

'The Truth Project' To Begin Sunday

Focus on the Family's "The Truth Project" — a DVD-based small group study designed to equip believers with a comprehensive biblical worldview. Practically and personally, participants will be reintroduced to the truth claims of God.

Twelve 1-hour lessons discuss in detail God's design for living out the Christian worldview in daily life. Most importantly, it addresses the need to marry our actions to our core beliefs. What this curriculum does is nothing short of transformational. A lively hour of discussion will follow each lesson.

This study will start Sunday, June 5 at 5:30 p.m., with a makeup session Tuesday, June 7, 7 p.m. (Please allow an extra 30 minutes the first lesson.) The study will continue throughout the summer and into the fall on Sunday and Tuesday evenings, taking time off for holiday weekends and VBS. Space is limited so please register early. For more information or to register contact Doug or Lynette Auch, 364-7318, lynetteauch@gmail.com.

Trinity Lutheran Bible School To Start Sunday

Vacation Bible School is just around the corner. Get ready for a week of exploring God's word and learning how we can work together to care for creation!

Grow in faith. Have fun. Change the World! Join us at ReNew: The Green VBS!

Trinity Lutheran Church 403 Broadway Avenue, Yankton. June 5-9 will be for students just finishing Kindergarten through 6th grade. June 7-9 will be for 3 year olds through students just finishing Junior Kindergarten.

A meal will be served at 5:30 p.m. for VBS students and their families.

For more information or to register, contact: Pam at 665-7415. Don't delay! Register today! See you at ReNew: The Green VBS!

Cross Rock Ministries Presents Family Fun Night

COLERIDGE, Neb. — A perfect event for you and your family is right around the corner. In partnership with Cross Rock Ministries, Coleridge Family Church is hosting their first annual Family Fun Night in Coleridge, Neb. This great event will consist of inflatables, a picnic, and a concert with Sixteen Cities, Cord of 3, and Ernest Franklin. So come out and enjoy this free outdoor event in the Coleridge City Park of Coleridge, NE.

This Family Fun Night will be held on Friday, June 10 and will kick off at 4 p.m. with inflatables and fun activities. Then from 5-7 p.m. a picnic will be held and the free concert will follow at 7 p.m. For more information about this event, head over to www.crossrocklive.com or call 502-649-1924.

Summer Kid's Event 'PandaMania' To Be Held

A summer kids' event called PandaMania will be hosted at Stewart Elementary School in Yankton from Sunday, June 12 through Thursday, June 16. Kids will explore a bamboo forest filled with crazy pandas, as they discover that God loves us. Kids will participate in memorable Bible-learning activities, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, dig into yummy treats, experience electrifying Bible adventures, have experiences to remind them of God's wild love, and create Bible Point crafts they'll take home and play with all summer long. Plus, kids will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each day concludes with a Rowdy Wrap-Up—a celebration that gets everyone involved in living what they've learned. Family members and friends (also called Very Important Pandas) are encouraged to join in daily for this special time at 8:15 p.m.

Kids at PandaMania will share God's love with other children in Liberia, Africa. Through this mission project, children who attend Emmanuel's VBS will create special backpacks for needy children.

PandaMania is for kids from 5 years to entering 8th grade and will run from 6 p.m. to 8:40 p.m. each day. For more information, call Jeremy at the Emmanuel Church office at 665-0404. Pre-registration is appreciated. You can follow the link at www.emmanuel.yankton.com to register online.

Tours Available For Christ Episcopal Church

Christ Episcopal Church located at 517 Douglas Ave., Yankton have announced that public tours will be held to celebrate the 150th year of the church. Tours are scheduled from 2-4 on Wednesday, June 18.

To schedule a group tour call 665-3943.

The Spring We Will Not Forget

BY PASTOR KWEN SANDESON
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"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze." — Isaiah 43:2

It is an understatement to say that this Spring of 2011 will be a Spring that we will not forget!

Mother Nature has reminded us, with flooding that is occurring, and more will be coming, that we humans are not in charge. When we look at our present situation, with flood waters, staring us in the face, is there anything that our

Christian faith can say?"

Perhaps the above Scripture can speak to our situation. We are not exempt when water and rivers assault us, and fire threatens us. Yet, there is a promise; we won't be overwhelmed. Whatever tomorrow brings, God is in the midst of tomorrow.

The Chinese word for "crisis," is actually a combination of two words, "danger" and "opportunity," or, "dangerous opportunity." Crisis is when danger enters the picture, and things start to fall apart.



REFLECTIONS

The Chinese understanding of "crisis" is a time to pay attention to details, and walk cautiously. "Crisis" is not a time to be looking for advantages and benefits, but, just the opposite; pay attention to your own survival, because danger is afoot.

"Crisis" is a time to hold on to core values and beliefs.

"Crisis" is a time that forces us to define what we believe in, and what is most important in our lives.

On Pentecost Sunday, of 1989, I came within minutes of being burned to death, while sleeping, by a fire in the parsonage, in

rural Roseau, Minn.

The next day, as neighbors and I were viewing the fire damage of the house, I was lamenting the fire damage. An old farm woman kindly reminded me, "But pastor, a house can be replaced; you can't."

How quickly we forget the basic values of life! Then, friends and family need to remind us of our basic values, in times of crisis.

As the last words of the Gospel of Matthew reminds us, "Lo, I will be with you always, to the end of the ages."

When the dust settles, and the waters recede, one thing is certain; God will be there, because God is here, and where God is, there is always hope.

Music Recitals Planned For Trinity Lutheran

Two oboes, bassoon, voice and keyboard will be featured in two recitals at Trinity Lutheran Church over Father's Day weekend. The first is Friday, June 17, at 7:30 PM; the second Sunday, June 19, 2 PM. Compositions by Clara Schumann, J.S. Bach, G.F. Handel, Kurt Weill, Francis Poulenc and Kenneth Fuchs will be heard in the two recitals.

Oboist Mark Ackerman, principal oboe with the San Antonio symphony, will be heard a second time at Trinity—he appeared in recital here in June of 2009. Mark is an active chamber music player and is the artistic director of the Olmos Ensemble. He will be joined by oboist Mason Tran of Canton and Mindy Braithwaite of Sioux Falls. Mason, a voice actor, was featured oboe soloist with the SD All-state choir in 2009 and enjoys freelance playing opportunities. Mindy is a member of the SD Symphony, the Northwest Iowa Symphony, the Augustana Community Orchestra and the Dakota Wind Ensemble.

Vocalist for the two recitals is Yankton native Solveig Nyberg of Portland, Oregon. Solveig teaches voice and is choir director at Mount Hood Community College in Portland; she has sung with the Dale Wardland Singers in Minneapolis and the Bach Festival in Eugene, Oregon.

Dr. James and Marilyn Nyberg will be accompanists for the festival, utilizing both Trinity's pipe organ and its new seven-foot grand piano. Jim is a retired dentist and avid amateur pianist; Marilyn has been organist at Trinity since 1966 and is a teacher of organ. Both are active piano teachers.

Trinity is located at 4th and Broadway in Yankton. There will be a reception following Sunday's recital. Since the two admission-free recitals feature different programs, plan to attend both.

Shake It Up Cafe Bible School Begins June 20

Yankton United Church of Christ and Christ Episcopal Church invite all children ages 3-5th grade to get cookin' at "Shake It Up Café: Where Kids Carry Out God's Recipe" Vacation Bible School.

Explore and experience recipes for living out God's Word. The fun begins with sessions Monday, June 20, and ends Thursday, June 23. Held from 6-8:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday, sessions will be held at the UCC church located at 5th and Walnut. On Thursday, June 23, the week will conclude with a family fun night picnic at the Christ Episcopal Church open lot located at 6th and Walnut.

The recipe at our café includes heaping helpings of Bible fun and special servings of creative crafts, hands-on mission work, food science, recreation, and great music. To be a part of all the excitement at Shake It Up Café, pre-registration is recommended by June 5, 2011, online at www.cokesburyvbs.com/shake-it-up-cafe/cecuycc or by calling 665-7230 Monday through Friday.

Pierre

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weeks, federal officials started ramping up water releases Thursday from Fort Peck Dam. Officials warned dozens of residents downstream their homes could flood when the peak is released in the next two weeks.

And in Missouri, Gov. Jay Nixon warned that the river there would rise to "unprecedented" levels. Residents in the northwestern part of the state, who have plenty experience dealing with floods, were preparing Thursday to either evacuate or help fill more than 75,000 sandbags.

Back in South Dakota, Ed Stutesman of Pierre said it was a sad day Thursday as he finished moving things out of his house.

"When you leave your own place, it's a different life. Thirty-five years I've lived here. Now I've got to go live someplace else," Stutesman said.

Steve Ellwein said he worked hard to develop a business and build a nice house on the river near Fort Pierre, but now he and his wife had to move out.

"I moved back in my old bedroom in my parents' house. I'm saying what's wrong with that picture," Ellwein said.

The mayors of Pierre and Fort Pierre said they have mostly finished protecting water, electrical

and other utilities against the rising water. Law officers will soon start patrolling the emergency levees to make sure they do not leak.

"I think we're about as prepared as we can be," Fort Pierre Mayor Sam Tidball said.

Tidball urged people to stay away from the fast-flowing water in the river, noting that no lives have been lost yet.

"I urge everyone to continue working together and with law enforcement because things will get tense as the water rises," Tidball said. "We'll get through this situation, and we don't want any loss of life."

Kristi Turman, director of the state Office of Emergency Management, said 3 million sandbags have been sent to Pierre, Fort Pierre and Dakota Dunes in the week since officials learned releases would be increased substantially from the dams. About 900 troops from the South Dakota National Guard have helped the cities prepare for the water, she said.

Officials said levees in Dakota Dunes should be completed by Saturday.

Daugaard said if the levees hold after the water rises, residents might be able to return to their homes.

Eric Stasch, operations manager at Oahe Dam, said the levees, built by packing dirt to a height of about six feet, are designed to hold up against the rising water.

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

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.

Bethel Baptist Church

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

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.

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Baptist

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, 2407 Broadway, Yankton. (605)665-5594. Rev. Jon Cooke, Pastor Jeremy Nelson, and Laura Kotalik. www.cbchurch.com SAT-URDAY June 4 10:00 AM Bridal Shower for Ashley Miller SUNDAY June 5 8:30 AM Intercessory Prayer Time 9:00 AM Adult ENCORE Community Communion 9:00 AM & 10:45 AM Worship Services "Things That Matter the Most" 10:45 AM Sunday School for all ages MONDAY June 6 9:00 AM Ladies Prayer Time 7:30 PM Service broadcast on Channels 3 & 98 TUESDAY June 7 7:00 PM Snatched by the Fire WEDNESDAY June 8 6:45 AM Men's Prayer Time 6:00 PM Intercessory Prayer 7:00 PM Adult Bible Study 8:20 PM The "TORCH" Midweek praise & worship THURSDAY June 9 7:00 PM Celebrate Recovery 7:00 PM Cruisin' 24/7 FRIDAY June 10.

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 CEDAR COUNTY (Immaculate Conception), St. Helena, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass: Saturdays 8pm Sundays at 11am.

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

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

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

ST. AGNES PARISH: SIGEL, rural Utica. 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.

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

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Catholic

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 CHURCH, rural Freeman. For weekend Mass info see church bulletin or Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly. (605)583-4318.

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

ST. GEORGE CHURCH, Scotland, SD. Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly. 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. 5-5:20pm.

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

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. Join us as we celebrate the 30th annual Easter Sunrise at the House of Mary Shrine starting at 6:05am Deacon Kristopher Cowles will be the guest homilist. 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-Kids games; 7pmKids for Christ & Adult Bible Study.

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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. 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 June 5 8:30 Serenity 9:30 The Holy Eucharist Wednesday June 8 Noon The Holy Eucharist Thursday June 9 The Holy Communion at Majestic Bluffs.

Evangelical

Cornerstone Evangelical Church, Pastor Oliver Omanson, Stewart Elementary School; Morning Service 10:30 a.m. Wednesday College Bible Study 1306 Maple Street. Mike Stevens 665-8750.

EMMANUEL CHURCH YHS Theater, 1801 Summit, Worship Service 10:00 am www.emmanuel.yankton.com (605)665-0404.

Jehovah's Witnesses

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

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

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 SUN. 10:45 Worship 9:30am Sunday School. firsthope@santel.net

GAYVILLE-BERGEN LUTHERAN Pastor Ralph Egbert. (605)267-4342 (church) Sunday Worship: GLC 9am; Sunday School 10:15am; Bergen Worship 10:30am; Sunday School 9:15am.

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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 Divine Service 8am (605)589-3195 www.MartinusLutheran.org

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

St. John Lutheran Church, Tyndall. Pastor Dean Schroeder. Sunday Divine Service: 10:00am (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. Worship Saturday worship-5:30 p.m. Sunday worship- 8:15 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship-9:30 a.m.

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

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

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Non-Denominational

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 (PCUSA), 206 E. 31st. 665-0448. Rev. Dr. Nelson Stone & Rev. Marilyn Stone. 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. SAT.