

Open House Slated For Freeman Academy

FREEMAN — Freeman Academy is hosting an informational open house for its Grades 1-4 Program on Tuesday, May 14, from 5-6:30 p.m. in Music Hall on the Freeman Academy campus.

Prospective students and their families are encouraged to attend. Mr. Goede, the Grades 1-4 instructor, as well as current parents will be on hand to answer questions about this unique educational opportunity.

Freeman Academy is a fully accredited private Christian school offering college preparatory education for students in grades 1-12. The Grades 1-4 Program is unique in that it is a one-room school house concept with an emphasis on project based learning. Registration materials will be available.

Space is limited in this program so early registration is encouraged. A light meal will be provided.

Trinity Church Vacation Bible School Set

Gotta Move! with the Go Fish Guys! Following Jesus means taking action. God gives us everything we need to walk with Him, however we need to “keep in step” and do our part.

Don’t miss the action as we Gotta Move!, a Vacation Bible School experience at Trinity Lutheran Church, May 19-23, from 6:15-8:15 p.m. Pre-school students will meet May 21-23.

A meal will be served each night from 5:15-6:15 p.m. for VBS students and their families.

For more information or to register, contact: Pam at 665-7415

Habitat Seeks Mission Trip Participants

Do you have an interest in pursuing a life changing mission trip? And are you at least 18 years old? Habitat for Humanity of Yankton County needs you.

The group will be joining other affiliates across our great state on a Global Build effort on Nov. 1-10 to Cambodia and would like to take one member of the great community.

Today, Cambodia is emerging from a traumatic past and is one of the 20 poorest countries in the world. The majority of children and families live in desperate poverty and struggle to meet the most basic needs of food, clean water and shelter.

You can be a pioneer of Habitat for Humanity’s Mekong Build in Cambodia. Aside from participating in Habitat for Humanity’s mission of eliminating poverty housing, this is an opportunity to connect with other dedicated volunteers from around the world.

The cost to participate in the Mekong Build is \$850. This includes transportation, meals, lodging, travel, medical insurance and emergency evacuation insurance. In addition, each volunteer is responsible for the cost of airfare, passport and visa. Habitat for Humanity of Yankton County will assist the eligible applicant with up to \$750 in financial assistance if necessary.

To be considered for this life-changing experience, submit a short essay explaining why you are interested in partnering with Habitat in this Christian housing ministry. Mail or email essays to Habitat for Humanity of Yankton County, 610 W. 23rd Street Ste. 11, Yankton SD 57078 or habitatyank@iw.net.

Habitat for Humanity of Yankton County is a nonprofit Christian housing ministry dedicated to eliminating substandard housing and homeless in Yankton County and internationally. The organization’s vision is to make adequate, affordable shelter a matter of conscience and action.

For more information contact Julie Dykstra, 605-260-4224.

Choir Tour To Europe Seeks Singers

Vi Ranney has planned the third choir tour to Europe with a June 7 departure for Italy. Jennifer Powell, choir director at UCC (Congregational), will direct the choir and Ted Powell will be rehearsal pianist. Highlights of the tour include Milan, Venice, Florence, Siena, Rome, Naples, Pompeii and ending at the Isle of Capri. The choir is hoping to sing concerts in Venice, Florence and St. Peter’s in Rome.

Anyone from the area interested in singing with the group, call Vi Ranney at 665-3596 for a detailed brochure.

Singers and non-singers are welcome on the tour.

Spring Can Be A Stressful Time

BY PASTOR DAVE LUND
Associate Pastor, Trinity Lutheran Church

I love spring. The breaking of the winter, the return of the birds and the world around us coming back to life are all signs of hope that I cherish, even during an odd spring like the one we have been experiencing this year. I love spring.

However, have you ever noticed how chaotic this time of the year can become? Maybe you are like me and have trouble finding enough time to get out in order to do the necessary yard work which your lawn so desperately needs. Or maybe you have a child preparing to graduate, and if not graduate just finishing off a school year. Maybe you are trying to prepare for a summer vacation or summer activities. Maybe you are involved with summer athletics or other forms of activities which need your attention now in order to be ready when the time comes.



REFLECTIONS

There are so many potential “Maybes” out there, and we tend to be involved in more of them than are good for us. For these reasons this season quite often becomes one of great stress rather than enjoyment.

It is during these times of chaos and stress that we need to step back, take a breath and notice the beauty that surrounds us. God has blessed us greatly, even during unusual (and sometimes inconvenient) weather events of the season. God has blessed us in a great many ways. In fact, it is quite often the blessings of God that we allow to turn into curses, aka. stresses. Think of the things that are stressing you out.

The odds are that, at the source of the stress is something of great value to you, whether that be family, work, or even the weather. These are all blessings for which we should give thanks. And when we consider the blessings, does it not, in most cases, make the stress that comes with it worth the time and effort? So in spite of the chaos that sometimes comes with this time of year, let us give thanks for the amazing gifts we have received from our loving Father in heaven.

So with this all said I come back to my opening statement, I love spring. I love the freshness of the air. I love the beauty of growth. I love the rains that are falling to water the earth. And I even love the stresses that come at this time of the year, because if I did not have those forms of stress, then I would not have the gifts from which those difficulties spring. So this is why I love spring and I hope that you do too.

Southern Baptists’ Change Seeks To Shed Baggage

BY PATRICIA BORNES
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MIAMI — After 87 years, the University Baptist Church of Coral Gables, Fla., recently shed its name for something it felt was more forward looking — Christ Journey.

It was following the lead of First Baptist Church of Perrine, Fla., which dropped the name it had held for 89 years in favor of Christ Fellowship.

Coral Baptist Church of Coral Springs, Fla., relaunched itself in 2006 as Church By the Glades.

And First Baptist Church of Fort Lauderdale is now known as “First Fort Lauderdale” in its new website. The word “Baptist” is found in a faintly lettered tagline.

These South Florida churches are joining a growing number of Southern Baptist congregations around the country that are quietly moving away from their denomination’s historic namesake — worried that it conjured up images of pipe organs, narrow-mindedness or stuffy, formal services.

The reality, pastors say, is that many modern Baptist churches mix their liturgy with rock bands and gourmet coffee, and sermons are more likely to be about personal growth than fire and brimstone.

While their approach to saving souls has kept up with the times, some pastors feel the name has not.

“Baptist today has as many flavors as Baskin and Robbins ice cream. It has no defined meaning, and where it does, no positive meaning,” explained Bill White, Christ Journey’s lead pastor.

“There are conservative and not-conservative Baptist churches. For example, some do and some don’t limit women’s roles. Taking the name out removes the confusion.”

ALEX RODRIGUES

Ninety-three percent of his congregation voted to change the name. Their restlessness isn’t new. The 168-year-old Southern Baptist Convention — the country’s largest Protestant denomination with some 46,000 cooperating U.S. churches and over 4,800 field personnel worldwide — was asked to consider changing its name at least seven times between 1965 and 2004, said spokesman Roger Oldham.

Congregations have been concerned that their denomination’s strict biblical interpretations of creation, women’s roles and homosexuality have been politicized, even by their own members.

In 2012 — just as the SBC selected the Rev. Fred J. Luter as its first African-American president — the body allowed churches to use an alternate name, Great Commission Baptists, in place of ‘Southern,’ which conjured painful racial memories and a regionalism that Oldham said member churches had outgrown.

Southern Baptists can be found in every state and U.S. territory, with most in the south and southwest. The Great Commission name was at once global and unifying, evoking Jesus’ instructions

to his followers to go into the world and make disciples by baptizing and teaching them.

Around the same time, the Baptist convention’s research arm also undertook a study to look at how people reacted to the word ‘Baptist.’

In the study, 44 percent of the participants said the words Southern Baptist would negatively impact their decision to join or even visit. The negative perceptions came mainly from people with no church affiliation. For a denomination committed to the directive, “Go and make disciples of all nations,” that was not good news.

Robey Barnes, lead pastor of West Pines Community Church in Pembroke Pines, Fla., an SBC member, compared the situation to Kentucky Fried Chicken’s decision to drop its famous name in the 1990s in favor of “KFC” — partly because of consumers’ negative perceptions of fried foods.

But, Baptist denominations have always reinvented themselves to reach people, he said.

“There was a day when the organ was the electric guitar and drum set, and stained glass was as cutting edge as online video.”

If the traditional Baptist name no longer works, dropping it is

consistent with moves other denominations have made throughout history, he said.

Some churches turn to consultants to help them rebrand.

Alex Rodrigues, creative director of Broward, Fla.-based Paradox Design Studio, helped several churches freshen their images, including Christ Journey and Church By the Glades.

“There are conservative and not-conservative Baptist churches,” Rodrigues said. “For example, some do and some don’t limit women’s roles. Taking the name out removes the confusion.”

The brand also has a generational problem that many churches face.

“We were dying,” said David Kling, who attends the former Immanuel Presbyterian in Pinecrest. “We needed to change drastically to attract more and younger people.”

King’s pastor, Felipe Assis, closed the church for a month and “replanted” it as Crossbridge, with a focus on diversity and community service.

“It’s a more inclusive name, a consumerist attempt to recast a super conservative image,” said Kling, chair of the University of Miami religious studies department.

But Barnes of West Pines cautions that being more accepting doesn’t change a denomination’s articles of faith.

“Ultimately, what we believe as a church is what the church has historically believed,” he said.

CHURCH SCHEDULES

Abundant Life

ABUNDANT LIFE MINISTRIES, Pastors 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 FELLOWSHIP, Sun. 10am Yankton Middle School (2000 Mulberry) Weds. 7pm Prayer. David Olson, pastor. (605)260-2138.

Assembly of God

First Assembly of God, 801 W 25th. (605)665-6362 (office). SUN. 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. Douglas, Kevin Caskey, pastor, 665-0066. SUN. 9:30am Sunday School, 10:45pm Preaching Service, 4pm Preaching Service. THU. 7pm Preaching Service.

BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH, 301 Ohio St., Wakonda. Dr. Calvin Jones, pastor, (605)267-1100. SUNDAY Worship. 11:00a.m.

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.

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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, 10:30 am Sundays 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: Sundays 9am

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Sacred Heart), Wynot, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass times, Sundays 9am.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Sts. Peter & Paul), Bow Valley, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen (402)357-2400. Mass: 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 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. 4pm Mass, confessions 1/2 hour before Mass. Father Daniel Moris.

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Fr. Michael Schmitz, Pastor
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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 CATHOLIC CHURCH, Menominee, Neb., Rev. David Fulton, pastor. SUN. 8:30am Mass.

ST. BONIFACE CHURCH, rural Freeman/Idylwildie. APRIL WEEK-END Mass Saturdays at 4:30pm.

ST. COLUMBA CHURCH, rural Irene/Mayfield. MAY WEEKEND Mass Saturdays at 6:15pm.

ST. GEORGE CHURCH, Scotland, SD. Sundays 9:30 am. MAY WEEKEND Mass Sundays at 9:30am.

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

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC, Lesterville. SUN. 10:30am Mass. Father Daniel Moris.

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. Father Daniel Moris. SAT. 7pm Mass. SUN. 8:30am Mass.

THE HOUSE OF MARY SHRINE, 6-mi. W. Yankton, Hwy.52. Masses: Monday 8:30 thru Friday October. Masses Saturday 9:00 every Saturday. Rosary Sunday 4:00. Rosary 4:00. Open 7 days a week for prayer. thehouseofmaryshrine.org

Christian

KINGSWAY 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

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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. Michael Maxwell (402)586-2645 Family History Ctr 665-0901. SUN. 10am Sacrament meeting.

Episcopal

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 517 Douglas, Yankton. Rev. James Pearson, (605)665-2456. Sunday 9:00 Serenity; 10:15 Holy Eucharist and Sunday School.

Evangelical

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

EMMANUEL CHURCH We gather together for worship every Sunday at 9:30AM at the Yankton Middle School (2000 Mulberry Street). (605)665-0404
www.emmanuelyankton.com

Lutheran

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

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

GAYVILLE-BERGEN LUTHERAN Pastor Ralph Egbert. (605)267-4342 (church) Church: 9:00am-GLC Worship, 10:15-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

Lutheran

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

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

OUR SAVIOR’S LUTHERAN, LCMC/NALC; Menno. Pastor Theresa Jacobson Office 605-387-5241 Worship 9am, Brunch, SS 10:20am.

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 Lutheran Church, Wisconsin Synod, 201 E. 25th Street, Yankton. Pastor Christian Sultzle, (605)665-4793. Sunday 9:15 am Worship; 10:15 am 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.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-5:30, Sunday-8:15/10:45 a.m.; SS, classes, fellowship-9:30a.m.

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. SUN. 9:15am; 10:30am Worship.

VANGEN LUTHERAN CHURCH, Mission Hill. 665-5426. Worship 9:30am.

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.

Presbyterian

PEACE PRESBYTERIAN (PC/USA), 206 E. 31st. 665-0448. 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.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, 301 W. Franklin, Hartington, NE, (402) 254-6663 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, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SUN. 9:30am Church School, 10:30am Worship.

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, (Congregational) 210 West 5th St., Yankton. (605)665-7320 Dr. Richard W. Jensen, Pastor. SUN.-10am Worship, 11am-Fellowship, 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 METHODIST, Rick Pittenger, pastor. 624-2179. 9am Worship Service. 10:00am Sunday School.

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

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