

Church Holding ‘Come To The Table’ Event

VERMILLION — Bergen Lutheran Church WELCA will be hosting their 18th annual “Come to the Table” event on Saturday, Nov. 21, at 10 a.m. in the Bergen Church Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Jenny Peterson, speaker and author, will be the special guest, sharing her story of faith and how God has worked in her life through her loss of sight, numerous surgeries and her now restored sight. Peterson’s never-give-up attitude is ever present when she shares her story through speaking and in her self-published book, “She Walked By Faith, Not By Sight.” You won’t want to miss hearing her incredible journey and story of faith! Dawn Nelson of the Clay Creek Deaf Cowboy Band will be sharing her gift of music as well.

“Come to the Table” began at Bergen in 1997 and has featured a variety of musical and entertaining programs over the years. One of the highlights of this annual event is always the beautifully decorated tables.

Bergen Church is located seven miles west of Vermillion.

‘Hope For All The World’ Concert Dec. 5

Mercy Meals of Yankton has announced that legendary contemporary Christian artists Phillips, Craig and Dean will perform in concert in Yankton with their “Hope for all the World” Christmas tour on Saturday, Dec. 5, at the YHS/Summit Activities Center Theater beginning at 7 p.m.

For more than two decades, this trio has churned out some of Christian music’s most enduring songs, including 23 number-one singles and three Dove Awards. Their music is enjoyed by all generations.

Proceeds from the concert will support Mercy Meal’s ongoing ministry to provide nourishing meals for the children of Haiti.

Tickets are available at Clark’s Rentals, Rexall Drug and the Carpenter’s Shop in Yankton. You can go online at iTickets.com or by calling 1-800-965-9324.

Salem Reformed Church Soup Kitchen Set

MENNO — Menno’s Salem Reformed Church, 707 S. 5th St., will hold its annual Soup Kitchen at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, running from 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

A free-will offering will be asked.

UCC Christmas Coffee, Bake Sale Dec. 5

The annual Christmas Coffee and Bake Sale will be held at the United Church of Christ (Congregational) in Yankton Dec. 5.

Doors open at 1 p.m. There will be cookies, candy, snack items, gourmet desserts, kuchen, breads, canned goods and other miscellaneous goodies for sale. Enjoy homemade pie and coffee before or after you shop the bake sale.

At 2:15 p.m. those who wish may go to the sanctuary where Ted Powell, organist, will play Christmas carols on the church’s magnificent organ to put you into the holiday spirit.

Each guest takes home a gift, compliments of Katherine French, the chairwoman.

Kids Talk About God

How Can I Accept The Way I Look? (Part 2)

BY CAREY KINSOLVING AND FRIENDS

“I can learn to accept my appearance as a unique creation of God if I could have a little more money so that maybe I can get a pony!” says Madeline, 10.

First you get the pony, and then you’ll want the hat, western shirt and boots. Everyone wants a pony. It’s something that we desire to make us look better. But after we get our pony, there’s always another one just over the horizon.

For years, my pony has been a baby blue Jaguar convertible. If I could only get a Jag, I know I would look sooo much better. But then, I would have to have the little sports car hat and driving gloves as well.

“I can be happy with the way I look by remembering when Seth’s sister said I look cute,” says Joshua, 6.

Hey, if Seth’s sister says you’re cute, that’s great. But what if another girl says you look like a bull with buck teeth? What happens then?

Grant, 11, has something to say about this: “Throughout my life, people called me names because that’s the way most people think about my looks. God created me, and you should know God created you the way you are for a reason.”

Only the divine perspective can lift us above the chatter of people who try to

get ahead by name calling. Every time I fly on an airplane, I’m always amazed at how quickly the people and cities below become so small. If you could travel to the moon, the entire Earth would appear as a dot. The closer you become to God, the less you’ll be disturbed by the opinions of cruel people.

When you know that God created you for a reason, you can accept your appearance as part of God’s plan. This doesn’t mean you should live on Twinkies® and Kool-Aid®. Accepting your appearance as part of God’s plan includes being a good steward of what God gave you.

While we’re on the subject of food, I know my wife will be glad to hear what Chelsea, 11, said: “I’m like a piece of chocolate candy, and God is the candy maker. He molds my life to make it fit his image.”

There will probably be times when we feel more like a dried-up turnip than a piece of delectable Godiva® chocolate. During these times, we have to lock onto what God is doing and ignore other voices.

“Sometimes you might not feel like you look good, but it doesn’t matter what you look like on the outside. It matters what’s on the inside,” says Andrew, 9.

The story of the prophet Samuel’s search for the Lord’s anointed man to replace King Saul reminds us of the difficulty

of looking past outward appearances. Samuel was a prophet of God, yet when he saw David’s older brother, he thought this surely must be the Lord’s anointed.

“But the Lord said to Samuel, ‘Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.’” (1 Samuel 16:7).

Think about this: God wants to deliver us from living by appearance.

Memorize this truth: 1 Samuel 16:7 quoted above.

Ask this question: If a prophet of God can be taken in by someone’s appearance, how much more do we need to be on guard against choosing our friends based on their appearance?

“Kids Talk About God” is written and distributed by Carey Kinsolving. To access free, online “Kids Color Me Bible” books, “Mission Explorers” videos, a new children’s musical, and all columns in a Bible Lesson Archive, visit www.KidsTalkAboutGod.org. To read journey-of-faith feature stories written by Carey Kinsolving, visit www.FaithProfiles.org.

Pope Africa Plans Unchanged, But Bodyguard Does Extra Check

BY NICOLE WINFIELD

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — Pope Francis is going ahead with plans to visit the conflict-racked Central African Republic, but his top bodyguard is doing an unusual, last-minute on-site survey to determine if security concerns require any changes to the itinerary, the Vatican said Thursday.

Francis is expected to visit the capital, Bangui, on Nov. 29-30 after first making stops in Kenya and Uganda. The Vatican said that in each country, Francis plans to use

his open-sided popemobile for some transfers.

The Vatican spokesman, the Rev. Federico Lombardi, said the pope wants to bring a message of peace and reconciliation to Central African Republic, where deadly violence between Christians and Muslims has flared recently despite the presence of more than 11,000 U.N. peacekeepers and police.

Lombardi said the Vatican is going ahead with the pope’s busy program in Bangui, which includes a visit to the main mosque, an interfaith meeting with Catholic, Evangelical and Muslim representa-

tives, a big Mass and an evening prayer vigil. He said the Paris attacks hadn’t changed the itinerary.

Nevertheless, Francis’ top bodyguard, Domenico Gianni, is leaving early for Bangui for a last-minute survey, and will only join the papal delegation once Francis arrives in Nairobi on Wednesday for the start of the trip, Lombardi said.

“We’re following the situation, and will take decisions that can be necessary if there’s something unforeseen or unusual,” Lombardi said. “But we’re going

ahead with the plan, which includes the Central African Republic.”

He said the pope firmly believes that he can contribute to the pacification of the country, and encourage dialogue between Christians and Muslims, “with his presence, his words and his prayers.”

The Vatican’s ambassador in Bangui, Monsignor Franco Coppola, said if the situation remains as is, the trip will be confirmed since the security situation appears to be improving daily before the trip.

CHURCH SCHEDULES

Abundant Life Ministries	Bible Church	Catholic	Lutheran	Lutheran	United Church of Christ
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.	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.	St. Josephs Catholic Church, Constance, NE. Rev. James Keiter. SAT 7:30pm Mass.	CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH NALC. 305 W. 25 th , Yankton, 605-665-8848. Rev. Dani Jo Ninke. SAT 5:30pm worship service. SUN 9am worship service.	Trondhjem Lutheran Church (AFLC), rural Volin. 605-263-3841. Sunday 9:15am; 10:30am Worship	United Church of Christ Crofton NE, 412 W Main St., (402)388-4124 Pastor Woodrow Weidner SUN 10:00am Worship.
Alliance of Renewal Churches	Catholic	St. Leo Catholic Church Tyndall Saturday 5:30pm Mass; Sunday 8:30am Mass. Confessions 45 mins before each Mass. Father Joseph Forcelle.	FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN, 44874 303 rd St., Volin SD 57072, 605-267-2277. SUN. Worship Services 9:30am. Childrens Education WED. Evening (WOW) 6:30-7:30pm.	Vangen Lutheran Church, Mission Hill. 605-665-5426. Worship 10:30am. Sunday School 9:30am.	United Church of Christ (Congregational) 210 West 5 th St. Yankton SD 605-665-7320 Pastor Molly Carlson. SUN 10:00am Worship 11:00am Fellowship.
Living Water Christian Fellowship, Sunday 10am Yankton Middle School (2000 Mulberry) Wed 7pm Prayer. David Olson, pastor. 605-260-2138.	Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, St Helena, NE. Rev Eric Olsen. 402-357-2400. Mass: Saturdays 5pm. Through November.	St. Patrick's Catholic Church Wakonda, SD. Father David Roehrich, Sunday 8:30am Mass.	FIRST AMERICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH, AFLC 300 S. Carpenter St., Tripp. 605-935-6941 9:30am Sunday School; SUN. 10:45 Worship firsthope@santel.net	Non-Denominational	United Methodist
Assembly of God	SACRED HEART CATHOLIC 509 Capitol, Yankton, Rev. Larry Regynski. 665-3655 (office). SAT 4:30pm Mass SUN 8am, 9:30am, 11am MASS THUR 12:30pm, 2:30pm and 7:30pm Confessions.	St. Vincent Catholic Church Springfield, SD. Sunday 10:30am Mass. Confessions ½ hour before. Father Joseph Forcelle.	GAYVILLE-BERGEN LUTHERAN 605-267-4342, Bergen Worship-9:00 am, Sunday School-9:00 am Gayville Worship-10:30 am, Sunday School 9:15 am.	DISCOVERY CHURCH 205 W 3 rd Street, Yankton. (605)689-2211. Pastor Jon Cooke discoverychurchoffice@gmail.com SUN: 9am Sunday School, 10:30am worship, WED: 6:30pm Discovery Zone for Kids, Adult Bible Study and Youth Group. www.discoverychurchyankton.org	FIRST UNITED METHODIST Yankton. Rev. Ron Johnson, Pastor, 207 W. 11 th St. 665-2991. Contemporary Service Sunday: 8:30am 9:45am Sunday school. Traditional Worship Service 11am.
Baptist	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. 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.	HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH, AFLC 200 South Wilson, Delmont. 605-935-6941. SUN 9am Worship. 10am Sunday school. Firsthope@santel.net	GLORY CHRISTIAN Center, 901 E 11 th St. Yankton. Gail Ryken, pastor. 605-665-2369. SUN. 10am Service. WED 6pm Prayer. GC School, call (605)665-1988.	KYNT 1450 AM Radio
ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH, 100 E. 6 th St., Kevin Caskey, Pastor, 605-665-0066. SUN. 9:30am Sunday School, 10:45am Preaching Service, 4pm Preaching Service WED 7pm Preaching Service.	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.	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	Our Redeemer Lutheran rural Irene. 605-263-3724. Sunday 9am Worship.	Presbyterian	KYNT 1450 AM Radio Sat 10:30am "Saturday Morning Live." Sur 8:30am United Methodist Hour 9:05am "God's Good News." 9:30am St. John's Lutheran Church.
BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH 301 Ohio St., Wakonda. Dr. Calvin Jones, pastor. 605-267-1100 SUNDAY Worship 11am.	St. Agnes Parish Sigel rural Utica. Mass time: Every 2 nd , 4 th Sunday at 10:30am in winter & 8:30am in summer. Confessions ½ hour before Mass. Father Steven Jones.	Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Bow Valley, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen 402-357-2400. Mass: Sundays 11am. Through November.	Our Savior's Lutheran, LCM/NALC, Menno. Pastor Theresa Jacobson Office 605-387-5241. Worship Saturdays 7pm.	Peace Church (PC/USA), 206 E. 31 st . Rev. Jennifer Swier, 605-665-0448. Sunday 11:00am worship. Fellowship & Sunday school 10:30am. Aired at 8pm Friday on Ch. 3 & 98.	WNAX 570 AM Radio
CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, 2407 Broadway, Yankton (605) 665-5594 SUNDAYS: 9am Sunday School for all ages, 10:30am Worship Service MONDAYS: Service broadcast 7:30pm Channels 3 & 98. WEDNESDAYS: 6:30pm AWANA, 6:45pm The Pursuit Youth Group (Grades 7-12), 7pm Adult Bible Study. Interim Pastor Ralph Porter, Associate Pastor Rick Slattery, Youth Pastor Adam Ansel, Children's Ministry Director Laura Kotalik www.cbchurch.com	St. Andrews Catholic Church, Bloomfield, NE. Fr. Michael Schmitz. Sunday Mass 8:10:30am; 2 nd , 4 th , 5 th , Tuesday Mass 8:00am; Thursday Mass 8:00am	Church of Christ	Our Savior's Lutheran, LCMS, 12 th and Elm, Springfield. Rev. Kenneth Johnson, pastor. Sun. 8am Worship. 9am SS. Thur. 7pm Adult Bible study.	Reformed	MIX 106 FM Radio
Harvest Independent Baptist, 100 W. 3 rd , 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.	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	Church of Jesus Christ	Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Wisconsin Synod, 201 E. 25 th Street, Yankton. Pastor Winfried Schroeder 605-665-4793. Sunday 9:15am. Worship; 10:15am Bible Study	Riverview Reformed Church, 17 th St. & Burleigh, Yankton. Reverend Rodney Veldhuizen, pastor. 605-665-9204. Sun. 9:30am Worship, 10:15am SS. Wed. youth group & adult choir.	Classic hits 106 KVHT FM Radio SUN.-THUR. 10:05PM Family Radio Rosary with Bishop Robert Carlson.
Yankton Baptist Church, SBC, 607 East 15 th St., Yankton, SD. 605-665-7587. SUN 9:30am Bible study, SS; 10:45 am Worship. WED 7:00pm Midweek service.	St. Boniface Catholic Church, Menominee, NE. Rev. James Keiter. SUN 8:30am. 1 st SAT of month 8:00am	Church of Christ	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.	Seventh-Day Adventist	ESPN Radio 1570
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