

## First Assembly Missions Festival Activities Set

Yankton First Assembly of God Missions Festival activities have been planned to be held at the church at 801 W 25th Street, Yankton.

On Saturday, Oct. 1 at 6 p.m. a missions banquet will be held with Stephen's House ministry serving: bacon wrapped chicken, corn on the cob, baked potato and salads.

The drama "Are You Ready for the Trumpet Call?" will be presented.

A free will offering will be taken.

Sunday, Oct. 2 at 10 a.m. with guest missionaries Mark & Daniela Brink - Teen Challenge for Muslims.

## St. Columba Mayfield Church BBQ This Sunday

The St. Columba Mayfield Church is having a BBQ on Sunday, October 2, 2011. Serving will be from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. Meal includes Pork sandwiches, beans, salads and pies. Adults are \$6.00, 6-12 years are \$4.00 and under 5 are free.

There will be a country store, games and raffles. Valet parking is available. Tickets are on sale now from any church member. For any questions call Ann Larsen at 605-660-3363.

## Trinity To Host 'A Night In Africa' Oct. 4

Trinity Lutheran Church of Yankton and Jane Pugh present "A Night in Africa" at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 4.

The public is invited to come share Jane's personal and spiritual journey in Kenya and Tanzania. Her stories, photos and passion for Africa will delight and uplift you.

African-themed refreshments and fellowship to follow program.

Trinity Lutheran Church is located at 403 Broadway. See www.tlcyankton.com for more information.

## Pleasant Valley Lutheran To Hold Soup Supper

VERMILLION — Pleasant Valley Lutheran Church, located at 45918 308th St., Vermillion, will hold its annual Soup Supper on Wednesday, Oct. 5, running from 5-7:30 p.m. in the church basement.

The menu includes chicken-and-dumpling soup; vegetable beef soup; chili; taverns, ham sandwiches, pie, ice cream and beverages for a free-will donation. There will also be a bake sale. The public is invited to attend.

## St. Boniface Fall Supper To Be Held Sunday, Oct. 9

FREEMAN — The annual St. Boniface Fall Supper will be held at St. Boniface Catholic Church, 28703 444th Ave., Freeman, at 4:30-7:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9.

The menu will include roasted chicken from Central Catering, Swedish and BBQ meatballs, au gratin potatoes, corn, salads, desserts, buns and beverages. There will be a raffle for handcrafted items, processed beef and pork, cash and miscellaneous items.

For more information, contact Eileen Hora at 605-660-2645 or puhldvm@hotmail.com.

## Yankton Food Pantry In Need Of Donations

Many organizations and churches will begin their annual holiday collection programs this fall. One thing the Yankton Food Pantry always runs short on is paper and toiletry items. Pantry officials ask the public to take into consideration donating items such as bar soap, shampoo and conditioner, toothpaste, brushes, combs, deodorant, toilet paper, size 4, 5 and 6 diapers, shaving cream, razors and powdered laundry detergent.

Whatever you choose to donate, rest assured everything gets used unless the "use by" date has passed.

The Contact Center Food Pantry is in need of some food items as well as the personal items. Any donations would be greatly appreciated and much needed. Some of the items we could use are: Hamburger and Tuna Helpers; Tuna; Macaroni and Cheese; Vegetable and Chicken Noodle soup; Peanut butter and Jelly; Mashed potatoes; Instant Rice; Ketchup, Mayo, and Mustard; Canned fruits such as: Peaches, Pears, Mandarin Oranges; Whole kernel corn; Pork and beans; Cereal or instant oatmeal; Cake mixes, brownies, frostings; Saltine crackers.

The Yankton Food Pantry and Contact Center accepts donations made by the citizens of Yankton and the surrounding communities. If you have any questions, call Kelli at 605-260-4414.

# Armor Bearers Provide Last Defense In Church Security

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ORLANDO, Fla. — On Sunday mornings, while members of the congregation at the Faith & Power Worship Center in Apopka, Fla., close their eyes and bow their heads in prayer, one man keeps his head up, his eyes open.

He is Minister David Sepulveda. And he is armed.

"It's not there for everyone to see," he said, "but it's there."

Sepulveda is the "armor bearer" of Senior Pastor Matthew Shaw. An armor bearer — a Biblical reference to the one who carries the spear and shield of a warrior — is traditionally the person in the church who assists the pastor in everything from adjusting the temperature in the sanctuary to picking up visitors at the airport to running interference for the minister.

But the armor bearer's duties also have, in recent years, come to include protecting the safety of the pastor. When a gunman burst into the Greater Faith Christian Church in Lakeland, Fla., on a recent Sunday and shot pastor William Boss and associate pastor Carl Stewart, the two men who subdued him were described as armor bearers.

"If it came to that point, then the armor bearer is the last line of defense before they get to the pastor," said Shaw. "As long as he is on duty, he needs to have his eyes open and seeing what is going on in the house. He keeps his eyes on the pastor."

Sepulveda's day job is working as an Orange County, Fla., deputy sheriff. But on Sundays, for the past 10 years, he has been the spiritual bodyguard of Pastor Shaw. During the service, Sepulveda is seated behind Shaw, his attention directed at the congregation in the pews.

"I'm looking for new people coming into the sanctuary. I see what clothing they are wearing, if they have their hands in their pockets. I look at their ankles — a bulge could be firearm," said Sepulveda, 46, who has served as an armor bearer for more than half his life.

In many churches, the armor bearer is not armed and is not responsible for protecting the minister. He is more of an unpaid personal assistant.

"The term 'armor bearer' was basically a person who assisted the pastor," said the Rev. Willie C. Barnes, pastor of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church in



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**At Apopka's Faith & Power Worship Center, David Sepulveda, left, is the armor bearer of Senior Pastor Matthew Shaw, in Apopka, Florida. An armor bearer, a Biblical reference to the one who carries the spear and shield of a warrior, is traditionally the person in the church who assists the pastor in everything from adjusting the temperature in the sanctuary to picking up visitors at the airport to running interference for the minister.**

Eatonville, Fla. "What it has evolved into is men and women who are prepared to assist and deter any kind of attack."

In most small churches, the responsibility for church security falls to the deacons, ushers and greeters. While larger churches can afford private security and off-duty police officers, small churches rely on the keen eyes and quick responses of a few men trained to intercede.

Greeters are instructed to watch for people entering the church who behave oddly or look suspicious. Ushers are trained to deal with those who become disruptive. Often, it is someone who arrived at church intoxicated, high or angry. Without disrupting the service, ushers will escort the person outside the church.

"The key to security of a church is not about bodyguards. It's about layers of security — from the guy directing traffic to the greeter to the deacons who might help them to their seats," said James Sang Lee, the former security director for Northland, a Church Distributed, who now heads his own faith-based security company.

Rarely are they required to intercept someone who is violent or threatening —

nor are they expected to put themselves in danger.

"You can't tell people to put themselves in harm's way," said the Rev. O'Hara C. Black, pastor of Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church in Orlando, Fla.

At the same time, Black said, nearly every congregation has men with military and law-enforcement experience whose training and background have prepared them to step in when there is trouble inside the sanctuary.

"I consider that my role — to make sure the man of God is protected," said Sepulveda, who served in the Army and nearly 10 years in law enforcement. "Before he would die, I would die. That is my job."

At the Faith & Power Worship Center, trouble has to pass through the discrete but discerning eyes of greeters and ushers who are instructed to sense danger from the averted gaze, the sweaty-palm handshake, the shirking of an embrace.

If trouble makes it past those full-body screeners, there's Minister David Sepulveda.

"If lethal force is required," said Pastor Shaw, "we have a person there who is armed and dangerous."

## 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 12Noon.

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 Sept. 25 8:30 AM Intercessory Prayer Time 9:00 AM Adult ENCORE Community 9:00 AM & 10:45 AM Worship Service MESSAGE: "Signs of Neglect" 10:45 AM Sunday School for all ages 6:00 PM Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University MONDAY Sept. 26 9:00 AM Ladies Shop Time (Prayer Time) 7:00 PM Divorce Care/DC4K 7:30 PM Service broadcast on Channels 3 & 98 TUESDAY Sept. 27 7:00 PM Friendship Through Cards WEDNESDAY Sept. 28 6:45 AM Men's Prayer Time 9:00 AM Joy In the Morning 5:45 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 Adult Bible Study THURSDAY Sept. 29 10:00 AM Preschool Storytime 7:00 PM Celebrate Recovery FRIDAY Sept. 30 11:30 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 (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.

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 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 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. SEPTEMBER WEEK-END Mass Saturdays 4:30pm or call Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly. (605)583-4318.

ST. COLUMBA CHURCH, rural Irene. SEPTEMBER WEEKENDS Mass Saturdays: 6:15pm or call Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly. (605)583-4318.

ST. GEORGE CHURCH, Scotland, SD. Rev. Mathew Vazhappilly. SEPTEMBER WEEKEND Mass Sundays 9:30am or call (605)583-4318.

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

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC, Lesterville. 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/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. 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

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.

### Episcopal

CHRIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 517 Douglas, Yankton. Rev. James Pearson, (605)665-2456. Sundays 9:00 Serenity 10:15 Morning Prayer.

### 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 EVANGELICAL (meets at Summit Center Theatre) www.emmanuelyankton.com 1801 Summit, Yankton Sunday School-9:30 Coffee Juice & Donuts -10:15 Worship Service -10:45

### Lutheran

CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH: 305 W. 25th, Yankton, 665-8848. Rev. Dani Jo Ninke. SUN: 8:30am & 10am 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 firsthopec@santel.net

### Lutheran

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

HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH, AFLC 200 South Wilson, Delmont. (605)935-6941. SUN 9am Worship. 10am Sunday school. firsthopec@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 Pastor Leon Schulz. SUN. Worship, 8:30am with potluck brunch to follow. 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.StJohnsTyndallLCS.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 Wiess, interum pastor; (402)254-6606. SUN. 9am Worship (Hartington), 10am SS (Hartington), 11am Worship (Crofton).

### Lutheran

TRONDHJEM 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 (PCUSA), 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 Rev. Joe Schulte, Pastor. SUN-10am Worship, 11am-Fellowship, 11:05am Church Schl. Nursery Provided.

### United Church

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Crofton, Neb., 412 W. Main St., (402)388-4124, Pastor Les Parmentier. 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 METHOD-ODIST, Brook McBride, 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

KYNT 1450 AM Radio SAT. 10:30am "Saturday Morning Live." SUN. 8:30am United Methodist Hour. 9:05am "God's Good News." 9:30am St. John's Lutheran Church

WNAX 570 AM Radio. Lutheran Shows-6:30am, 8am, 11am. Wings of Healing-7:30am. Words of Hope 8:30am. Prov. Ref. Church-8:45am. Voice of Prop.-9:30am. Hr. of Hope 10am.ChristianCrusaders-10:30am.

### MIX 106 FM Radio

CLASSIC HITS 106 KVHT FM Radio SUN.-THUR. 10:05PM "Family Radio Rosary" with Bishop Robert Carlson.

### ESPN Radio 1570

ESPN RADIO 1570 SUN. 10:30AM Trinity Lutheran Church, Vermillion, worship.

### Knology

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