

Vangen Church Plans 65th Memorial Day Service

MISSION HILL — Vangen Lutheran Church in Mission Hill will be holding its 65th annual Memorial Day service at the historic "Old" Vangen Church and Cemetery, one mile east of town on 308th St.

The public is invited to attend the service, which will begin at 10 a.m. on Monday, May 30, preceded by a cemetery commemoration presented by the Gayville American Legion at 9:40 a.m.

Officiating will be Vangen's pastor, the Reverend Lance Lindgren. The featured speaker will be Army SSgt and Pastor Robert Chapman of Dalesburg Lutheran Church, rural Vermillion.

A luncheon will follow the service at the "New" Vangen Church, 300 W. 3rd St. in Mission Hill.

'The Truth Project' To Begin June 5

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 Plans Vacation Bible School

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 Offers 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, Neb.

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.

Get Ready. Get Set. Bike For Life 2011 Coming

It is time to start training as Saturday, September 10th is the official date for the annual Lutherans For Life Bike for Life. We will leave from Armour at 7 a.m. If you would like to participate contact Rev. Nabil Nour at Redeemer Lutheran Church, P. O. Box, 158, Armour, SD 57131-0158, Ph: (605)724-2489 (O), (605)724-2722 (H), Email: redemarmour@unitelsd.com.

Trying To Decide What To Do?

BY JEREMY NELSON
Youth Pastor Calvary Baptist Church

Graduation season is one of the most exciting times to be a youth pastor. My diet over the past weekend looked something like this: Punch, cake, mixed nuts, cake, pulled pork sandwiches, cake. Perhaps you can relate. It is also an exciting time for other reasons. It is around this time that I have the chance to help guide young people through some of the biggest decisions they have yet made. Young people, though, are not the only ones making big decisions. I cannot think of a stage of life in which we are not on the verge of making some big decisions.

So how do you go about making big decisions? If you're a Christian, you seek to do God's

will. But how do we know what God's will is? God most clearly reveals Himself and His will in the Bible. The Bible, though, doesn't contain a verse telling you where you should move or if you should have surgery or what college to go to. That would be very convenient for us, but God has other desires for us that aren't usually attained through convenience.

Where in the Bible, then, is God's will revealed? We can look so many places. God's will is certainly laid out clearly in the Ten Commandments. What should I do? "I should have no other gods before Him." *Exodus 20:3.*



REFLECTIONS

God's will is that we resist conformity to the world around us as we worship Him and experience transformation by the renewal of our mind (Romans 12:1-2).

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time to move or if we opened our Bible to a random verse hidden away in the Old Testament to find that God tells us where to go to college. While we can't expect or wait for those things to happen, we can spend the rest of our lives pursuing God and His will in less cool and convenient, quick and easy ways.

God's will is that we respond to His grace by repenting of our sin and putting our faith in Jesus. God's will is that we worship Him alone. God's will is that we submit ourselves to the Spirit's sanctifying work in us.

As you try to decide what you should do, whatever your big decision may be, let Jesus' words from *Matthew 6:33* be both a challenge and a comfort to you. "But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."

PandaMania: Where God Is Wild About You!

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 team-work-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 6-8:40 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.emmanuelnyankton.com to register online.

UCC And CEC Vacation Bible School Planned

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/cecuyucc or by calling 665-7230 Monday through Friday.

CAMEROON CONNECTION



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Pictured, left to right: Graedyn Wendt, Kaden Sage, Doug Dykstra, Adilyn Schelhaas, Caleb Decker, Laurie Hanson, Hunter Teichroew, Elizabeth Novak, Joshua Swenson and Lucas Saraceni.

Learning About Other Schools

The Calvary Kids Preschool classes from Calvary Baptist Church have been learning that not all schools are like theirs. Doug Dykstra, a member of Calvary, recently visited the Mbingo School #1 in Cameroon and has been sharing his experiences with Laurie Hanson's 3 years-old, 4 years-old and Jr. Kindergarten classes. He showed them pictures of the schools in Mbingo and told them that many of the children in Mbingo have to walk to school but have no shoes to wear or they are wearing shoes that are the wrong size. That sparked an idea with the Calvary class and they began collecting shoes, school supplies and

books for their new friends in Cameroon. The response was overwhelming and the kids were very excited to help. The items collected have been sent to Mbingo and Doug Dykstra plans to return next fall and bring back photos and reports from the kids who received the shoes and school supplies.

Calvary Kids Preschool is an outreach ministry of Calvary Baptist Church and is open to everyone. Registrations are now being accepted for the 2011-2012 school year. More information can be found at www.calvarykids-preschool.com or by calling 665-5594.

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

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, 2407 Broadway, Yankton. (605)665-5594. Rev. Jon Cooke, Pastor Jeremy Nelson, and Laura Kotalik. www.cbchurch.com SUNDAY May 29 8:30 AM Intercessory Prayer Time 9:00 AM Adult ENCORE Community 9:00 AM & 10:45 AM Worship Services "Important Things We Know" 10:45 AM Sunday School for all ages MONDAY May 30 9:00 AM Ladies Prayer Time 7:30 PM Service broadcast on Channels 3 & 98 TUESDAY May 31 WEDNESDAY June 1 6:00 PM Intercessory Prayer 7:00 PM Adult Bible Study 8:20 PM The "TORCH" midweek praise & worship THURSDAY June 2 7:00 PM Celebrate Recovery.

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Baptist

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, 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 5pm

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

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Sacred Heart), Wyanot, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass times: Sundays 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. BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH, 1500 St. Benedict Drive, Yankton, Father Ken Luff, 664-6214 (church). Masses: SAT. 5pm. SUN. 8:30am & 10:30am.

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 Vazhappilly. (605)583-4318.

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

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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, Lesterville. SUN. 10:30am Mass.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC, Fordyce, Neb. Rev. David Fulton. 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. Masses: 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.

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.

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Episcopal

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 517 Douglas, Yankton. Rev. James Pearson, (605)665-2456. Sunday May 29, 2011 9:00 Serenity 10:15 Morning Prayer Wednesday June 1 Noon The Holy Eucharist.

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 9:30, Worship Service 10:45, www.emmanuelnyankton.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 & 10:45am 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. firsttho@satel.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.

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH, AFLC 200 South Wilson, Delmont. (605)935-6941. SUN 9am Worship. firsttho@satel.net

Martino Lutheran Church, Utica. Pastor Dean Schroeder Sunday Divine Service 10:30am (605)589-3195 www.MartinoLutheran.org

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

PRINCE OF PEACE, Wisconsin Synod, 201 East 25th St., Pastor Werre, 665-4793. Sat. 6pm Worship.

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Lutheran

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.

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 8:30am (605)589-3195. www.StJohnsTyndallCMS.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).

TRONDHEJEM 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 10am; Coffee Fellowship 11am; Sunday School 9am; Wednesday Evening Worship 6:30pm; Quilters each Wed. 9am; WELCA 3rd Thurs. 1:30pm; Senior Dinner first Thurs. 12pm.

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.

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.

Non-Denominational

LEWIS & CLARK LAKE MINISTRIES. Come join us for lake services. Pierson Ranch Amphitheater. 10:30am worship every Sunday. Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend. Nebraska Lakeside Services: Weigan Marina. 9am worship.

Presbyterian

PEACE 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.

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. 9:30am Sabbath School, 11am Worship. 665-4496, 665-4881. Pastor George Shaver Home phone (605)369-5496.

United Church

CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Newcastle, Neb., 303 Highway 12, Rev. Gary Kimm,