

Cowboy Church Service At WJ Ranch

FORDYCE, Neb. — WJ Ranch will offer a cowboy church service at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 13. The WJ Ranch is located 7 miles south of Yankton. Messages will be shared from horseback along with great gospel music and fellowship. The coffee will be on. All are welcome and invited. See www.schiferlswjranch.com.

Divorced And Widowed Support Group

The Divorced, Widowed and Separated Support Group of Yankton will be starting again Sept. 14. This group is a process designed to help those who have experienced any of these life-change moments and would like some help processing those changes. The group is faith based, but non-sectarian and is open and available to anyone who sees themselves in one of these times in their lives. The group meets at the Riverview Reformed Church building at 1700 Burleigh Street, Yankton, on Monday evenings at 7 p.m., and will meet for nine weeks. If you would like more information or to register, call the Family Education and Counseling Center 605-260-9284, or visit www.fecinc.com.

St. Paul Church Pie & Ice Cream Social

VERMILLION — St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 10 Linden Ave., Vermillion, will host a Pie and Ice-Cream Social Sunday, Sept. 20, starting at 5 p.m. A free-will offering is asked. For more information, contact Stanley May at (605) 670-6736 or smay@usd.edu/.

Women's Bible Studies Set For Calvary

Fall Women's Bible Studies will begin at Calvary Baptist Church soon. "Joy in the Morning" meets Wednesday mornings from 9-11 a.m. beginning Wednesday, Sept. 16, with childcare available. They will study Priscilla Shirer's "Armor of God." "Fire by Night" meets Thursday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m. beginning Thursday, Sept. 17. They will study "One Thousand Gifts" by Ann Voskamp.

Through "Armor of God," women will learn how the enemy fails when he meets a woman dressed for the occasion. All day, every day, an invisible war rages around you — unseen, unheard, yet felt throughout every aspect of your life. A devoted, devilish enemy seeks to wreak havoc on everything that matters to you: your heart, your mind, your marriage, your children, your relationships, your resilience, your dreams, your destiny. But his battle plan depends on catching you unaware and unarmed. The enemy always fails miserably when he meets a woman dressed for the occasion! This seven week study is more than merely a biblical description of the believer's inventory, it is an action plan for putting on the armor of God and developing a personalized strategy to secure victory.

In the five session, video-based study "One Thousand Gifts," Ann Voskamp ponders the question of finding joy in midst of everything from the typical grind of daily chores and deadlines to the calamity every person eventually faces. "How," Ann muses, "do you break the bondage of fear that has white-knuckle control on your life and instead embrace the everyday blessings that immerse you in Christ's fullness? How can you live life with a heart overflowing with delight?" Ann encourages participants to find the good in life in all circumstances. It's only through gratitude for the life we already have, that we discover the life we've always wanted — a life we can take, give thanks for and use to serve others.

The Bible studies are open to all women who would like to attend. Please call the church office (605-665-5594) for more information or to register.

Reflections

When Darkness Is Light

BY WAYNE SHARP
Yankton Church of Christ

When the darkness of trials and troubles comes, where is God? When it seems that those I have been praying for don't get well, don't live right, don't treat me right, where is God? Where is the Light in such oppressive darkness?

One man knew of such darkness. His name was David. He knew what it was to flee for his life when the king he served faithfully, Saul, sought to kill him. He knew what it was for friends to become enemies and even for his son to seek to take his throne away from him and kill

him. He knew what it was to be in the darkness of his own sin. But he also knew that the darkness could not keep the Lord from knowing about what David was facing and from caring for him. David wrote these words:

If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me," even the darkness will not be dark to You; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to You. (Psalm 139:11-12)

When we are in our own darkness, God sees and God cares. Wherever we are, as David wrote, "even there Your hand will guide me, Your right hand will

hold me fast" (v.10). In another Psalm David wrote, "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me" (Psalm 23:4).

Have we known the presence of God in good times? Have we seen Him in blessings? Perhaps through our mortal eyes and our imperfect faith we see Him in the "light" of His blessings, but in the darkness of trials our night vision is not always so good. But His is.

The Lord is my Shepherd, even in the dark.

Fall Benedictine Lecture To Highlight 'Saint John's Bible'

Mount Marty College and the Benedictine Institute for Leadership, Ethics and Social Justice, in conjunction with a year of The Saint John's Bible event, are pleased to announce the visit of Fr. Michael Patella on Sept. 27 as the featured speaker of the Fall Benedictine Lecture.

Fr. Michael will present, "The Saint John's Bible: A Spiritual Encounter with God" beginning at 7 p.m. in Marian Auditorium. Two volumes of The Saint John's Bible will be on display beginning at 6 p.m. near the Bede Art Gallery adjacent from the auditorium. The presentation is free and open to the public and will include a question and answer opportunity.

The Saint John's Bible, the

world's first hand-written, hand-illuminated bible in over five centuries, was completed in 2011 as a commissioned work by St. John's University and St. John's Abbey, Collegeville, Minnesota. Fr. Michael Patella, the chair of the Committee of Illumination and Text, will demonstrate and discuss the spiritual and theological experience of both the committee and the artists in developing the bible.

The scholars and artists of the Committee on Illumination and Text for The Saint John's Bible were charged with selecting the passages for depiction within the Bible, and to do so they engaged lectio divina. Within this prayerful reflection, the Committee discussed their personal and col-

lective thoughts on Scripture and the Christian Tradition, and they sent notes of the discussion to Donald Jackson and his artistic team in Wales. The results of this transatlantic dialogue are visible in nearly each of the 1136 pages of The Saint John's Bible.

A Benedictine monk at St. John's Abbey in Collegeville, Minnesota, Fr. Michael is a professor of New Testament, teaching both in the undergraduate theology department and the graduate School of Theology and Seminary Studies Program at St. John's University, where he also serves as seminary rector and the director of the graduate school's Holy Land Studies Program. He earned a License in Sacred Scripture

from Rome's Pontifical Biblical Institute and a Doctorate in Sacred Scripture from the Ecole biblique et archeologique francaise in Jerusalem. He has published in the areas of Luke, Mark, Paul, angels, and demons, and also has written for The Bible Today and Give Us This Day. His most recent book, "Word and Image: The Hermeneutics of The Saint John's Bible," won the Catholic Press Association's award in Biblical-Academic. Fr. Michael is a member of the Catholic Biblical Association.

For more information on the lecture or The Saint John's Bible at Mount Marty College, contact Andy Henrickson, Director of the Benedictine Institute, 605-668-1495 or ahenrickson@mtmc.edu.

Pope To Visit Kenya, Uganda And Central African Republic

BY NICOLE WINFIELD
Associated Press

VATICAN CITY — Pope Francis will make his first trip to Africa in November, visiting Kenya, Uganda and the Central African Republic in a pilgrimage that will bring him face to face with Islamic extremism and Christian-Muslim violence on the continent.

The Vatican on Thursday confirmed the Nov. 25-30 trip, saying Francis had

been invited by each of the three heads of states and local bishops.

The trip will pose security risks that have largely been absent on Francis' foreign trips to date.

Kenya has been facing the threat of attacks from al-Shabab Islamic militants ever since it sent troops to fight Somali rebels in 2011. Al-Shabab, which is linked to al-Qaida, has conducted major attacks in Kenya, including the 2013 attack on Nairobi's Westgate mall and an

April attack on a university in Garissa that killed nearly 150 people.

Survivors of the Garissa attack said gunmen targeted Christians and non-Muslims.

In Uganda, Francis will certainly refer to the Martyrs of Uganda, 45 Anglicans and Catholics killed during the persecution of Christians from 1885-87. Pope Paul VI canonized the 22 African Catholics in 1964.

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. 25th 605-665-6362 (office) SUN 10am Bible teaching sermons WED 6:30pm Midweek services and Bible study for all ages. www.yanktonassembly.com

Baptist

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH, 100 E. 6th 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 SUNDAY 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

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, 607 East 15th St., Yankton, SD. 605-665-7587. SUN 9:30am Bible study, SS; 10:45 am Worship. WED 7:00pm Midweek service.

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: Sundays 11am. Through August.

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, Saturdays 5:00pm. Through August.

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 2nd, 4th Sunday at 10:30am in winter & 8:30am in summer. Confessions 1/2 hour before Mass. Father Steven Jones.

St. Andrews Catholic Church, Bloomfield, NE. Fr. Michael Schmitz. Sunday Mass-10:30am; 2nd, 4th, 5th, 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. 1st SAT of month 8:00am

St. Boniface Idlywilde, rural Freeman, SD: Sunday Mass 11:00am 605-327-3438 www.stbonifacesd-parishesonline.com

St. George Scotland, SD: Holy Mass Sundays 9a.m. 605-583-4318. www.parishesonline.com/stgeorgescolandlsd

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

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Lesterville. Mass time: Every 1st, 3rd, 5th Sunday 10:30am winter & 8:30am summer. Confessions 1/2 hour before. Father Steven Jones

Catholic

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 1/2 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: Sunday 9:00am. Through August.

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 on Sunday 4pm. Open 7 days a week for prayer. thehouseofmaryshrine.org

Church of Christ

CHURCH OF CHRIST, 1114 West 12th, 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.emmanuelnyankton.com (605)760-1143.

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

Lutheran

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

FAITH UNITED LUTHERAN, 44874 303rd 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 firstthope@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. Firstthope@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. 605-263-3724. Sunday 9am Worship.

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

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 Winfried Schroeder 605-665-4793. Sunday 9:15am. Worship; 10:15am Bible Study

South Dakota Lutheran Church (LCMS), 1009 Jackson. Pastor David Gunderson. SUN 8am Worship, 9:15am Education Hour, 10:30 am (CST) on KDLT-NBC; and 11am (CST) on KAUN-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

St. John's Lutheran Church (LCMS), 1009 Jackson. Pastor David Gunderson. SUN 8am Worship, 9:15am Education Hour, 10:30 am (CST) on KDLT-NBC; and 11am (CST) on KAUN-PAX; and 10am (MST) on KKRA-PAX.

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 10:00am.

Lutheran

Trondhjem Lutheran Church (AFLC), rural Volin. 605-263-3841. Sunday 9:15am; 10:30am Worship

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

Non-Denominational

DISCOVERY CHURCH 205 W 3rd 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

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 11th 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. 31st. Rev. Jennifer Swier, 605-665-0448. Sunday 11:30am worship. Coffee 11am. Aired at 8pm Fri. on Ch. 3 & 98.

Reformed

Riverview Reformed Church, 17th 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

United Church of Christ

CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST, Newcalle, 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. 402-283-6563 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.

United Church of Christ Crofton, NE, 412 W Main St., (402)388-4124. Pastor Woodrow Weidner SUN 10:00am Worship.

United Church of Christ

United Church of Christ (Congregational) 210 West 5th St. Yankton, SD 605-665-7320 Pastor Molly Carlson. SUN 10:00am Worship. 11:00am Fellowship.

United Methodist

FIRST UNITED METHODIST, Yankton. Rev. Ron Johnson, Pastor, 207 W. 11th 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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