

## Redeeming Grace Bible Movie Night Set

Redeeming Grace Bible Church will host a free Movie Night at 6 p.m. Oct. 25, at 708 E. 19th Street in Yankton.

The movie is “Let the Lion Roar,” a 65-minute docudrama. Following is an excerpt from a Dove Foundation review: “This movie makes a great point about the grace of God and His love. Church historians are portrayed from the past, played by the likes of Eric Roberts, Kevin Sorbo, John Schneider and Stephen Baldwin.”

The film makes a great case for the need to continue the work the Reformation began.

## Benedictine Retreat At Monastery Oct. 31

The Benedictine Peace Center at Sacred Heart Monastery, Yankton, is holding a retreat on Saturday morning, Oct. 31, running from 9:15 a.m.—noon.

Building upon the resources of the St. John’s Bible on display at Mount Marty College (<https://www.mtmc.edu/benedictineinstitute/stjohnsbible.aspx>), the retreat, “Visio Divina — Praying with Your Eyes,” will help you slow down and notice the subtle ways that God speaks to us through word and art. Praying with Scripture passages and the accompanying Illumination from the Saint John’s Bible will be part of your prayer experience, guided by S. Mary Jo Polak, OSB.

For more information, go to [www.yanktonbenedictines.org/center](http://www.yanktonbenedictines.org/center), then to the Opportunities and Events page to download a brochure. To register, e-mail [benedictinepeacectr@mtmc.edu](mailto:benedictinepeacectr@mtmc.edu) or call 605-668-6292.

The suggested donation is \$15. Persons of all faiths are welcome. Pre-register by Oct. 27.

## Sacred Heart School Soup Luncheon Set

The Sacred Heart School Soup Luncheon will be held Tuesday, Oct. 27, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Community Center.

The menu includes chili, veggies, chicken noodle soup, taverns, ice cream, coffee and juice.

Free-of donation will be accepted, with all proceeds benefitting the Yankton Homeless Shelter.

## Halloween-Themed Bingo Night At School

The public is invited to the first Sacred Heart School bingo night of the school year on Friday, Oct. 30, at the Sacred Heart Community Center. Halloween is the theme, so wear your costumes. Bingo starts promptly at 6:30 p.m.

Pizza and refreshments are available for purchase starting at 5:30 p.m.

## Yankton Baptist ‘Fall Fest of Fun’ Oct. 31

Yankton Baptist Church (YBC) hosts its Fall Festival of Fun event for youth, children and parents on Saturday, Oct. 31, from 2-5 p.m. at the church, located at 607 E. 15th St.

The community is invited to gather in the church yard and take in the fun and refreshments. There will be free activities and food for everyone.

Pastor Larry Wollbrink said, “The church wants everyone to know YBC loves and appreciates our community.”

This event is just another part of the larger church revitalization taking place at Yankton Baptist Church. For more information visit [YanktonBaptistChurch.com](http://YanktonBaptistChurch.com) or call 605-665-7587.

# Vatican Denies Pope Is In Ill Health After Newspaper Report

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Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — The Vatican on Wednesday denied Pope Francis is in ill health, saying his head is “absolutely perfect” after an Italian newspaper reported he had a small, curable brain tumor. The Japanese brain cancer specialist identified in the report as having made the diagnosis denied having ever examined the pontiff.

The Vatican spokesman, the Rev. Federico Lombardi, said the report in the *National Daily* was “completely unfounded and seriously irresponsible,” as well as “absolutely inexcusable and unconscionable.” The Vatican newspaper suggested the timing of the publication smacked of an attempt to manipulate the outcome of a hotly contested meeting on family issues at the Vatican.

Citing unnamed nursing sources, the *National Daily* said the 78-year-old pope had been examined by a Japanese brain cancer specialist, Dr. Takanori Fukushima, who determined that the small dark spot on Francis’ brain was a tumor that could be treated without surgery. It said Fukushima had traveled to the Vatican from a clinic in Pisa to examine the pope.

The ANSA news agency, citing unnamed sources in Pisa, said Fukushima traveled to the Vatican in January and diagnosed the

pope then.

In a statement issued late Wednesday by Duke University in North Carolina, Fukushima said: “I have never medically examined the pope. These stories are completely false.”

Lombardi dismissed the reports to journalists Wednesday, issuing three separate and increasingly exasperated denials as the day wore on and after consulting with the pope himself, who appeared in fine form during his weekly general audience.

Lombardi said no Japanese doctor had visited the pope, the pope had not traveled to Pisa for treatment, that no helicopters had landed in the Vatican from the outside and that no tests as described in the newspaper had been performed on the pope.

However, he didn’t specifically deny that the pope had a brain tumor, issuing only specific denials about irrelevant details such as helicopter trips.

“I can confirm that the pope is in good health,” Lombardi said. “If you were in the piazza this morning you would have seen that as well. And if you go on the trips with him, you know he has a small problem with his legs, but his head is absolutely perfect.”

The newspaper’s editor, Andrea Cangini, said he stood by the story. In an interview with The Associated Press, he said the newspa-

per worked for months to cross-check the information with various sources from different places, and that there was “not the minimum doubt” that it was true.

Without going into details about Francis’ medical chart, Cangini said the tumor is small, can be treated pharmacologically and is in an area of the brain that isn’t difficult to work around. “The diffuse opinion among the doctors who are treating this case is that surgery is unnecessary and that the problem is under control,” he told AP.

Fukushima is a consulting professor of neurosurgery at Duke University Medical Center and director of the Carolina Neuroscience Institute in Raleigh. That he has been at the Vatican and met with the pope is not in doubt.

On his Japanese-language blog, Fukushima has an entry from September 2014, complete with photos of him meeting the pope in St. Peter’s Square. He wrote that his father had served as a priest at the Meiji Shrine and was a senior priest at the Association of Shinto Shrines and that he was “overwhelmed” to meet with Francis.

In a blog post from January-February of this year, Fukushima wrote that he went back to the Vatican on Jan. 28, via helicopter, and met with several cardinals including Cardinal Angelo Comastri, the archpriest

of St. Peter’s Basilica. Both visits were arranged on the sidelines of surgical duties he was performing in Rome and elsewhere, he wrote.

Cangini said the paper had deliberated a long time before publishing the news, which it said it had confirmed months ago. But he said he had determined that Francis was a public figure and that his public persona outweighed his right to privacy.

The publication, however, comes at a delicate time for Francis, in the final days of his hotly contested synod on the family, which has shown a split among conservative and liberal bishops over how to convey the church’s teachings on marriage, sex, homosexuality and other issues.

Several conservative bishops and cardinals have complained that the synod, which Francis called, is creating confusion and “anxiety” about the church’s teachings.

The Vatican newspaper, *L’Osservatore Romano*, suggested that the report was aimed at manipulating the synod process.

“The moment chosen (to release it) reveals the manipulative aim,” of trying to make something out of nothing, *L’Osservatore* wrote.

A close confidante of Francis, the Rev. Antonio Spadaro, tweeted that the attempt may have been more personal.

“Now they don’t know what else to say ... After all the lies they’re now inventing illnesses! A good sign ...”

# Yankton’s 21st Annual Hallelujah Fest Oct. 31

Looking for a fun, wholesome and safe place for your kids on Halloween? Bring them to Hallelujah Fest on Saturday, Oct. 31, at the City Gym, 5th & Walnut, Yankton, from 6-8 p.m.

There will be various games and activities. Also, there will be candy, popcorn and prizes for everyone. There will be door prize drawings for children 12 and under throughout the evening for prizes donated by local businesses.

Everyone is welcome and everything

is free. Hallelujah Fest is an alternative to Trick or Treating sponsored by area church groups.

For more information, call 660-2826.

# CHURCH SCHEDULES

**Abundant Life Ministries**

**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.

**Alliance of Renewal Churches**

**Living Water Christian Fellowship,** Sunday 10am Yankton Middle School (2000 Mulberry) Wed 7pm Prayer. David Olson, pastor. 605-260-2138.

**Assembly of God**

**FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD** 801 W. 25<sup>th</sup> 605-665-6362 (office) SUN 10am Bible teaching sermons WED 6:30pm Midweek services and Bible study for all ages. [www.yanktonassembly.com](http://www.yanktonassembly.com)

**Baptist**

**ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH,** 100 E. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Kevin Caskey, Pastor, 605-665-0066. SUN. 9:30am Sunday School, 10:45am Preaching Service, 4pm Preaching Service WED 7pm Preaching Service.

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH** 301 Ohio St., Wakonda. Dr. Calvin Jones, pastor. 605-267-1100 SUN-DAY Worship 11am.

**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](http://www.cbchurch.com)

**Harvest Independent Baptist,** 100 W. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 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, 607 East 15<sup>th</sup> St., Yankton, SD. 605-665-7587. SUN 9:30am Bible study, SS; 10:45 am Worship. WED 7:00pm Midweek service.

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**Bible Church**

**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.

**Catholic**

**Immaculate Conception Catholic Church,** St Helena, NE. Rev Eric Olsen. 402-357-2400. Mass: Saturdays 5pm. Through November.

**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.

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church** Wynot, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen 402-357-2400. Mass times, Sundays 9am. Through November.

**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 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.

**St. Agnes Parish** Sigel rural Utica. Mass time: Every 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 10:30am in winter & 8:30am in summer. Confessions ½ hour before Mass. Father Steven Jones.

**St. Andrews Catholic Church,** Bloomfield, NE. Fr. Michael Schmitz. Sunday Mass 10:30am; 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday Mass 8:00am; Thursday Mass 8:00am

**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

**St. Boniface Catholic Church,** Menominee, NE. Rev. James Keiter, SUN 8:30am. 1<sup>st</sup> SAT of month 8:00am

**St. Boniface Idlylwilde,** rural Freeman, SD: Sunday Mass 11:00am 605-327-3438 [www.stbonifaced-parishesonline.com](http://www.stbonifaced-parishesonline.com)

**St. George Scotland,** SD: Holy Mass Sundays 9a.m. 605-583-4318. [www.parishesonline.com/stgeorgescotlandsd](http://www.parishesonline.com/stgeorgescotlandsd)

**St. John** the Baptist Catholic Church, Fordyce NE. Rev James Keiter. SUN 10:30am Mass. Mon, Tues, Wed, 8:00am Mass. 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 8:00am Mass

**St. John** the Baptist Catholic Church, Lesterville. Mass time: Every 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday 10:30am winter & 8:30am summer. Confessions ½ hour before. Father Steven Jones

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**St. Josephs Catholic Church,** Constance, NE. Rev. James Keiter. SAT 7:30pm Mass.

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**St. Leo Catholic Church** Tyndall Saturday 5:30pm Mass; Sunday 8:30am Mass. Confessions 45 mins before each Mass. Father Joseph Forcelle.

**St. Patrick's Catholic Church** Wakonda, SD. Father David Roehrich, Sunday 8:30am Mass.

**St. Vincent Catholic Church** Springfield, SD. Sunday 10:30am Mass. Confessions ½ hour before. Father Joseph Forcelle.

**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.

**Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church,** Bow Valley, NE. Rev. Eric Olsen 402-357-2400. Mass: Sundays 11am. Through November.

**The House of Mary Shrine,** 6 miles West of Yankton, Hwy. 52. Masses: 9am. every Sat. & Mon. April-Sep. Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary before Masses. Rosary: Sunday 4pm. Open 7 days a week for prayer. [thehouseofmaryshrine.org](http://thehouseofmaryshrine.org)

**Church of Christ**

**CHURCH OF CHRIST,** 1114 West 12<sup>th</sup>, Yankton, 605-665-6379. SUN 9:30am Bible Study; classes for all ages. 10:30am Worship. WED Bible Study 7pm KDLT-TV 9am Sundays.

**Church of Jesus Christ**

**CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST LATTER-DAY SAINTS,** 2300 Douglas, Yankton. Michael Maxwell 402-586-2345. Family History Ct. 605-665-0901. SUN. 10am Sacrament meeting.

**Episcopal**

**CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH** Sunday 9am Serenity, 10am The Holy Eucharist & Sunday School. Mondays 10:30am Centering Prayer. Wednesdays 7pm Meditation.

**Evangelical**

**EMMANUEL CHURCH** We gather together for worship every Sunday at 9:30 AM at the Yankton Middle School (2000 Mulberry). [www.emmanuelyankton.com](http://www.emmanuelyankton.com) (605)760-1143.

**Redeeming Grace Bible Church,** 19<sup>th</sup> & Burleigh, Pastor Raymond Bolberg, Assoc. Steve McHone. 605-665-6317. 9am-SS; Worship 10:15am, 6pm Bible Study, Wed.-6:30pm kids for Christ/Adult Study.

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**CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH** NALC: 305 W. 25<sup>th</sup>, Yankton, 605-665-8848. Rev. Dani Jo Ninke. SAT 5:30pm worship service. SUN 9am worship service.

**FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN,** 44874 303<sup>rd</sup> St., Volin SD 57072, 605-267-2277. SUN. Worship Services 9:30am. Childrens 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** 605-267-4342, Bergen Worship-9:00 am, Sunday School-9:00 am Gayville Worship-10:30 am, Sunday School 9:15 am.

**HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH,** AFLC 200 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](http://www.MartinusLutheran.org)

**Our Redeemer Lutheran** rural Irene. 605-263-3724. Sunday 9am Worship.

**Our Savior's Lutheran,** LCM/MNALC, Menno. Pastor Theresa Jacobson Office 605-387-5241. Worship Saturdays 7pm.

**Our Savior's Lutheran,** LCMS, 12<sup>th</sup> 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. 25<sup>th</sup> Street, Yankton. Pastor Winfried Schroeder 605-665-4793. Sunday 9:15am. Worship; 10:15am Bible Study

**South Dakota Lutheran Church** Missouri Synod, MAIN STREET LIVING television program, 10am (CST) on KDLT-NBC; and 11am (CST) on KRA-PAX; and 10am (MST) on KKRA-PAX.

**St. John Lutheran Church,** Tyndall. Pastor Dean Schroeder. Sunday Divine Service; 8:30am; 605-589-3195. [www.StJohnsTyndallLCM-S.org](http://www.StJohnsTyndallLCM-S.org)

**St. John's Lutheran Church** (LCMS), 1009 Jackson. Pastor David Gunderson. SUN 8am Worship, 9:15am Education Hour, 10:30 am Worship.

**Trinity Lutheran Church,** Hartington/Crofton, NE. Amanda Jertson pastor; (402)254-9606. SUN 9am Worship (Hartington), 10am SS (Hartington), 11am Worship (Crofton).

**Trinity Lutheran Church,** 403 Broadway Yankton, 665-7415. Contemporary Service SAT 5:30pm & SUN 8:15am. Traditional Service SUN 10:45am. Sunday school 9:30am.

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**Vangen Lutheran Church,** Mission Hill. 605-665-5426. Worship 10:30am. Sunday School 9:30am.

**Non-Denominational**

**DISCOVERY CHURCH** 205 W 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Yankton. (605)689-2211. Pastor Jon Cooke [discoverychurchoffice@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://www.discoverychurchyankton.org)

**FAITH ALIVE,** 501 Cedar St., Yankton. 665-4797. Contemporary Worship & Family Values. SUN: 10am service. WED. 7pm CareCells “Small Groups For Building Relationships” Various Locations.

**GLORY CHRISTIAN Center,** 901 E 11<sup>th</sup> St. Yankton. Gail Ryken, pastor, 605-665-2369. SUN. 10am Service. WED 6pm Prayer. GC School, call (605)665-1988.

**Presbyterian**

**Peace Church (PCUSA),** 206 E. 31<sup>st</sup>. Rev. Jennifer Swier, 605-665-0448. Sunday 11:30am worship. Coffee 11am. Aired at 8pm Fri. on Ch. 3 & 98.

**Reformed**

**Riverview Reformed Church,** 17<sup>th</sup> St. & Burleigh, Yankton. Reverend Rodney Veldhuizen, pastor. 605-665-9204. Sun. 9:30am Worship, 10:15am SS. Wed. youth group & adult choir.

**Seventh-Day Adventist**

**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](http://Yanktonfruitprogram.org)

**United Church of Christ**

**CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST,** Newcattle, NE, 303 Hwy. 12, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. SAT 6pm Church school, 7pm Worship. Second THURS. 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, NE. 402-283-4824 or 664-5310, Rev. Gary Kimm, pastor. Sun 9:30am Church School, 10:30am Worship.

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**United Methodist**

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST,** Yankton. Rev. Ron Johnson, Pastor, 207 W. 11<sup>th</sup> St. 665-2991. Contemporary Service Sunday: 8:30am 9:45am Sunday school. Traditional Worship Service 11am.

**First United Methodist.** Wakonda, Irene, Viborg: Pastor Judy Saylor. SUN 8:30am Worship at Wakonda; 9:45am Worship at Irene; 11am Worship at Viborg.

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