#### **Rev. Carlson To Sing At UCC**

The Rev. Michael Carlson, who you enjoyed in the Lewis & Clark Theatre production of the "King and I," will be the special music this Sunday morning at the United Church of Christ (Congregational).

Husband of Senior Pastor Rev. Molly Carlson, the classically trained tenor earned a Bachelor of Music degree at Chapman University in Orange County California, before he entered

Services begin at 10 a.m. at the church located at 5th and Walnut. Everyone welcome.

#### **PPC To Change Worship Time**

Beginning on Sunday, July 6, Peace Presbyterian Church will be changing their Sunday Worship time to 11:30 a.m. every Sunday. The Rev. Jennifer Swier from Sioux Falls will be preaching on most Sundays. She also serves the Presbyterian Church in Parker.

Swier has been serving churches and ministries in the Presbytery of South Dakota since 1999 and is presently leading a 1001 New Worshipping Community, His Way, which is an on-line ministry that reaches out to young adults ages 18-29 globally with groups of young adults gathering face-to-face monthly in local communities. Gatherings taking place currently include Sioux Falls, Brookings, Madison, Aberdeen and Vermillion. His Way can be found on Facebook at HisWaySD. A website is currently being developed.

Peace Presbyterian Church is located at 206 E. 31st. Street. If you have questions, call the church office 665-0448 and leave a message.

# What Is The Cost of Freedom?

tire globe. It's a war

that has claimed the

life-or will claim the

life-of every person

who has ever been

born. It is the war

against sin, death.

and the devil. All

these enemies, as

Jesus Christ said,

people are POW's of

"Truly, truly, I say to

you, everyone who

Associate Pastor, St. John's Lutheran Church

On July 4, 1776, the Second Continental Congress met in Philadelphia, PA, to sign the Declaration of Independence, which declared freedom for the 13 American colonies to gain their independence from England. Thus the United States of America was born. So today, most Americans will likely celebrate this freedom with backyard Bar-B-Ques, beer, and bombs bursting in air (that is fireworks)!

Many, however, will also remind us that our freedom came at a great cost. According to the Department of Veterans Affairs, 4,435 Americans gave their life for American freedom during the American Revolutionary War. Over 1 million Americans have died in defending those freedoms in war ever since.

But there is battle going on that you won't find in any war statistics and has been being fought since nearly the beginning of creation and across the en-



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commits sin is a slave to sin" (John 8:34 ESV); and the Word of God says that we are all slaves to sin, for "there is none who does good, not even one" (Psalm 14:3b ESV).

The good news is our "declaration of independence" from the enemy of sin, death, and the devil was signed long ago-not with the "John Hancock" of 56 patriots, but with the blood of one Man. And humanity's freedom also came at a great cost-not with the lives of a million people, but with the life of the Son of

God. Jesus Christ sacrificed His life on the cross-not just for a nation, but for the entire world-and defeated death forever by His resurrection from the dead, "so if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed" (John 8:36 ESV).

But this spiritual battle rages on, just as the American Revolution was fought for several years following the signing of the Declaration of Independence, until 1783, when America finally became truly free from England. And American soldiers have had to continue to go to battle to defend our freedom through war after war.

So too, we remain soldiers of the cross of Christ, defending the Christian freedom that Jesus won for us by His death on the cross and resurrection from the grave, until the Last Day when Jesus will come again to declare the final victory over sin, death, and the devil. Then we will truly be free forever, for Jesus said, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." (John 8:31-32 ESV).

## **Pleasant Valley Church Ice Cream Social Set**

VERMILLION — The women of Pleasant Valley Church will be holding their annual Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, July 9, running from 5-7:30 p.m. in the church basement.

They will be serving taverns, ham sandwiches, pie, ice cream and beverages for a free will dona-

Pleasant Valley Church is located at 45918 308th St., rural Vermillion. Everyone is welcome to attend.

# Why Did The Early Colonists Come To America?

BY CAREY KINSOLVING AND FRIENDS

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"The colonists came to America because they heard it was a free country. They came from neighborhoods that had problems," says Nathan, age 7. I wonder if you're thinking of Australia instead of

"Early American colonists came to America for freedom, God and gold," says Jenny, age unknown.

Legends of gold cities lured some of the earliest Spanish conquistadors to the Americas, but Natalie, 12, says many early American colonists risked hardship and deprivation for religious freedom: "In their countries, it was illegal to practice religion the way they wanted to. They had to do what their leaders ordered. "This posed a problem since those beliefs were not

their own. When they came to America, they established colonies where they could worship freely. The dream of freedom is what brought them to America.'

Any view of America's founding that omits the longing for spiritual freedom does not adequately explain why people left their homes for this new land. Question: In the four decades that preceded the signing of the Declaration of Independence, name the man who spoke to the most Americans: George Washington, Patrick Henry, Benjamin Franklin or Samuel Adams.

Have you ever heard of George Whitefield? I never had until I read about the Great Awakening, which Whitefield led on two continents (North America and Europe). Some church historians compare this spiritual awakening to the spread of the good news in the days of the early church when Jesus' apostles took the gospel to every corner of the Roman Empire.

Whitefield, 22, began preaching the necessity of being born again by believing in Jesus Christ alone for eternal salvation. Beginning with coal miners near Bristol, England, Whitefield took the message to the common people by preaching outdoors. As he preached, the crowds grew. On Sunday, March 25, 1739, it's estimated that 23,000 people in Bristol heard Whitefield preach.

When Whitefield came to America on the first of seven preaching tours, he preached from the courthouse steps in Philadelphia. Benjamin Franklin became fascinated with the carrying power of Whitefield's voice. He estimated that 30,000 people could hear him. Although Franklin resisted Whitefield's public and personal urgings to become a Christian, he became a lifelong friend of the famous evangelist and even printed his sermons.

From 1736 to 1770, Whitefield preached more than 18,000 sermons, averaging more than 10 a week. Dr. Rimas J. Orentas described the impact: "Through the

universal experience of the Great Awakening, we began to realize that we were a nation. This national identity was rooted in the conviction that we were a people chosen by God for a specific purpose.

'In the earliest prayer of the Puritans was the idea that their colony could be a city on a hill. Through the experience of the Great Awakening, the entire nation became a citadel of light in a darkened world.

The power of the gospel hasn't diminished, but its impact is often diluted by Christians who fail to share the good news with others and live out its implications in their lives. Can you imagine the result if every Christian in America told just one person a month about the saving power of Jesus?

Being a light on a hill as a nation begins with individual Christians becoming lights at home, at work and in their communities. Don't settle for letting your light shine for only an hour on Sunday morning. Live the adventure of taking the light of the gospel into dark places, where it shines brightest.

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## **CHURCH SCHEDULES**

#### **Abundant Life**

ABUNDANT LIFE MINISTRIES, astors 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. Middle School (2000 Mulberry) Weds. 7pm Prayer. David Olson, pastor. (605)260-2138.

#### Assembly of God

First Assembly of God. 801 W 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, 10:45pm Preaching Service, 4pm Preaching Service, THU. 7pm Preaching Service.

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**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. 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 K I o p e n s t e i n . www.cbchurch.com<http://www.cbc hurch.com> 2407 Broadway, (605)665-5594.

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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#### **Baptist**

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, Meeting at Pierson Ranch recreation area 10:30am Sundays. From Memorial Day through Labor Day. Call Pastor Joel Finck for more information. (605)760-4701.

#### Catholic

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CE- ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC, Wak-DAR COUNTY (Sacred Heart), Wy-Eric (402)357-2400. Mass times, Sundays 11am.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CE-DAR COUNTY (Immaculate Conception), St. Helena, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass: Sundays 9am.

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

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 Capitol, 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. 5pm Mass, confessions 1/2 hour before Mass. Father Steven Jones.

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. BENEDICT ST. CATHOLIC CHURCH, 1500 St. Benedict Drive, Father Ken Yankton,

664-6214 (church). Masses: SAT. 5pm. SUN. 8:30am&10:30am. BONIFACE CATHOLIC CHURCH, Menominee, Neb., Rev.

David Fulton, pastor. SUN. 8:30am

St. Boniface, Idylwilde SD: till further notice: Sunday Mass @ 11:00 a.m. Phone: (605)3273438 or http://www.stbonifacesd.parishe-

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

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ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHO-Lesterville. SUN. 10:30am Mass. Confessions 1/2 hour before. Father Steven Jones.

JOSEPH'S 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 Jo-Forcelle, pastor (605)589-3504.

-2697. 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. 5-5:20pm.

St. Vincent Catholic Church. Springfield. SUNDAY 10:30am Mass; confessions 1/2 hour before. Father Joseph Forcelle, pastor. 606-589-3504.

WENCESLAUS, (605)463-2336. Saturday Mass. Sunday 8:30am Mass confessions 1/2 hour before each mass. 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 Sun-

#### Church of Jesus Christ

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

#### **Episcopal**

Christ Episcopal Noon Holy Eucha-Wednesday rist; Sunday 9:00 Serenity; 10:00 The Holy Eucharist. Saturday June 14 9:00-noon Jesus and Buddha.

#### **Evangelical**

Cornerstone Evangelical Church: Pastor Steve McHone, 208 West 21st Stewart Elementary School; Sunday School 9:30a.m.; Morning Service 10:30a.m. Contact Mike Stevens at (605)661-0057.

**EMMANUEL CHURCH** We gather together for worship every Sunday at 9:30AM at the Yankton Hgh School Theater (1800 Summit). www.emmanuelyankton.com (605)760-1143

Larry's **Plumbing Service** 703 Burleigh St. 665-4322

#### **Evangelical**

KINGSWAY 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 SUN: 8:30am & 10:45am Ninke. worship services: 9:45am Sunday

FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN, 44874 303rd St., Volin SD 57072, 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: 10:30am-GLC Worship, 9:15- GLC SS, 10:15am-BLC SS, 9:00am-BLC

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

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

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

SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN, LCMC/NALC, Menno. Pastor Theresa Jacobson 605-387-5241 Worship

Brunch, SS 10:20am. 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

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, Tyn-

day Divine Service: 10:30am; (605)589-3195. www.StJohnsTyndallLCMS.org JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS), 1009 Jackson. David Gunderson, Pastor. SUN.

8am Worship, 9:15am Education

dall. Pastor Dean Schroeder. Sun-

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

Hour, 10:30am Worship.



#### Lutheran

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, 403 Broadway, Yankton, 665-7415. Worship: Saturday 5:30; Sunday 8:15am & 10:00am. \*No Sunday School for summer, but Coffee Fellowship still at 9:30\*

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH,

Hartington/Crofton, NE, Amanda

Jertson pastor; (402)254-6606. SUN. 9am Worship (Hartington), 10am SS (Hartington), 11am Worship (Crofton). TRONDHJEM LUTHERAN

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

Non-Denominational Discovery Church 2901 Douglas Ave, Yankton, (605)215-1898. Pastor Jon Cooke jon.cooke@discoverychurchyankton.org Sundays: 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. Aired at 8pm Fri. on Ch. 3 & 98.

**PRESBYTERIAN** (PC/USA), 206 E. 31st. 665-0448. Rev. Don Barbalace. Sun-10am worship, Coffee to follow. SS for kids 10:30am. Aired at 8pm Fri. on Ch. 3 & 98.

### 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

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.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST,

301 W. Franklin, Hartington, NE,

(402) 254-6563 or 664-5310, Rev.

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Gary Kimm, pastor. SUN. 8:15am Church school, 9am Worship. UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST. Crofton, Neb., 412 W. Main St., (402)388-4124, Pastor Rev. Woodrow Weidner SUN. 10:00am

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#### **United Church**

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 Rev. Molly Carlson, Pastor. SUN.-10am Worship, 11am-Fellowship, 11:05am Church School.

## **United Methodist**

FIRST UNITED METHODIST, Yankton. Rev. Ron Johnson, Senior Pastor, 207 W. 11th St. Traditional 8:30am; Contemporary

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

10am through Labor Day.

WAKONDA. IRENE. VIBORG. UNITED METHODIST, Pastor Judy Sayler. SUN. 8:30am Worship at Wakonda; 9:45am Worship at Irene; 11am Worship at Viborg.

#### **KYNT 1450 AM**

Radio KYNT 1450 AM Radio SAT. 10:30am "Saturday Morning Live." SUN. 8:30am United Methodist Hour. 9:05am "God's Good News."

#### 9:30am St. John's Lutheran Church WNAX 570 AM Radio

WNAX 570 AM Radio. Lutheran Shows-6:30am, 8am, 11am. Wings of Healing-7:30am. Words of Hope 8:30am, Prov. Ref. Church-8:45am. Voice of Prop.-9:30am. Hr. of Hope 10am.ChristianCrusaders-10:30am.

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