

Fish Aren't Wet - They Wear A Coat!

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"I pray not that thou shouldst take them out of the world, but that thou shouldst keep them from the evil that is in the world." John 17:15 KJV

This is a big fish season here on the mighty Missouri: Pad-dlefish, Bass, etc!

You ever watched a fisherman pull a slippery fish from the water and try to grab it to get it off the hook? If you tried it you know how slippery and slimy they are. We may think, "They are just all wet."

Scientists tell me that fish are not wet! At first we might think those scientists are pulling our leg, or that they are all wet! Fish have a special coat that keeps them dry; this coat also helps keep the fish clean. They are not like other animals that can clean themselves with their tongues or preen their feathers.

Fish need this protective mucus coat to ward off diseases and parasites, like young mussel

shells or acorn barnacles, which would attach themselves to the fish. Disease and parasites would not only slow them down, but also kill them.

This special coating also helps fish move more efficiently through the water. Scientists have found that even though most fish have streamlined shaped bodies the coating reduces the friction that fish experience with the water.

I don't know about you, but I know I need a coating to protect me from sin like the fish have a coat of protection. I believe God

will give us one too. Christ prayed that God would not take us out of the world of sin, but protect us while we live on this sin-infested planet. In Job 1:10 Satan accuses God of putting a hedge of protection around Job. Isaiah claimed that God clothed him with garments of salvation and gave him a robe of righteousness in Isaiah 61:10.

If you are not experiencing this coat of protection from God, talk to your pastor. If you don't have a pastor, give me a call, 605 660-5969.



REFLECTIONS

Hallelujah Fest Prepares For Fun, Safe Halloween

Looking for a fun, wholesome and safe place for your kids to go on Halloween? Bring them to Hallelujah Fest on Monday, Oct. 31, at the City Gym, Fifth and Walnut, Yankton, between 6-8 p.m.

There's all kinds of fun games and activities including face painting, cookie walk, football, basketball, fishing pond, golf, duck pond, a puppet show, the pumpkin story and much more. Also, candy, popcorn and prizes for everyone, along with door prize giveaways throughout the evening. Many great prizes have been donated by local businesses. Everyone is welcome and everything is free.

Hallelujah Fest is a great alternative to Trick or Treating sponsored by area churches. For more information, call 661-2360 or 661-0938.

RELIGIOUS MOMENTS

Tabor Catholic Women To Hold Halloween Party

TABOR — FCSLA/Catholic Workman W093 is having a Halloween Party at noon on Sunday, Oct. 30, 2011. There will be a noon potluck followed by a short meeting. It is Priesthood Sunday. All parishioners are welcome to join in the party to honor our priests.

There will be prizes for Best Costumes for all ages. For any questions contact any officer.

UCC Hartington Plans Worship In The Polka Mode

HARTINGTON, Neb. — Hartington First Congregational United Church of Christ will be the setting for "Worship in the Polka Mode" Sunday, Oct. 30, at 9 a.m. Last year's service was well received and requested to be repeated. Members of the choir leading the service are from Coleridge Pilgrim Congregational UCC and Hartington First Congregational UCC. Worship service at Pilgrim Congregational UCC has been canceled and members are encouraged to attend the service at Hartington. A fellowship hour will follow. The service is open to all.

Merkle To Share Story Of 'Tragic Blessing'

Bret Merkle will share his amazing story of "Tragic Blessing" at Bergen Lutheran Church, rural Meckling, as part of the annual "Come to the Table" event on Sunday, Oct. 30, at 2 p.m.

Bret's inspiring story recounts the touching story of his journey from athletic achievement and physical strength as a two-time all-state quarterback, to surviving a harrowing motorcycle accident that left him fighting for his life and permanently paralyzed from the waist down. Bret fought through twenty surgeries, six months in the hospital and years of physical rehabilitation. Through it all, Bret learned how to walk again and although still eighty percent paralyzed, Bret says he walks by faith. Bret continued on with his education in spite of his physical limitations and chronic pain. He finished with a law degree and an MBA degree and is now a trial attorney in Sioux Falls.

All are welcome to attend this event and hear the inspiring story of how Bret Merkle overcame many obstacles to find victory and joy in life. "Come to the Table" is sponsored by the Bergen Lutheran Church WELCA. The church is located seven miles west of Vermillion on Timber Road.

St. Mary's Altar Society Hosting Soup Dinner

DANTE — The St. Mary's Altar Society will host a soup dinner at the CCD Center in Dante on Sunday, Oct. 30, running from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

The menu will include homemade soups, taverns, hot dogs, chili dogs, chicken salad sandwiches, kolache, pies and desserts. There will be other games and activities, as well. Also, Assumption Centennial Cookbooks will be available for purchase.

St. Paul 47th Annual Bazaar Set For Nov. 3

FREEMAN — St. Paul Lutheran Church of Freeman will hold the 47th Annual Bazaar in the church fellowship hall on Nov. 3. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. Features include a country store, crafts and needlework along with a lunch counter with soups, hot sandwiches, salads and desserts.

World Community Day Planned For Nov. 4

Church Women United invites all women to World Community Day. This celebration of worship and fellowship will be held Friday, Nov. 4, at 1:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Catholic Church, located at Fifth and Capital Streets in Yankton.

"Living Our Faith, Unlocking Action" is the theme. Music, Scripture and meditation will be led by women of eight Yankton churches.

Annual Swiss Steak Dinner Set For St. Helena

ST. HELENA, Neb. — The St. Helena Catholic Order of Foresters' annual Swiss Steak Dinner will be held at Immaculate Conception Hall in St. Helena, Neb., on Sunday, Nov. 6. Meals will be served from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

The dinner features Swiss steak served with mashed potatoes, choice of vegetable, salads, dinner roll, and dessert.

Proceeds from the dinner will go towards new restrooms at the St. Helena Social Club Hall.

For more information, contact Victor Paltz at 402-357-2163 or full-house@gpcom.net.

Menno Soup Kitchen To Be Held At Our Savior's

MENNO — Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 29219 431 Ave., rural Menno, is sponsoring a soup kitchen on Sunday, Nov. 6, running from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Their menu will include soups with sandwiches, desserts and beverages. There will also be a bake sale.

A free-will donation will be asked. For more information, contact Barb Ulmer at 605-387-5256 or cbulmer@svtv.com.

Sacred Heart Dinner And Bazaar Planned

Sacred Heart Parish Dinner & Bazaar will be held on Sunday, Nov. 6, 2011. Serving will be from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. at the new Sacred Heart Parish Center, 5th & Capital Street, Yankton, SD.

The dinner menu includes delicious turkey and stuffing, mashed potatoes & gravy, cranberries, dinner roll, salad, dessert and beverage. There are special prices for 6th Grade-Adult, Preschool-5th Grade, with free meals for children ages 2 & under.

The bazaar includes books, baked goods, and games. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Calvary Baptist Winter Hours To Begin

Beginning Nov. 6, Calvary Baptist Church Sunday morning worship service will begin at 10:30 AM. Children and youth Sunday School as well as all adult community groups will meet at 9:00 AM. Please note this permanent change of schedule.

UCC Springfield To Host Turkey Dinner Nov. 9

SPRINGFIELD — The Women's Fellowship of the United Church of Christ in Springfield is holding its annual turkey dinner with all the trimmings from 5-7 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 9, at the Community Services Center at Springfield.

Bazaar items will also be available starting at 4 p.m., with baked goods, etc., at the Community Center. Raffle tickets may be purchased for numerous prize drawings. Toy need not be present to win.

Annual Yankton Community Feast Nov. 23

The 16th annual Yankton Community Feast will be held Wednesday, Nov. 23, at Calvary Baptist Church, 2407 Broadway, Yankton. Serving time is 4:30-7 p.m.

Currently, volunteers and donations are being sought for the feast. Items being sought include turkey, dressing and pies. If you are interested, contact Donna Madson at 760-3170.

Also, cash donations for the feast are being accepted at First National Bank South Dakota, 332 Broadway.

Meals can be delivered only for shut-ins. If interested, call 760-3170 by 5 p.m. Nov. 18.

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. 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 Worship, 11:00a.m. evening 6:00pm WEDNESDAY Bible Study 12:00noon.

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.

Baptist

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH, 2407 Broadway. Yankton. (605)665-5594. Rev. Jon Cooke, Pastor Jeremy Nelson, and Laura Kotalik. www.cbchurch.com SUNDAY Oct. 30 8:30 AM Intercessory Prayer Time 9:00 AM & 10:45 AM Worship Service MES-SAGE: "Production Report" 10:45 AM Sunday School & Adult Community Groups 6:00 PM Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University MONDAY Oct. 31 9:00 AM Ladies Shop Time (Prayer Time) 7:00 PM Divorce Care 7:30 PM Service broadcast on Channels 3 & 98 TUESDAY Nov. 1 7:00 PM "Snatched from the Fire" Prayer Time WEDNESDAY Nov. 2 6:45 AM Men's Prayer Time 9:00 AM Joy in the Morning 12:15 PM Weigh in For God's Glory 5:30 PM Wednesday Night Meal 6:00 PM Intercessory Prayer 6:30 PM TORCH Bible Study 6:30 PM AWANA 6:30 PM 7 & 8 Grade Youth Group 7:00 PM 9-12 Grade Youth Group 7:00 PM Adult Bible Study THURSDAY Nov. 3 10:00 AM Preschool Storytime 7:00 PM Fire by Night 7:00 PM Celebrate Recovery FRIDAY Nov. 4 11:30 AM Mid Day Meal.

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 (Sts. Peter & Paul), Bow Valley, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen (402)357-2400. Mass: Saturdays 5pm.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Immaculate Conception), St. Helena, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass: Sundays at 9am.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OF CEDAR COUNTY (Sacred Heart), Wyanot, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen. (402)357-2400. Mass times: Saturdays at 8pm, Sundays at 11am.

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.

Catholic

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 Luif, 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. OCTOBER WEEKEND Mass Sundays 10:30 a.m. or call Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly. (605)583-4318.

ST. COLUMBA CHURCH, rural Irene. OCTOBER WEEKEND Mass Sundays 9:00 a.m. or call Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly. (605)583-4318.

ST. GEORGE CHURCH, Scotland, SD. Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly. OCTOBER WEEKEND Mass Saturdays 7 p.m. 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. Mass: 8:30am. WED/FR. 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. 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; 7pm Kids for Christ & Adult Bible Study.

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 Cir 665-0901. SUN. 10am Sacrament meeting.

Episcopal

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 517 Douglas, Yankton. Rev. James Pearson, (605)665-2456. Sunday 9:00 am Serenity 10:15 am The Holy Eucharist. Wednesday 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, Worship Service 10:00 am www.emmanuelyankton.com (605)665-0404.

Lutheran

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

Lutheran

GAYVILLE-BERGEN LUTHERAN Pastor Ralph Egbert. (605)267-4342 (church) Sunday: (605)267-4342. Worship-9:00am, SS-10:15am GLC SS- 9:15am, GLC Worship-10:30am.

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH, AFLC 900 South Wilson, Delmont. (605)935-6941. SUN 9am Worship. 10am Sunday school. firsthope@santel.net

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. Interim Past 9:00am with brunch to follow; Sunday School 10:20a.m. Questions call (605)387-5256

OUR SAVIOR'S LUTHERAN, LCMC, 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: 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. Saturday-5:30p.m. Worship; Sunday-8:15a.m./10:45a.m. Worship; 9 a.m.-Breakfast; Classes-9:30a.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, Hartington/Crofton, NE, Justin Wise, interum 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.

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. 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, pastor. SAT. 6PM Church school, 7PM Worship. Second THUR. 2PM Ladies Aid.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, 301 W. Franklin, Hartington, NE, (402) 254-6563 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, 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.

KYNT 1450 AM Radio

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