. Matthew Vazhappally. (605)583-4318.

ST. GEORGE CHURCH, Scotland, SD. Rev. Matthew Vazhappally. For weekend Mass info see church bulletin or call (605)583-4318.

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

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC, Lesterville. SUN. 10:30am Mass.

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

ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC, Wakonda, Rev. 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: 8:30am. WED/FRI. Masses: 8:15am. Confessions: WED. 11am-11:30am, SAT. 5:52-20pm.

ST. WENCESLAUS, Tabor, (605)463-2336. Rev. Joseph Puthenkuttilil, SAT. 7pm Mass. SUN. 8:30am Mass.

THE HOUSE OF MARY SHRINE, 6-mi. W. Yankton, Hwy.52. Masses: 1st Saturday 9:00am, Monday 8:30am, Rosary: 4:00 Sunday. Open 7 days a week for prayer. thehouseofmaryshrine.org

Charismatic

YAHWEH-SHALOM CHARISMATIC, St. Benedict Catholic Church. MON. 7:30pm prayer meeting

Christian

KINGSWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 19th & Burleigh, 665-6317. Joseph Mason, Pastor. 9am-SS; Worship 10:15am. Wed-6pm-KS games; 7pmKids for Christ & Adult Bible Study.

Christian Science

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY, Sixth St. and Douglas St., Yankton. SUN. 9:45am Worship.

Church of Christ

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

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Church of Jesus Christ

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LATTER-DAY SAINTS. 2300 Douglas, Yankton. Randy Campbell, (605)565-2016. Family History Ctr 665-0901. SUN. 10am Sacrament meeting.

Episcopal

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 517 Douglas, Yankton. Rev. James Pearson, (605)665-2456. Sunday 8:30am Serenity Sunday School & Morning Prayer 9:30am. Monday Brotherhood of St. Andrew 9am, Vestry meeting 5pm. Tuesday Fermenting Faith at Doug & Phyllis Adam home 116 Quarry Pines 5pm. Wednesday 12Noon Holy Eucharist.

Evangelical

EMMANUEL CHURCH Yankton H/S Theater, 1801 Summit, Sunday Worship @ 10am. Pastors Dan Freng & Jeremy Mulder, www.emmanuel.yankton.com (605)665-0404.

Faith Alive

FAITH ALIVE, 501 Cedar St., Yankton, 665-4737. Contemporary Worship & Family Values. SUN: 10am service. WED. 7pm CareCells "Small Groups For Building Relationships" Various Locations.

Jehovah's Witnesses, 2215 Douglas, 664-2249. SUN. 10am Public Bible lecture, 10:35am Watchtower. WED. 7:30pm Bible Study, 8pm Ministry School, 8:35pm Service meeting.

Lutheran

CALVARY LUTHERAN, Irene. 263-3527. SUN. 9:30am Worship. 10:45am SS.

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH: 305 W. 25th, Yankton, 665-8848. Rev. Dani Jo Ninke. SUN: 9am Worship, SS-9:45am.

FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN, 44974 939rd 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 SUN. 9am Worship 9:30am Sunday School. firsthope@santel.net

St. John Lutheran Church, Tyndall, Pastor Dean Schroeder. Sunday Divine Service 10am (605)589-3195.

www.StJohnsTyndallLCS.org

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, 403 Broadway, Yankton, 665-7415. Worship Saturday, 5:30pm, Sunday, 8:15am & 10:00am. Coffee fellowship, 9:30am.

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

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

VANGEN LUTHERAN CHURCH, Mission Hill, 665-5426. Rev. Lance Lindgren, Pastor. Worship 9:30am; Coffee Fellowship 10:30am; Quilters each Wed. 9am; WELCA 3rd Thurs. 1:30pm; Senior Dinner first Thurs. 12pm.

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Lutheran

GAYVILLE-BERGEN LUTHERAN Pastor Ralph Egbert. Phone number: 267-4342 (church) Sunday BLC 9am; Sunday School 10:15am; Gayville Sunday School 9:45am; GLC 10:45am.

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH, 200 South Wilson, Delmont. (605)935-6941. SUN. 10:45am Worship. firsthope@santel.net

Martinus Lutheran Church, Ulica. Pastor Dean Schroeder Sunday Divine Service 8am (605)589-3195 www.MartinusLutheran.org

OUR REDEEMER LUTHERAN, rural Irene. 263-3724. SUN. 11am Worship.

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN, 29219 431st Ave., Menno, Rev. Bradley Danielson. SAT. 7am Men's prayer breakfast. SUN. 9am Worship. 10:30am SS.

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, Wisconsin Synod, 201 East 25th St., Pastor Werne, 665-4793. Sat. 6pm Worship.

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.

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. Joe Schulte, Pastor. SUN.-10am Worship, 11am-Fellowship, 11:05am Church Schl. Nursery Provided.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, 306 2nd St. (Congregational) Pastor Elaine Miller, Minister, Wakonda. Winter worship in the Parish Hall, 10am Coffee Fellowship.

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

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Non-Denominational

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

Presbyterian

PEACE PRESBYTERIAN (PC/USA), 206 E. 31st. 665-0448. Rev. Dr. Nelson Stone & Rev. Marilyn Stone. Sun-9:30am worship. Coffee & SS for kids & adults to follow. Aired at 8pm Fri. on Ch. 3 & 98

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