

# A Little Bit of Sunshine

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***And the Spirit immediately drove Jesus out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Mark 1:12-13***

*Wilderness...*

What comes to mind upon hearing that term? If you're at all an outdoor person, "wilderness" can evoke romantic visions of untamed, beautiful places where nature shines forth in unspoiled glory... a place you long to be, far away from paved streets, pollution and the throng of humanity. It's those places within our country that the U.S. Forest Service has designated as "wilderness areas," where no motorized vehicles are allowed, and access requires a little more work than usual, and you're advised to stay on the trails.

All romanticism aside, true wilderness is a bit more than that. There are no trails. True wilderness by its very definition is wild... untamed... dangerous to those who don't know it. To those who know it, it's not wilderness. At least, that seems to be how the Bible depicts it. In the scriptures, the wilderness is a place of foreboding... a place of temptation... a place where it's all too easy to lose one's way. (*Just think of Israel's forty years of wandering in the wilderness in the book of Exodus, constantly tempted to forget who they were and lose their way... looking for a home!*)

On the first Sunday of Lent each year, we read from scripture the story of Jesus, after his baptism, being immediately driven into the wilderness. It's there that he's met with temptation to forget who he is and to lose his way. The wilderness is where Jesus' journey begins. The rest of the story, if you look closely, is really Jesus making his way through wilderness of a different kind.

During the forty days of Lent this year, as we read stories from both Mark's and John's gospels, I'd invite us to imagine this journey as a wilderness trek. We'll be going along with Jesus through some pretty rough country... often deceptively dangerous territory. But we'll have a guide... one who has been there before; one who knows a way through it; one who is well aware of the dangerous, false trails; one packing a pretty potent First Aid kit and the ability to use it; and most importantly, one capable of taming the wilderness and making of it a garden.

It's a wild world we live in. But it needn't be for us a wilderness, a place of fear.

Join us on the Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings of Lent this year as we journey together, through the wilderness. It all starts on Ash Wednesday, February 14, and the journey continues to Good Friday on March 29. On Wednesday evenings of February 21 – March 20 we'll be using the Holden Evening Prayer liturgy as our framework for worship at 6:26 P.M. each night. So, lace up, and come along...

In hope of finding our way,

Pastor Stephan Sandness

# Ash Wednesday

We invite you into the season of Lent by offering you two opportunities for Worship at OSLC on Ash Wednesday, February 14 at 12:00 noon and 6:26 P.M. (Both services are identical... choose whichever works best in your schedule). On this day, we hear our Lord's invitation to a time of self-examination and repentance for the purpose of growing into a deeper understanding of God's grace and unconditional love. We mark our foreheads with the sign of the cross in ashes, reminding us of our mortality and our need for a life that must come from outside of ourselves. In the sacrament of Holy Communion, we're strengthened for the forty-day journey of Lent that will eventually put us at the foot of Jesus' cross on Good Friday.

Make plans to join us either at noon or at 6:26 P.M. to begin this deep dive into God's unbounded grace!

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The "Love Your Neighbor" Jar  
for the month of February  
will benefit OSLC campers going to Lutherans  
Outdoors Summer Camps.

December's Love Your Neighbor Jar  
raised \$698.63 for the Spearfish Ministerial  
Association and \$798.04 for Missionary Support.

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## Community Lenten Lunches and Worship Wednesdays

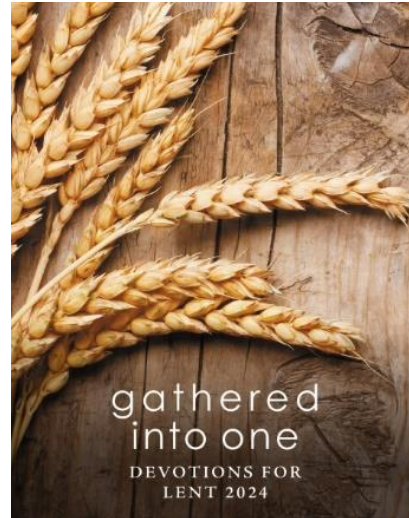
**February 21 – March 13  
12 noon**

**at United Methodist Church  
845 N 5th St, Spearfish**

***Proceeds benefit the Spearfish Ministerial  
Assistance Fund.***



## Gathered into One: Devotions for Lent 2024



*Gathered into One* provides daily devotions for each day from Ash Wednesday to the Resurrection of Our Lord/Vigil of Easter (traditionally known as Holy Saturday). Devotions begin with an evocative image and a brief passage from First Corinthians. The writers then bring their diverse voices and pastoral wisdom to the texts with quotations to ponder, reflections, and prayers.

Portions of First Corinthians appear in the Revised Common Lectionary during each lectionary year. The apostle Paul writes this letter to the church in Corinth after hearing of quarreling and divisions among the people. He teaches the Corinthians that each person has a unique set of gifts from the Holy Spirit, given for the common good, and reminds them that the church is the body of Christ, joined together with one bread, one cup, one baptism, one God, and one Spirit. This theme of unity amid diversity is as timely now as it was when Paul wrote to the Corinthians.

Look for these free Lenten devotional booklets to be available for pick-up on the Ushers' counter near the sanctuary doors at Our Savior's beginning February 1. We hope you'll grab one for your household! Electronic copies are available for purchase for the Kindle, Nook, or through Google play. Follow this link, choose your format, purchase a copy for your preferred reading app/device.

<https://www.augsburgfortress.org/store/product/9781506496610/Gathered-into-One-eBook>

Dear friends,

As we move further into this new year, I recognize that I desire more simplicity and gratitude in my life. And that is making me look at everything from a different perspective. I'm asking myself questions like "What are the essentials in my work and home life? What are my priorities and my joys? What do I need to release and let go?"

Since a very young age, Prayer (conversation with God) has been important to me. And I have learned so much throughout my life about the many ways that conversation happens in daily life—personally and corporately in community. But continue to learn. I invite you to join me in this exploration this month:

- Join us on Wednesday evening, February 7, at 6:26 pm in the church sanctuary for a "Service of Prayer for Healing and Light" as we end the Epiphany season of the church year.
- Pick up a copy of the new Lenten Devotional and commit to reading each day beginning Ash Wednesday, February 14. If you want to participate in an email group with me and Our Savior's Prayer Team members to briefly comment (when you feel so moved) about the prayers included in those daily readings, RSVP to me at [oslc1@rushmore.com](mailto:oslc1@rushmore.com).
- Come experience Centering Prayer in the church sanctuary beginning Tuesday, February 27, at 12:15 pm.

In Christ's love,  
~ Deacon Laura Lee Campbell



The new **WELCA cookbooks** are still available for you to purchase. These books are filled with recipes from our great OSLC cooks. They are wonderful to give as gifts, use yourself or just for a good read, and the cost is only \$20.00 with all monies going to WELCA. If you would like to purchase any, please contact Julie in the church office, Janet R. at 605-440-0183, or Cheryl W at 605-673-1334. Thanks to all of you who have already purchased these special books.



## A Service of Prayer for Healing and Light

**Wednesday Word, February 7**

**6:26 – 6:55 pm**

Join us for this peaceful time of Scripture readings, Music, and Prayer. You will have the opportunity to light a candle in silent prayer and/or to receive healing prayers with another.

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## Centering Prayer



**Tuesdays**

**- February 27, March 5, 12, 19**

Please join us during Lent on Tuesdays from 12:15 - 12:45 pm in the sanctuary at Our Savior's Lutheran.

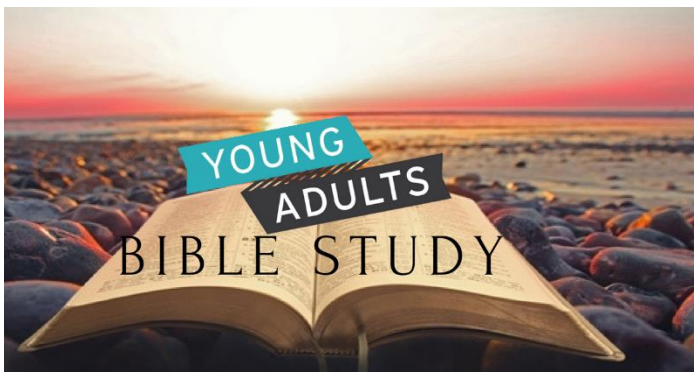
Centering Prayer is a form of contemplative prayer—the opening of mind and heart—to God. Come relax and experience this 20-minute meditative prayer form. Questions? Contact Deacon Laura @ 642-3715 or [oslc1@rushmore.com](mailto:oslc1@rushmore.com)

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## SonShine Squad

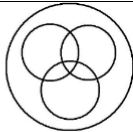
The SonShine Squad will meet on Monday, February 5 at 9:00 am. to make a small craft that each team will take to the home bound folks we visit. We welcome you to come check out our SonShine Squad to see if this is something you are interested in taking part in. You might help with our crafts, join a visiting team or both.





Join us Tuesday evenings at 7pm at The Living Room for the Young Adults Bible Study Group. Come as you are for a night of fellowship and discussion of the Word. We meet every Tuesday at 7:00 PM. Child care can be provided with advanced notice. Reach out to Brady Harr if interested or with questions 605-641-5949 or [bwharr@gmail.com](mailto:bwharr@gmail.com).

**Friendship Ministry**  
Extending the love of Christ  
from Friend to Friend



Friendship Ministers are lay people who make themselves available as listening and supportive friends. They are present through visits, phone calls, conversations at church, at work and in the community. Relationships vary from a one-time visit to a few weeks, a few months or years. Confidentiality is a core component of this ministry.

To learn how you can receive care from a Friendship Minister, call Nancy at 605-645-2723. The care you will receive is confidential and free.

***Do you sense a call to serve as a Friendship Minister? Training is simple and flexible; call Deacon Laura (605-642-3715) for more information.***



Food needs for February are:  
Apple juice, beef stew, jams or jellies, 2-pound bag flour or sugar, J-ello pudding or gelatin, pancake mix.



- Prayer Chain – Send prayer requests to [oslcprayers@rushmore.com](mailto:oslcprayers@rushmore.com).  
If you would like to be a member of the Prayer Chain group to receive email prayer requests, please send your email address to [oslcprayers@rushmore.com](mailto:oslcprayers@rushmore.com).
- Worship Bulletin Prayer List – Call the church office at 642-3715 or submit your request on the Prayer page of the church website at [www.oslcspearfish.com](http://www.oslcspearfish.com), under the Sharing Together tab, then to Prayer Ministry.
- Prayer Ministers – Pray with individuals on request. They also pray for the mission and ministry of Our Savior's Lutheran Church and for people on the prayer list. If you would like a prayer minister to pray with you—by phone, email, or text—please contact Helen Merriman at [helennessanmerriman2@gmail.com](mailto:helennessanmerriman2@gmail.com).
- Service of Prayer for Healing & Light - Held quarterly on Wednesday Evening
- Centering Prayer - Weekly during Lent from 12:15 pm – 12:45 pm

Questions? Contact Deacon Laura at [oslc1@rushmore.com](mailto:oslc1@rushmore.com).



Find out how you can make a difference in the life of an abused/neglected child. Northern Hills Area CASA will be hosting an informational "Learn About CASA" event on Thursday,

February 8, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. at the CASA office (741 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Spearfish).

Court Appointed Special Advocates promote and protect the best interests of children by being their voice in the courtroom. The next new volunteer training session begins on Monday, February 26. For more details about our organization, please visit our website at [www.nhcasa.org](http://www.nhcasa.org) or contact NHCASA Executive Director Amy Cermak at 605-722-4558.

## Gather

Women's Evening

Bible Study

*Scripture and nature:*

*Teachers of faith,*

by Rev. Sara Olson-Smith



Continuing...

Tuesday, February 20, 6:30 – 7:45 pm

*Creatures: Our siblings in praise and trust*

Tuesday, March 19, 6:30 – 7:45 pm

*Rivers: Springs of life and hope*

Tuesday, April 16, 6:30 -7:45 pm

*Food: Daily bread for the health of the world*

As a resource, we use the **Gather** magazine of the Women of the ELCA.

We meet at the church Fireside Room/Library.  
RSVP to [oslc1@rushmore.com](mailto:oslc1@rushmore.com) or 605-642-3715



## Senior Ministry

### Sunday Morning Transportation

Need a ride to church on Sunday mornings for the 8:30 AM Worship Service?

Call the church office (605-642-3715) by 2 pm Friday afternoon to reserve a ride.



**Senior Ministry**

**Valentine's Party**

**BINGO**

**Thursday, February 22**

**2:00 P.M.**

**Our Savior's Lutheran Church**

**Bring a friend!**

## Confirmation

February 7: **No Confirmation**

14: **Lesson**

21: **Lesson**

28: **Lesson**

### February Acolyte Schedule

Sundays, 8:30 AM Worship

Carson Skavang, Mykal Allbright

Sundays, 10:45 AM Worship

## High School Youth Group

**7:10 PM, Wednesday Evenings**

The Living Room, 810 N. Yale.

**For all freshmen through seniors.**

On these gathering nights we discuss matters of faith, life and anything on your mind. It is a great hour of fellowship and faith formation. It is a very informal and meaningful evening and bringing a friend or friends is always welcomed.

Our High School Youth are encouraged to sign-up for reminders by sending a text to:

**text @oslc to the number 81010**

Questions? Please contact Chris Blain at

[ckblain@gmail.com](mailto:ckblain@gmail.com).



*Secret Sisters*  
PRAY UPLIFT SUPPORT LOVE

Please remember your  
*Secret Sister* during the  
month of February by  
mailing a card and keeping her in prayer!

## ✠ Pastoral Acts ✠

### Baptism

January 7

Finnigan Christopher Michael Rotert,  
child of Brendan & Brooke Rotert

### Funeral

January 12

Shawn Haug, Spearfish, SD

Mary is with her granddaughter and gone out town so I will be writing this month's newsletter. It has been a while since I did this so am hoping I will not do too bad a job. Many prayers for Mary and her granddaughter and family.

In January we had our General meeting hosted by Deborah Circle. Thanks to the Deborah Circle members for a great breakfast and program. We voted on donations totaling \$7250.00 that will be made through out our community with funds raised at Julefest. Thanks again to everyone who was involved with helping us during Julefest. We were also blessed with a great program presented by Terri Firth the group leader for Quilts of Valor. What a blessing this Program is for those veterans who served our country and were never recognized. Please reach out to Terri if you know of a veteran who they could honor.

I want to thank Laura Campbell for organizing the Secret Sister Program. This program is meant as way for women of Our Savior's to get to know one another in our congregation. You can learn more about and maybe participate next year. Please contact Laura with any questions and if you are in the program please pray for your secret sister every day.

World Day of Prayer will be March 1. Please watch the bulletin for any updates on any programs in our community.

As we enter into the most important time of the Church year may we prepare our hearts for the Lenten Season and Glorious Easter! Lent will start with Ash Wednesday on February 14. The community Lenten luncheons will be at the United Methodist Church. The women of Our Savior's will be serving February 28 so you will probably be getting a call for help. Thank you in advance for responding so kindly.

At our General Meeting Laura called the names of saints and women who have been a big part of our WELCA group and who went to meet their Savior in the last year. There were names called of some very special ladies. We are so thankful for their service and now they rest at Jesus' feet. Thank you Laura it was so wonderful to honor their service to our group.

Upcoming events:  
Bear Butte Conference- St. James Lutheran –Belle Fourche – April 20  
Spring Prayer Brunch hosted by Esther Circle April 27.

Until Next Month – In God's Service,

Loretta Greni,  
WELCA Vice- President

## **WELCA Calendar**

Feb. Kitchen Duty	Deborah Circle
February 7 ~ 9:30 AM	WELCA Board Meeting
February 28 ~ 12:00 PM	OSLC serves the Lenten Lunch @ United Methodist Church

## *Circle Meetings*

### Circle Study Leaders:

Monday, February 5  
10:30 AM

### Esther Circle

February 8, 1:00 PM  
**Leader:** Beth Nielsen  
**Hostess:** Beth Nielsen

### Deborah Circle

February 12, 10:30 AM  
**Leader:** Kellie Pummel  
**Hostess:** Sally Elenberger

### Ruth Circle

February 15, 10:00 AM  
**Leader:** Marvis Custer  
**Hostess:** Connie Niehaus

## **Personal Care Kit**

**When LWR distributes Personal Care Kits, it's often to people who have lost everything. In the wake of an earthquake, or having fled from violence as their homes were overtaken, they clasp a towel from a faraway place, with a bar of soap, a toothbrush...and washing up, they know that they have not been forsaken by the world.**

Deborah Circle would like to encourage anyone to donate articles or a kit and put in the basket at the back of the fellowship hall. Personal Care Kits are **due Feb. 15.**

**Include the following items in each Personal Care Kit:**

- ❖ One bath-size towel (maximum 52" X 27"), dark color recommended
- ❖ Two bars of new soap, bath size in original wrapping
- ❖ One toothbrush, adult-size in its original packaging
- ❖ One sturdy comb, remove packaging
- ❖ One metal nail clippers (attached file optional), remove packaging



Wrap all the smaller items in the towel and tie securely with ribbon or yarn. *Do not enclose in plastic bag.*

***The very simple gesture of giving a Personal Care Kit can give someone the encouragement to start anew, starting with a bath. You can share God's grace and love by providing that simple comfort.***



## Children's Ministry News

### February 2024



#### Camp Sunday February Camp News

Paul Hanson, Executive Director of Lutherans Outdoors, will join us on February 4. He will have information about the summer camps that are available through Lutherans Outdoors.

Any student that has attended camp is asked to email a favorite camp memory to [oslc youth@rushmore.com](mailto:oslc youth@rushmore.com) which will be used during a camp presentation.

Summer camp is available for all students that have completed grades three through twelfth grade. Family camp is also available. All camps fill up fast, some dates are already unavailable! Families are urged to register as soon as possible and BEFORE April

Look at dates, camps available, and register here:

[www.losd.org](http://www.losd.org)

*Please don't let cost be the reason your child doesn't go to camp! OSLC provides scholarships to each camper that attends camp to help with costs, regardless of need! Additional scholarships may be available through Lutherans Outdoors. Applications for scholarships are available on their website.*



#### Ash Wednesday Soup Supper Campership Fundraiser

Wednesday, February 14, 5:16 pm. Camp families will prepare yummy soups, sandwiches, and desserts for supper as a fundraiser for camperships for kids that attend camp from OSLC! Show some CAMP LOVE and join us for supper to support this great cause!



#### Milestone Ministry

February 11 at 9:45am – Second Grade Milestone Ministry class “The Lord’s Prayer

Second grade students and a least one parent will join Miss Beth and Deacon Laura as they learn about the Lord’s Prayer and its importance to us as Christians.

March 3 – during either worship service, the second graders will be invited to join Pastor Stephan in leading the congregation during worship. Students will be called forward at the appropriate time.

Letters will be sent with more information; please be sure your contact and mailing information is current in the church office.



#### INTERGENERATIONAL Service Project for ALL!

We will be working side by side with one another, rolling bandages for Global Health Ministries on Sunday February 25 at 9:45 in the fellowship Hall!

Doing God’s Work with Our Hands!

#### KIDZONE!

KidZone meets on February 7 from 1:00 to 5:00pm. We will continue to learn about the Fruits of the Spirit!



# Our Savior's Lutheran Church

## Council Minutes

January 5, 2024 - 6:30 PM

OUR MISSION: Inspired by God's grace, we open our hearts to all in faith, prayer, fellowship, and service through Jesus Christ.

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Andy Binder at 6:35PM. All council members were present.
2. Approve Agenda: Sherry Kloeckl made a motion to approve the agenda, Mike Steffen seconded; motion carried.
3. Approval of the December Council Minutes: Pam Tyma moved to approve the December meeting minutes; Sherry Kloeckl seconded; motion carried.
4. Approval of the December Treasurer's Report: David Pummel reported that overall, we had a good year. December gross income matched last year, and we are at 93% of our budget. December expenses were reasonable and expected. We had a snowplow bill to take care of following the large snow accumulation over Christmas. There was discussion about where we would contribute for Mission Support and where we would look to use available funding options. This detail to be discussed at the February meeting. Mike Steffen moved to approve the December treasurer's report; Christina Miles seconded; motion carried.
5. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned with a motion by Nichole Braithwait and a second by Andy Binder at 7:00PM. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 13th, 2024, at 6:30PM.

Special thank you to David and Kellie Pummel for inviting us into your home for the evening. It was a wonderful evening, filled with gratitude and fellowship.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nichole Braithwait

## Treasurer's Report

As of December 31, 2023

Year-to-date Offerings:	\$593,033.00
Year-to-date Expenses:	\$599,068.00
Year-to-date Budget	\$638,894.00

## Yarn Ministry



Do you know someone who needs our prayers or the comfort of a prayer shawl representing our prayers? A prayer shawl is given to anyone upon request... generally to those who are in ill health, grieving, lonely, shut in, etc.

The shawl is a tangible representation of God's love, care and comfort available to the recipient, as well as the assurance that prayer has been made on behalf of the one who receives the shawl by others...by the one making the shawl and by the whole Yarn Ministry group as the shawl gets blessed before it is given out. Please come by the church office, Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM and ask for one.

In 2023 we gave out 92 prayer shawls and 48 lap robes to individuals and those living at Garden Hills Assisted Living, Edgewood Vista Assisted Living, Sandstone Manor, Pine Ridge, and to Prairie Hills Transit. We also gave 81 knitted/crocheted hats and 23 scarves to Pine Ridge, and 21 dishcloths to new church member families.

If you would like to join our yarn ministry, we meet every Monday afternoon from 1:00 - 3:00 at the church. We both crochet and knit the items. Everyone is welcome and we could really use your help!! Can't make it to join us? You could make your project at home and bring it to the church during office hours or on Sunday mornings. Need yarn? We have that too!

## Scriptures

**Feb. 4** Isaiah 40:21-31  
Psalm 147:1-11, 20c  
1 Corinthians 9:16-23  
Mark 1:29-39

**Feb. 11** 2 Kings 2:1-12  
Psalm 50:1-6  
2 Corinthians 4:3-6  
Mark 9:2-9

**Feb. 18** Genesis 9:8-17  
Psalm 25:1-10  
1 Peter 3:18-22  
Mark 1:9-15

**Feb. 25** Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16  
Psalm 22:23-31  
Romans 4:13-25  
Mark 8:31-38



# BENEFIT AUCTION for Noah Koerner

Saturday March 9, 2024

Park Pavilion 4-8pm

Silent Auction and soup feed



Noah was diagnosed with a rare blood and liver disease at 20 months called Erythropoietic Protoporphyrria (EPP). This disease causes Noah severe pain when exposed to any sunlight. Medical experts recommend a bone marrow transplant, scheduled in April, to cure Noah of this disease.

Donation account set up at BHFCU  
Donation items can be dropped off at  
Century 21

Contact  
Christina Miles 605-848-2340 or  
Marci Heubrock 605-641-6272

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## Office Notes:

The Good Shepherd  
Clinic will be closed  
Monday, February 19 in  
observance of  
Presidents' Day

The deadline for  
submission of items for  
the March newsletter is  
**Tuesday, February 20.**

Please send your  
newsletter items to Lisa  
at [oslc4@rushmore.com](mailto:oslc4@rushmore.com)

Ways to give electronically:

Scan this  
code to  
give online



Scan the code or go to our website, click on the  
**Online Giving button:**

Clicking on that button will take you to a secure page on  
which you can donate to the vital ministries of Our  
Savior's Lutheran Church directly from a checking or  
savings account, or using a credit or debit card.

**A reminder...** Our website contains the  
monthly newsletter, monthly calendar, and  
much more...Check it out at:  
[www.oslcspearfish.com](http://www.oslcspearfish.com).

Has your address or phone number  
changed? Please let us know at  
605-642-3715 or e-mail Julie at  
[oslc@rushmore.com](mailto:oslc@rushmore.com)

Prefer not to receive a paper copy of our  
newsletter? Let us send you an email with  
a link to our newsletter when it's posted to  
our website. If you are interested, please  
send your email address to Julie at  
[oslc@rushmore.com](mailto:oslc@rushmore.com) or call us at  
605-642-3715. Thank you!

# February Faith & Care Group (#10)

Ryan & MacKenzie Aalbu  
Steve & Jane Aalbu  
Chuck & Barb Aman  
Reece & Hazel Beck  
Kevin & Alex Boy  
Larry & Nancy Christopherson  
Kim Davis  
Tom & Becky DesMarais  
Ron & Ronnie Evenson  
Nate & Jayna Frederickson  
Janet Gordon

Dan & Karol Green  
Corinne Hansen  
Arnie & Nancy Harstad  
Reed & Beth Haug  
Carol Hilgemann  
Sharon Hoggatt & Craig Mickelson  
Ken & Sheila Kinghorn  
Mike & Danita Klinkel  
Jason & Becky Knudson  
Jill & Steve Olson  
Gwen Pickett

Jodi Pickett  
Kyle & Joanna Prewitt  
Mike & Wendy Roberts  
Russ Roots  
Stephan & Laura Sandness  
Kelly & Stacy Singer  
Mike & Peggy Steffen  
Jeff & Becky Sukstorf  
Anna Sukstorf-Ford  
Steve & Barb Verhulst  
Judy Woodworth



Members of this group will receive an email link to SignUp Genius where you can volunteer for the days and times that work best for you to serve as Welcome Center Host, Usher, Communion Assistant, Snack Provider, and Coffee Server.

Anyone (outside of this group) is also welcome to sign up if you wish! Email [sommerlyn.mortensen@gmail.com](mailto:sommerlyn.mortensen@gmail.com) that you want to receive the link.

## **Welcome Center Hosts (2):**

Arrive 30 minutes before the service begins. Stand by the Welcome Centers (one on each side). Warmly greet each group as they arrive.

## **Ushers (2):**

Arrive 30 minutes before the service begins. Stand by counters by the glass doors of the Sanctuary (one on each side). Welcome each family group or individual as they enter, hand them a bulletin, and assist them to find a seat if necessary. Count all heads in the room and record the number on the chart at the counter. At the time of communion, begin at the **front** and release one row at a time. If there are people in the Southeast section, start them first. Be the last to go up for communion.

## **Communion assistants (2):**

During the Offering, go to the Sacristy behind the altar and wash your hands with soap and water. Pick up a cup for wine. Then come out and stand by the bell cabinet during the Words of Institution and Lord's Prayer. Pastor will serve you communion. He will then give you a tray of bread (wafers). There are also gluten free wafers in small containers on the rail. Follow the pastor's lead to move to the front of the rail. As each person comes to you, place a wafer on their open hand (without touching the person) saying, "The body of Christ, given for you." If the person asks for gluten free, give them one of the bread containers from the rail. Upon finishing, hand the tray back to the pastor.

## **Snack providers (4):**

Bring 6 dozen cookies or bars to the church kitchen by 8 am on Sunday morning (or on Friday by 3 pm prior to your Sunday).

## **Coffee Servers (2):**

Check in with the Kitchen Coordinator (Pam England) by 8:15 am to familiarize yourself with the kitchen and to get instructions. She will have coffee and lemonade prepared. Keep the cookie trays in the kitchen until right before serving. Return to the kitchen after communion. Put cookie trays and coffee urns on the serving table. Be ready to serve at 9:30 am. Serve coffee as people come through the line. Near the end of coffee hour, assist the Kitchen Coordinator with cleanup as instructed—putting things away, washing dishes, wiping down tables/chairs.



February 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 12:00 PM Lunch @ TLR 1:00 PM Quilting 6:30 PM Book Talk	2 6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR  <i>Deacon's Day Off</i>	3 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM Case Birthday Party
4 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Education hour 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service  <b>Camp Sunday</b>	5 9:00 AM SonShine Squad 10:30 AM Circle Study Leaders 1:00 PM Yarn Ministry 6:00 PM Good Shepherd Clinic  <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	6 8:30 AM Fix-it Group 9:00 AM Quilting 5:30 PM Education Comm. 7:00 PM Young Adults Bible Study @ The Living Room	7 8:00 Chamber Mixer/GSC 9:30 AM WELCA Board Mtg 1:00 PM KidZone 5:15 PM Bell Choir NO Confirmation 5:16 PM Wednesday Supper NO Wednesday School 6:26 PM Wednesday Word ~ Healing Service 7:00 PM Senior Choir 7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR	8 12:00 PM Lunch @ TLR 1:00 PM Esther Circle 1:00 PM Quilting 6:30 PM Book Talk	9 6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR  <i>Deacon's Day Off</i>	10 8:00 AM Men's Fellowship
11 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Education hour 9:45 AM 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Milestone The Lord's Prayer 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service	12 10:30 AM Deborah Circle 1:00 PM Yarn Ministry 6:00 PM Good Shepherd Clinic  <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	13 8:00 AM Spearfish Ministerial 8:30 AM Fix-it Group 9:00 AM Quilting 2:00 PM Two on Tuesday Women's Bible Study 6:00 PM Finance Committee 6:30 PM Church Council 7:00 PM Young Adults Bible Study @ The Living Room	14 12:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service NO Bell Choir 5:15 PM Confirmation 5:16 PM Ash Wednesday Soup Supper 5:40 PM Wednesday School 6:26 PM Ash Wednesday Service 7:00 PM Senior Choir 7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR <b>Ash Wednesday</b>	15 10:00 AM Ruth Circle 12:00 PM Lunch @ TLR 1:00 PM Quilting 6:00 PM Artemis House 6:30 PM Book Talk	16 6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR  <i>Deacon's Day Off</i>	17
18 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Education hour 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service	19 10:30 AM Senior Ministry 1:00 PM Yarn Ministry <i>Good Shepherd Clinic ~ Closed</i>   <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	20 8:30 AM Fix-it Group 9:00 AM Quilting 6:30 PM Gather Women's Evening Bible Study 7:00 PM Young Adults Bible Study @ The Living Room  <i>Newsletter Items Due</i>	21 10:00 AM Spearfish Canyon Worship Service w/HC 12:00 PM Lenten Lunch @ United Methodist Church NO Bell Choir 5:15 PM Confirmation 5:16 PM Lenten Supper 5:40 PM Wednesday School 6:26 PM Lenten Service 7:00 PM Senior Choir 7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR	22 12:00 PM Lunch @ TLR 1:00 PM Quilting 2:00 PM Senior Ministry Valentine Party & Bingo 6:30 PM Book Talk	23 6:00 AM Christian Business Men's Group at TLR 7:00 AM GSC Board Mtg.  <i>Deacon's Day Off</i>	24 8:00 AM Men's Fellowship 8:00 AM Delta Kappa
25 8:30 AM Worship Service 9:45 AM Education hour 9:45 AM Rolled Bandages Intergenerational Service Project 10:45 AM Joyful Journey-led Worship Service	26 1:00 PM Yarn Ministry 6:00 PM Good Shepherd Clinic  <i>Pastor's Day Off</i>	27 8:30 AM Fix-it Group 9:00 AM Quilting 12:15 PM Centering Prayer 2:00 PM Two on Tuesday Women's Bible Study 5:00 PM Worship & Arts 6:30 PM Friendship Ministry 7:00 PM Young Adults Bible Study @ The Living Room	28 10:45 AM Edgewood Vista Worship Service 12:00 PM Lenten Lunch @ United Methodist Church 5:15 PM Bell Choir 5:15 PM Confirmation 5:16 PM Lenten Supper 5:40 PM Wednesday School 6:26 PM Lenten Service 7:00 PM Senior Choir 7:10 PM HS Youth @ TLR	29 12:00 PM Lunch @ TLR 1:00 PM Quilting		



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10:45 am Joyful Journey-led Worship Service  
*Live stream at 8:30 AM or watch later! Connect through our web site.*  
Wednesday 6:26 pm Wednesday Word

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