Yankton United Church of Christ and Christ Episcopal Church invite all children to get ready to dive into fun at "Operation Overboard: Dare To Go Deep With God" Vacation Bible School. Explore and experience

God's underwater universe at VBS! The fun begins Monday, June 25, and ends Thursday, June 28, with sessions running from 6-8:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday sessions will be held at the UCC church located at Fifth and Walnut. On Thursday, June 28, the week will conclude with a Family Picnic at the Christ Episcopal Church open lot located at Sixth and Walnut.

The adventures include regular Deep Sea Voyages into Bible fun and creative crafts, water science, and great music.

To be a part of all the excitement at "Operation Overboard: Dare To Go Deep With God," pre-registration is recommended by June 3 online at www.overboard.cokesburyvbs.com/cecyucc or by calling 665-7320 Monday through Friday (hours: 8 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.)

Fr. Tim Lange To Present Piano Concerts June 3

Fr. Tim Lange, a retired priest from the Archdiocese of Omaha who lives in Yankton, will present two piano concerts in Yankton on June 3. The 3 p.m. concert will be at Sacred Heart Church and the 7 p.m. concert will be at St. Benedict Church. Mary Ann Wortmann will be guest violinist.

Piano selections will include works by Schubert, Liszt, Chopin, Debussy as well as semi-classical and contemporary jazz compositions. Donations will be accepted for the benefit of the churches' building

Women's Summer Bible Study Begins June 6

Calvary Baptist Church, Yankton, will offer a women's summer Bible study entitled "Set Apart" by best-selling author Jennifer Kennedy Dean,

starting June 6.
"Set Apart" is a six-week interactive study which examines: holiness, happiness, and the Beatitudes, the Lord's Prayer, the promise of blessedness in Christ's Sermon on the Mount. You were made for holiness. a core concept of the Beatitudes, which is accessed through a praying life—a life lived in the present-tense power of God. It is only when you continually pursue holiness that blessedness comes, and you discover the power and fulfillment of the promise of God. Unlike a circumstance-driven emotion such as happiness, blessedness is eternal and grounded in the reality of Christ in you. You are able to live in the state of blessedness that God has created for you when you discover the key to true holiness — a call to freedom and joy.

All women from the community (including high school young ladies) are invited to attend at 9 a.m. Wednesday mornings in the Youth Theater beginning June 6 (no child care available) or Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. beginning June 7 in the Youth Theater (child care is available by reservation). Call the church office at 605-665-5594 to register and to answer any questions.

Emmanuel Church Vacation Bible School Set

Emmanuel Church of Yankton will be hosting its 2012 Vacation Bible School, June 10-14 at Stewart Elementary School. Sessions run from 6-8:45 p.m.

There is no cost for the VBS and all children ages 5 years through fifth grade are welcome to attend.

Families can register online by clicking the VBS link at www.em-

manuelyankton.com or in person on June 10. Emmanuel will also be hosting a Pre-VBS block party on June 9, running from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., also at Stewart Elementary. At the block party, there will be free hotdogs and games for all ages.

If there are any question, call 665-0404 or email jeremy@em-

manuelyankton.com.

First United Methodist To Host Open House

An open house/reception will be held at 4-6 p.m. Saturday June 9, at First United Methodist Church in Yankton. The event celebrates the commissioning of Sara (Stoddard) McManus & Jennifer (Kisch) Anderson; Joleen Pietrzak for graduating from Sioux Falls Seminary; and Jerry Willman for completing the requirements to become a Certified Lay Minister.

The public is welcome to attend.

Missouri County Commissioner Stops Saying Prayers At Meetings In Wake Of Lawsuit

BY STEPHEN DEERE

St. Louis Post-Dispatch (MCT)

ST. LOUIS — The meeting on Tuesday began with a moment of silence — but no prayer.

Franklin County Presiding Commissioner John Griesheimer appeared to have, at least temporarily, ceded to demands from the American Civil Liberties Union of Eastern Missouri that he stop offering "sectarian" prayers at commission meetings.

In previous months, Griesheimer had prayed for rain, for the unemployed, and even for St. Louis Cardinals to win games. Typically he prayed "in Jesus' name."

But on this day, and at other recent meetings, Griesheimer had stopped praying publicly.

All because of a woman whose identity few know.

"I personally didn't have a problem with" the prayers, said Tim Baker, of Robertsville, who attended the meeting on Tuesday and is running for a commission seat later this year. "But someone did, and that's a shame."

That person complained to the ACLU, which sued the county and the three-member Franklin County Commission this month. The suit argues that Griesheimer violated the Constitution's prohibition on government backing a religion.

ACLU attorney Anthony Rothert said the resident who complained is afraid of being harassed and wants to remain anonymous.

Government bodies, including Congress, often begin meetings with an invocation. Yet it's pastors, priests, rabbis and other religious leaders who typically offer those prayers, not government leaders themselves.

Rothert has little objection to public prayers given by those outside government, assuming that the name of a particular god is not invoked.

"If it's an outsider, it's less attributable to the government," he said. "If they only invite Christian ministers, that's probably problematic.'

Some Franklin County residents aren't happy that Griesheimer's prayers have been snuffed out. At previous commission meetings, two people have stood up and prayed during the public comment

"We took it up ourselves," said Eric Reichert, one of those residents. "Maybe (the commissioners) can't, but we can damn sure (pray) ourselves."

Prayers at public meetings aren't hard to find in other counties, though it's religious leaders who handle the task

Terri Kreitler, a Jefferson County councilwoman who coordinates the county's invocations, said both pastors and priests have given prayers. Kreitler said she wants to be inclusive and has even searched for a rabbi in the area.

"But I haven't found one yet," she said.

St. Charles County also invites local pastors for an invocation at county council meetings. John Sonderegger, a county spokesman, acknowledged that the invocations were "mainly a Christian thing" but said he wasn't aware of any complaints.

The issue of prayer and government has been the subject of high-profile cases lately. Earlier this month, the town of Greece in upstate New York was found by a federal appeals court to have violated the Constitution by opening meetings with prayers that almost always were Christian.

In January, Forsyth County in North Carolina made headlines when the Supreme Court rejected an appeal of a ruling that banned sectarian prayer at the county's board of commissioners.

Franklin County leaders don't appear to want a long, drawnout legal battle. Residents say Griesheimer, a former state senator who was elected to the county commission in 2010,

stopped praying before meetings just after the county received a demand letter from the ACLU a few weeks ago. He even requested that audience members refrain from praying at commission meetings, they said.

Rothert noted that the commission has a rule preventing the public from speaking to items not on the agenda "but they didn't enforce it." He said if it's true that Griesheimer has asked people to stop praying at the meetings, then the lawsuit should be nearly resolved. The ACLU is seeking attorney fees, but at this point, those fees are only "a couple of hundred dollars," he said.

After Tuesday's meeting, Griesheimer declined to comment. The other two commissioners, Terry Wilson and Ann Schroeder, did not return calls seeking comment.

Franklin County resident Art LeBeau, who often attends the commission meetings, disagrees with Griesheimer on many issues, but said he supports him on praying.

He wishes he could figure out the identity of the anonymous woman. He would like to talk to her, though he isn't sure what he would say.
"I would do a lot of prayer

first," he said.

Christian Cross Festival Slated For June 9

NORFOLK, Neb. — The eighth annual Christian Cross Festival will be held in Norfolk on Saturday, June 9. Performances run from noon-10:30

New to the free annual festival this year is a third stage for country/gospel acts. There will be 22 bands playing on three stages.

Those scheduled to perform this year include Sidewalk Prophets, JJ Heller, Remedy Drive, Lybecker, The Wedding, Syndrome of Fire, Jill Miller and many others.

The Christian Cross Festival also offers children's activities including inflatables, a ministry tent, a prayer tent, food vendors and fire-

For more information, visit www.christiancrossfestival.org or find the Christian Cross Festival on Facebook.

Swan Lake Marathon Set For June 10

VIBORG — The 10th annual Swan Lake Marathon, Half-Marathon and 5.3 Mile Run near Viborg will be held Sunday, June 10.

This event is a fundraiser for Swan Lake Christian Camp's summer programming.

Registration information can be found on our website: www.myslcc.com or call the camp at 605-326-5690.

Vatican International Exhibition Coming Soon

Yankton will host the Vatican International Exhibition of the Eucharistic Miracles of the World. Everyone is welcome to view this exhibition beginning Monday, June 11, through Sunday, June 17. Each day, from 8 a.m.-8 p.m., the exhibition will be available for viewing at Sacred Heart Parish Gathering Center, 509 Capital Street.

The Modern Catholic Dictionary defines a miracle as "a sensibly perceptible effect, surpassing at least the powers of visible nature, produced by God to witness to some truth or testify to someone's sanctity.'

This photographic exhibition of panels and posters documents 126 Eucharistic miracles. Endorsed internationally by Bishops from across the globe, translation of the exhibition crosses at least one dozen languages.

Everyone is welcome to view this exhibit to experience Eucharistic Miracles for a free will offering.

For more information, call the Sacred Heart Parish Office at 605-665-

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 FEL-LOWSHIP,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, 6:30pm 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, 303 Ohio St., Wakonda. Mike Lindsay, pastor, (605)759-5020. SUNDAY . 11:00a.m. 6:00pm WEDNESDAY Bible Study 12Noon.

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.

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 serv-



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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-DAR COUNTY (Sts. Peter & Paul), Bow Valley NE Rev Fric Olsen (402)357-2400. Mass: Sundays,

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

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CE-DAR 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, 509 Capital, 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. SUN. 9am Mass, confessions 1/2 hour before Mass.

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

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

Larry's LEADER CONCRETE **Plumbing Service**

Catholic

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

ST BONIFACE CHURCH rural Freeman. June WEEKEND Mass Sundays @10a.m. or call Rev. Mathew Vazhappily. (605)327-3438 www.Parishesonline.com/stbonifacesd

ST. COLUMBA CHURCH, rural Irene. June WEEKEND Mass, Sundays @ 8:30am or call Vazhappily, (605)583-4318.

ST. GEORGE CHURCH, Scotland, SD. Rev. Mathew Vazhappily. June WEEKEND Saturdays @ 7p.m.. call (605)583-4318. www.Parishesonline.com/stgeorgescotlandsd

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHO-LIC, Lesterville. SUN. 10:30am

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

JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC

Scott

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CHURCH. Constance. Neb., Fr. David Fulton, pastor. SAT. Mass: ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC, Wak-

624-2697. SUN. 8:30am Mass. ST. ROSE OF LIMA, Crofton, Neb. Fr. Michael Schmitz. SAT. Mass: 8:00am & 5:30pm, SUN, Mass: WED/FRI Masses Confessions: WED.

11am-11:30am, SAT, 5-5:20pm, 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 Open 7 days a week for prayer. thehouseofmaryshrine.org

Christian

CHRISTIAN Church, 19th & Burleigh, 665-6317 Joseph Mason, Pastor. 9am-SS Worship 10:15am. Wed.- 7pm Kids for Christ/Adult Bible Study www.kingswaychristianyankton.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.

> 703 Burleigh St. 665-4322

Church of Jesus

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

Episcopal

ment meeting.

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 517 Douglas, Yankton. Rev. James Pearson, (605)665-2456. Sunday 6/3 8:30am Serenity 9:30am Holy Eucharist and Healing Service.

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

Sunday School at 9:30am Worship Service 10:45 am www.emmanuelyankton.com (605)665-0404

Lutheran

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

FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN, 44874 303rd St., Volin SD 57072, (605)267-2277. SUN. Worship Services 9:30am. Children's Edu cation 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

Ralph (605)267-4342 (church) Sunday: Worship-9:00am, Bergen SS-10:15am GLC SS- 9:15am, GLC Worship-10:30am. HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH,

AFLC 200 South Wilson, Delmont.

(605)935-6941. SUN 9am Worship.

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



Lutheran

SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN. LCMC/NALC, Menno. Pastor Jacobson Theresa Office 605-387-5241 Worship 9am. Brunch, SS 10:20am Wednesday Lenten Services at Grace, 7:30pm

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 Wor-

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-

(605)589-3195. www.StJohnsTyndallLCMS.org JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMS), 1009 Jackson.

David Gunderson, Pastor. SUN.

dall. Pastor Dean Schroeder. Sun-

day Divine Service: 10:30am

8am Worship, 9:15am Education Hour, 10:30am Worship. TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, 403 Broadway, Yankton, 665-7415. Saturday-5:30p.m. Worship; Sun-

dav-8:15a.m./10:00a.m. Worship;

-Coffee fellowship-9:30a.m.

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

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

Non-Denominational

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.

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

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Presbyterian

PRESBYTERIAN (PC/USA), 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.

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

Reformed

WED. Youth group & adult choir. Seventh-Day SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST, 722 Locust St., Yankton, 665-1032, Worship Services: Saturday 9:30am & 11am. Pastor Nick Os-

born (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 7PM Worship. Second

THUR. 2PM Ladies Aid. 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, Gary Kimm, pastor. SUN 9:30am Church School, 10:30am

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST. (Congregational) 210 West 5th St., Yankton. (605)665-7320 Dr. Richard W. Jensen, Pastor. SUN.-10am 11am-Fellowship, Worship, 11:05am Church School.

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

United Methodist

FIRST UNITED METHODIST. Yankton. Rev. Ron Johnson Pastor. 665-2991. Sunday, Contemporary Worship 9:00; Trad. 10:30. Childcare 8:45-11:45. 8:30 UM Hour, KYNT.

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



United Methodist

VIBORG UNITED METHODIST, Pastor Mark Gronseth. SUN. 8:30am Worship a Wakonda: 9:45am Worship a Irene; 11am Worship at Viborg.

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dio SUN.-THUR. 10:05PM "Family

Radio Rosary" with Bishop Rober

Carlson.

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