

**Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Fundraiser**

DANTE — Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Dante, is holding its annual Harvest Festival fundraiser Sunday, Aug. 9. Serving will begin at 4 p.m. in the air-conditioned hall with two serving lines.  
The menu includes a broasted chicken meal with homemade rollies, kolaches and desserts. Bingo, a raffle and games for all ages will also be available.

**Christian Academy To Host Open House**

Missouri Valley Christian Academy (Yankton) will hold two informative Open Houses for families with preschool and school age children for the 2015-16 school year. The first will be held on Sunday, Aug. 2, from 1:30-4 p.m. The second will be held the next day on Monday, Aug. 3, from 5-7 p.m. The school's location is 305 W. 25th St.  
Families will be able to tour the school, view the preschool through eighth grade curriculums, and meet some of the "MVCA Family" including staff members and parents. Refreshments will be served.  
Call 665-4470 for more information or visit the school's website at www.mvcamustangs.org. The first day of school at MVCA is Wednesday, Aug. 26.

**Trinity Lutheran Bible Day Camp**

Trinity Lutheran Church of Yankton will be hosting Bible day camp July 27-30, for K-5th graders from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. daily at Memorial Park in the concrete shelter at the corner of 19th and Douglas. Youth will gather all week for fun, fellowship and learning. All are invited to the Day Camp program to get a taste of camp.  
This year's theme is "No Matter What." To kick the week off, join us for an Ice-Cream Social on Sunday, July 26, at 7 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church to meet the counselors and fellow campers.  
Leading the learning and fun are a group of camp counselors from Lutherans Outdoors — NeSoDak. Lutherans Outdoors in South Dakota welcomes all to explore and experience Christ's love in community and creation. Day Camp is a ministry that brings camp to the youth in our local communities.  
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For registration information, please contact Pam at 665-7415.

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**Free VBS At Redeeming Grace Bible**

Set your compass for Camp Kilimanjaro this summer for a fun journey through the Book of Proverbs. It will be an amazing adventure where children learn that true wisdom comes only from the one true all-wise God. There will also be music, games, snacks and crafts to make. There is no charge to attend.  
This adventure is open to children three years old through high school and runs from Sunday, July 26, through Thursday, July 30, from 6-8:30 p.m.  
Check in at 5:30 p.m. Sunday, July 26, but pre-register online or call to register. Register your kids early and they will receive a free Camp Kilimanjaro T-shirt.  
Visit www.answersvb.com/vbs/redeeminggrace to pre-register or call 665-6317 or 661-0938 for more information.  
Redeeming Grace Bible Church (formerly Kingsway Christian Church) is located at the corner of 19th St. and Burleigh in Yankton.

**Reflections**

**How Great Is God's Love?**

BY PASTOR BOB MASON  
Redeeming Grace Bible Church

What is the Love of God all about? Is it what we are seeing around us today where we see expressions followed by hate and confusion? Are we to give top priority to please ourselves, a cause or a philosophy? Does it allow then for hate with those who do not share or oppose the view we embrace? Between the preparation and publication of this article I will turn 83 (July 23rd) and I wish to take this opportunity to share some thoughts and observations from over fifty years of marriage and ministry serving Jesus Christ. May I then take this opportunity to share with you some of the hard lessons I have had to learn?  
Scripture passages which I will quote here are taken

from Eugene Peterson's "The Message," a contemporary translation of the New Testament. John 3:16 is recognized as the greatest love verse in the Scriptures which reads here as follows: "This is how much God loved the world, He gave his son, his one and only son. And this is why: so that no one need be destroyed; by believing in him, anyone can have a whole and lasting life." Here is loved demonstrated by a father sacrificing his son, the highest price he could pay, for our redemption.  
Another passage found in the fifth chapter of the book of Romans puts it like this: "Christ arrives right on time to make this happen. He didn't, and doesn't, wait for us to get ready. He presented himself for this sacrificial death when we were far too weak and rebellious to do anything to get ourselves

ready. And even if we hadn't been so weak, we wouldn't have known what to do any way. We can understand someone dying for a person worth dying for, and we can understand how someone good and noble could inspire us to selfless sacrifice. But god put his love on the line for us by offering his son in sacrificial death while we were of no use whatever to him."  
Through the years I have seen over and over again where a triune god is active in the lives of believers through his defining, demonstrating and delivering to us the gift of salvation. Looking back I find that he stepped into my life when I needed Him and I did not know it at the time nor would I have accepted it. I find the impact shown here of the love of God in how different his motives are from ours. The one

certain outcome of our lives is death. Here we see the extent of the love of God and what it took for the father to turn his back on his son so that in his death and resurrection we find a gift offered to us of eternal life.  
There is a hymn written by Frederick H. Lehman in 1917 titled "The Love Of God" sung by George Beverly Shea which includes the following words:  
Could we with ink the ocean fill, and were the skies of parchment made, were 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.

**Event In Freeman To Support Worldwide Relief**

FREEMAN — People from communities scattered across southeast South Dakota and beyond will gather for a major daylong project to support worldwide relief projects titled "Sharing God's Gifts" on Saturday, July 25.  
The South Dakota Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Relief Sale will be held on the campus of Freeman Academy in Freeman. It will feature silent and live auctions and a variety of food booths and activities. All proceeds will go to Mennonite Central Committee, a global, nonprofit organization with support from Mennonite and Brethren in Christ congregations in North America. MCC strives to share God's love and compassion for all through relief, development and peace projects.  
Here's a breakdown of events planned for July 25:  
• 8 a.m. — Bike Race/Ride (12.5 miles)  
• 8-10 a.m. — Pancake/sausage breakfast  
• 9 a.m. — Silent Auction begins

• 9 a.m. — Booths open (crafts, bake sale, produce, etc.)  
• 9-11:30 a.m. — Arboretum golf cart rides for those with difficulty walking  
• 10 a.m. — Story Teller Norman Hofer (Sterling Hall)  
• 11 a.m.-1 p.m. — Food Court open  
• 12:30 p.m. — Live auction begins  
• Visit the Heritage Hall Museum free of charge  
Foods served at the noon meal include stewed beef, cheese pockets, sauerkraut, tamales, taco salad, fruit salad, spinach/strawberry salad, concessions with sloppy joes and hot dogs, pie, kuchen, ice cream bars and snow cones.  
This is the 27th relief sale held in South Dakota, but this year it has a new home. After being held for 25 years in Sioux Falls — three years at the fairgrounds and 22 years at the Arena — the event known as Minn-Kota Festival took a two-year break to regroup and emerged as S.D. MCC Relief Sale in 2014. Wanting this

to be a community event, the organizing committee chose the Freeman Community Center. But the event drew a crowd larger than expected and the facility was stretched to the limit.  
After researching other options, the decision was made to hold it in Pioneer Hall on the Freeman Academy campus. This campus is well known for hosting the annual Schmeckfest activities each spring and is well suited for hosting the relief sale.  
These 27 relief sales held in South Dakota have sent a grand total of nearly \$2.5 million to MCC for its work around the world.  
For more information about the sale, check the website at http://sdmccrelief-sale.weebly.com or call 925-7009. More information about MCC can be found at http://mcc.org.

**CHURCH SCHEDULES**

**Abundant Life Ministries**

**ABUNDANT LIFE MINISTRIES**, Pastors Butch and Barbara Hladky, 517 Burleigh, Yankton. (605)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) Wed 7pm Prayer. David Olson, pastor. 605-260-2138.

**Assembly of God**

**FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD** 801 W. 25<sup>th</sup> 605-665-6362 (office) SUN 10am Bible teaching sermons WED 6:30pm Midweek services and Bible study for all ages. www.yanktonassembly.com

**Baptist**

**ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH**, 100 E. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Kevin Caskey, Pastor, 605-665-0066. SUN. 9:30am Sunday School, 10:45am Preaching Service, 4pm Preaching Service WED 7Pm Preaching Service.

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH** 301 Ohio St., Wakonda. Dr. Calvin Jones, pastor. 605-267-1100 SUN-DAY Worship 11am.

**CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH**, SUNDAY: 9am Sunday School for all ages. 10:30am Worship Service. MONDAY: Service broadcast 7:30pm. Channels 3 & 98. WEDNESDAY 5:30pm Family Meal; 6:30pm AWANA, 7-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Group 7pm 9-12<sup>th</sup> Youth Group, Adult Bible Study. Interim Pastor Ralph Porter, Associate Pastor Rick Slattery, Youth Pastor Adam Ansel. www.cbchurch.com 2407 Broadway, 605-665-5594.

**Harvest Independent Baptist**, 100 W. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 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 15<sup>th</sup> St., Yankton, SD. 605-665-7587. SUN 9:30am Bible study, SS; 10:45 am Worship. WED 7:00pm Midweek service.

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**Bible Church**

**Grace Bible Church**, Meeting at Pierson Ranch Amphitheater (below dam on Hwy. 52). 10:30am Sundays. Memorial Day through Labor Day. Call Pastor Joel Finck for more information. 605-760-4701.

**Catholic**

**Immaculate Conception Catholic Church**, St Helena, NE. Rev Eric Olsen. 402-357-2400. Mass: Sundays 11am. Through August.

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

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church** Wymot, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen 402-357-2400. Mass times, Saturdays 5:00pm. Through August.

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church** 509 Capital, Yankton, SD. Rev. Mark Lichter 605-665-3655 (office). SAT 4:30pm Mass. SUN 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am Mass. Thursday 12:30pm, 2:30pm and 7:30pm Confessions

**Sacred Heart Monastery** Sunday 10am Mass in the Bishop Marty Memorial Chapel. Public is welcome. Mount Marty College 4pm Sunday Mass in the Peace Chapel, when school is in session.

**St Rose of Lima**, Crofton, NE. Father Michael Schmitz. SAT Mass 8:00am & 5:30pm. SUN Mass 8:30am. Wed/Fri Masses 8:15am. Confessions Wed 11-11:30am Sat 5-5:20pm.

**St. Agnes Parish** Sigel rural Utica. Mass time: Every 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 10:30am in winter & 8:30am in summer. Confessions ½ hour before Mass. Father Steven Jones.

**St. Andrews Catholic Church**, Bloomfield, NE. Fr. Michael Schmitz. Sunday Mass-10:30am; 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday Mass 8:00am; Thursday Mass-8:00am

**St. Benedict Catholic Church**, 1500 St. Benedict Drive, Yankton. Father Ken Lulf, 605-664-6214 (church). Masses: SAT-5:00pm. SUN 8:30am & 10:30am

**St. Boniface Idlywilde**, rural Freeman, SD. Sunday Mass 11:00am 605-327-3438 www.stbonifaceidlywildeparishsonline.com

**St. Columba Mayfield, rural Irene**, SD. Saturday at 6:30pm Holy Mass.

**St. George Scotland, SD:** Holy Mass Sundays 9a.m. 605-583-4318. www.parishsonline.com/stgeorge-scotlandsd

**St. John the Baptist Catholic Church**, Fordyce NE. Rev James Keiter. SUN 10:30am Mass. Mon, Tues, Wed, 8:00am Mass. 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 8:00am Mass

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**Catholic**

**St. Boniface Catholic Church**, Menominee, NE. Rev. James Keiter, SUN 8:30am. 1<sup>st</sup> SAT of month 8:00am

**St. John the Baptist Catholic Church**, Lesterville. Mass time: Every 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday 10:30am winter & 8:30am summer. Confessions ½ hour before. Father Steven Jones

**St. Josephs Catholic Church**, Constance, NE. Rev. James Keiter. SAT 7:30pm Mass.

**St. Leo Catholic Church** Tyndall Saturday 5:30pm Mass; Sunday 8:30am Mass. Confessions 45 mins before each Mass. Father Joseph Forcelle.

**St. Patrick's Catholic Church** Wakonda, SD. Father David Roehrich, Sunday 8:30am Mass.

**St. Vincent Catholic Church** Springfield, SD. Sunday 10:30am Mass. Confessions ½ hour before. Father Joseph Forcelle.

**St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church**, Tabor, SD Mass times: Winter Saturday 5pm & Sunday 8:30am. Summer Sunday 10:30am. Confessions SAT 4-4:30pm. Father Steven Jones.

**Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church**, Bow Valley, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen 402-357-2400. Mass: Sunday 9:00am. Through August.

**The House of Mary Shrine**, 6 miles West of Yankton, Hwy. 52. Masses: 9am. every Sat. & Mon. April-Sept. Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary before Masses. Rosary: Sunday 4pm. Open 7 days a week for prayer. thehouseofmaryshrine.org

**Church of Christ**

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**, 1114 West 12<sup>th</sup>, Yankton, 605-665-6379. 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 402-586-2345. Family History Ct. 605-665-0901. SUN. 10am Sacrament meeting.

**Episcopal**

**CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH** Sunday 9am Serenity, 10am The Holy Eucharist & Sunday School. Mondays 10:30am Centering Prayer. Wednesdays 7pm Meditation.

**Evangelical**

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

**Evangelical**

**Redeeming Grace Bible Church**, 19<sup>th</sup> & Burleigh, Pastor Raymond Solberg, Assoc. Steve McHone. 605-665-6317. 9am-SS; Worship 10:15am, 6pm Bible Study, Wed.-6:30pm kids for Christ/Adult Study.

**Lutheran**

**CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH** NALC: 305 W. 25<sup>th</sup>, Yankton, 605-665-8848. Rev. Dani Jo Ninke. SAT 5:30pm worship service. SUN 9am worship service.

**FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN**, 44874 303<sup>rd</sup> St., Volin SD 57072, 605-267-2277. SUN. Worship Services 9:30am. Childrens 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** 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. Firsthope@santel.net

**Martinus Lutheran Church**, Utica. Pastor Dean Schroeder. Sunday Divine Service 8:30am 605-589-3195. www.MartinusLutheran.org

**Our Redeemer Lutheran** rural Irene. 605-263-3724. Sunday 9am Worship.

**Our Savior's Lutheran**, LCM/MALC, Menno. Pastor Theresa Jacobson Office 605-387-5241. Worship Saturdays 7pm.

**Our Savior's Lutheran**, LCMS, 12<sup>th</sup> 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. 25<sup>th</sup> Street, Yankton. Pastor Winfried Schroeder 605-665-4793. Sunday 9:15am. Worship; 10:15am Bible Study

**South Dakota Lutheran Church** Missouri Synod, MAIN STREET LIVING television program, 10am (CST) on KDLT-NBC; and 11am (CST) on KAUN-PAX; and 10am (MST) on KKRA-PAX.

**St. John Lutheran Church**, Tyndall. Pastor Dean Schroeder. Sunday Divine Service; 10:30am; 605-589-3195. www.StJohnsTyndallLCM-S.org

**Trinity Lutheran Church**, Hartington/Crofton, NE. Amanda Jertson pastor; (402)254-9606. SUN 9am Worship (Hartington), 10am SS (Hartington), 11am Worship (Crofton).

**Lutheran**

**St. John's Lutheran Church** (LCMS), 1009 Jackson. Pastor David Gunderson. SUN 8am Worship, 9:15am Education Hour, 10:30 am Worship.

**Trinity Lutheran Church**, 403 Broadway Yankton, 665-7415. Contemporary Service SAT 5:30pm & Sun 8:15am. Traditional Service SUN 10:00am.

**Trondhjem Lutheran Church** (AFLC), rural Volin. 605-263-3841. Sunday 9:15am; 10:30am Worship

**Vangen Lutheran Church**, Mission Hill. 605-665-5426. Worship 10:30am. Sunday School 9:30am.

**Non-Denominational**

**DISCOVERY CHURCH 205 W 3<sup>rd</sup> Street**, Yankton. (605)689-2211. Pastor Jon Cooke discoverychurchoffice@gmail.com SUN: 9am Sunday School, 10:30am worship, 7:00pm Youth Group. WED: 6:30pm Discovery Zone for Kids. 6:45pm Adult Bible Study. www.discoverychurchyankton.org

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

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

**Presbyterian**

**Peace Church (PC/USA)**, 206 E. 31<sup>st</sup>. Rev. Jennifer Swier, 605-665-0448. Sunday 11:30am worship. Coffee 11am. Aired at 8pm Fri. on Ch. 3 & 98.

**Reformed**

**Riverview Reformed Church**, 17<sup>th</sup> St. & Burleigh, Yankton. Reverend Rodney Veldhuizen, pastor. 605-665-9204. Sun. 9:30am Worship, 10:15am SS. Wed. youth group & adult choir.

**Seventh-Day Adventist**

**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 of Christ**

**CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST**, Newcastle, NE, 303 Hwy. 12. Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SAT 6pm Church school, 7pm Worship. Second THURS. 2pm Ladies Aid

**United Church of Christ Crofton**, NE, 412 W Main St., (402)388-4124. Pastor Woodrow Weidner SUN 10:00am Worship.

**United Church of Christ**

**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, NE. 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 5<sup>th</sup> St. Yankton, SD 605-665-7320 Pastor Molly Carlson. SUN 10:00am Worship. 11:00am Fellowship.

**United Methodist**

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST**, Yankton. Rev. Ron Johnson, Pastor, 207 W. 11<sup>th</sup> St. 665-2991. Wednesday: 7pm - Contemporary Service Sunday: 10am - Traditional Worship Service. Through 9/6/15.

**First United Methodist**. Wakonda, Irene, Viborg: Pastor Judy Saylor. 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, 8:00am, 11:00am. Wings of Healing-7:30am. Words of Hope 8:30am. Prov Ref Church-8:45am. Voice of Prop-9:30am. Hr of Hope 10am Christian Crusaders-10:30am.

**MIX 106 FM Radio**

**Classic hits 106 KVHT FM Radio**. SUN.-THUR. 10:05PM Family Radio Rosary with Bishop Robert Carlson.

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