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SMALL GROUPS BEGIN MEETING JUNE 1 ST...



The CLF church council voted at their May 19, 2020 meeting to begin allowing small groups to meet in the church building effective June 1, 2020. There are guidelines we will all need to follow, but this is an opportunity to begin seeing each other and connecting in person. No hugging, though! Worship

will continue online only for now. Council will re-visit worship at our June council meeting.

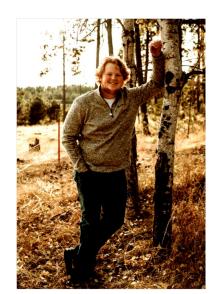
2020 GRADUATES

Congratulations to Ember Fluck, A.J. Kortemeyer, and Anna Marie Riner on their High School Graduation! Even though this wasn't the graduation they were expecting, they can still celebrate their completion of High School and look forward to where the Holy Spirit leads them in their future! Blessings to you all!





Ember Fluck Black Hills State, Spearfish, SD



A J Kortemeyer Dakota Wesleyan Mitchell, SD



Anna Marie Riner Gustavus Adolphus St Peter, MN

LIVING OUR BAPTISM ... Five gifts of discipleship

FAITH PRACTICE BIBLE STUDY...

Join Pastor Pam on Wednesdays starting June 10th as we explore how scripture guides us as we live out our baptismal promises. Each week we will study one of the scripture readings from the upcoming Sunday. We will be using a resource from the ELCA called Daily Faith Practices to explore how we live out our faith every day.

Pastor Pam will be offering this Bible study twice every Wednesday through the summer. We will meet in person at noon at the outdoor worship space if weather allows, or in the Fellowship Hall if it rains. Then at 6:30 pm we will have an online study through Zoom for those who cannot make it to the class at noon, those who are not comfortable meeting in person yet or those who are not local but want to participate. For the Zoom



Feel free to participate as often as you like. Each week is not dependent on the one before, so if you miss a week you won't be behind. Come, join us this summer as we use this time to grow in our faith together.



GUIDELINES FOR GATHERING IN SMALL GROUPS...

The CLF church council voted at their May 19, 2020 meeting to begin allowing small groups to meet in the church building effective June 1, 2020. The following are the guidelines to follow for these gatherings:

- Notify the church office (clf@gwtc.net) of the date and time of the gathering
- ♦ The gathering must be 10 people or fewer
- ♦ All participants must maintain a minimum 6 foot physical distance from each other
- ♦ All participants must wear a mask at all times while in the small group
- ♦ The group must use disinfectant supplies provided to disinfect and clean all areas they have touched, including bathrooms
- ♦ The group leader must complete the Group Log-In sheet with the names, phone numbers, and email addresses of all participants
 - ♦ This is done so we may contact anyone in the groups who may be exposed to COVID-19 at any point
- The Group Log-In sheet must be returned to the church office after each gathering
 - ♦ It may be placed in the Office Manager's or Pastor's mailbox, or slipped under the door if there is no one in the office.
- ♦ These guidelines also apply if the group is gathering at the outdoor worship space
- Most importantly, have fun in your small group!



I just posted a video on our Facebook page and our YouTube channel asking "What is your mission? What is our mission?" I only posted it the day I'm writing this, so have no responses yet, although I'm hopeful that some of you will share your thoughts and stories. I asked about our mission statement here at CLF:



Our mission at Custer Lutheran Fellowship is to plant the word of God, nurture growth in children and adults, and scatter the seeds of joy and faith in a diverse community.

We also state that God's Spirit inspires us to be:

- A worshiping community, hearing the life-giving Word of God receiving Christ's very presence in the Sacraments, and raising our voices in joyful songs of praise and prayer;
- A **growing** community, with building and grounds spacious enough for all;
- An intergenerational community, nurturing children and youth, young adults, people in mid-life, and older people as one family of God;
- A learning community, in which people of all ages take advantage of multiple opportunities to deepen their understanding of the grace and justice of God;
- A giving community, generously offering our time, talent and treasure to support each other and share in Christ's ministry:
- A **serving** community, reaching beyond ourselves to stand with the poor, the sick, the hungry and the oppressed;
- A witnessing community, eager to share with everyone the joy we have received from Christ.



I believe we are all of these things. Even now, amid the uncertainty of coronavirus. We are very much in an in-between time where we know where we've been, but we have no idea what the future holds. We may be longing for what was, which is natural.

But I would like us to focus more on what is happening *now*. Where do you see the Holy Spirit working **now**? How are you and I individually and as a community of faith living out our mission right now? It may be hard to say, "Yes, we are a worshipping community" right now when we cannot gather in our church building. But we are a worshipping community, we are simply worshipping differently. We are all the things listed above – worshipping, growing, intergenerational,

learning, giving, serving, and witnessing. We are simply doing them all differently right now.

Another question I have been thinking about a lot lately is, "What new things is God doing through this time? What new ministries and new ways of being church is being opened up for us now?" Of course I don't believe God caused this coronavirus so that we will begin new ministry, but I do think we have a unique opportunity now to really dream and listen to where the Spirit is leading us in the future. Yes, I long to be with all of you in worship. I miss hugs and visiting and singing together. And that will happen again at some point. But we also have the opportunity to dream of new ways of being togeth-

We have a new online faith community made up not only of local members from Custer, but people from all over the country! That's amazing! That is God at work! That is the Spirit moving! I will begin a new Bible study on June 10th with one session at noon in person here at our outdoor worship space, but another session the same day at 6:30 pm through Zoom where anyone anywhere can participate.

There are so many ways the Holy Spirit is working in and through each of you, and all of us together, in this time. I encourage each of us to look for the Spirit, celebrate when you see God working, and be open to the Spirit leading you and all of us into new opportunities to share the love and hope of Jesus.

Blessings as we journey into this new future together! Pastor Pam

PLEASE NOTIFY PASTOR PAM WHEN:

- *There is a hospitalization in your family
- *You would like a pastoral visit
- *Someone becomes homebound
- *There is a cause for sorrow or a cause for joy
- *There is a death in your family
- *There is a birth or adoption
- *Someone becomes unemployed

Hospitals don't notify the pastor that a member is in the hospital, even if they ask your church membership when you arrive. So please let the pastor know if you or a family member is in the hospital. Custer Lutheran Fellowship, the body of Christ, wants to bring you Christ's love in all the seasons of your life.

Pastor Pam Power pam clf@gwtc.net 701-955-5282(cell) 673-4691 (church)

CARING HANDS MINISTRY

The Caring Hands Ministry is alive and well at Custer Lutheran Fellowship! We may find it a little more challenging these days, but there are still many ways that we can reach out to those in need. Please consider serving in the following ways:

- Hands that pray for others.
- Hands that write a note card to the lonely or sick.
- Hands that make a phone call of encouragement.
- Hands that can drive someone to their appointments or pick up and deliver groceries.

everyone stays safe and protected from the virus.

 Hands that are willing to make a meal for someone who is alone or sick.

We have a list of many willing to lend a *Caving Hand*, but we need your help in hearing about those in need. If you, or anyone you know, would benefit from any of these services, please contact us. You can be the eyes and ears for our committee. When offering services, we will take every precaution to make sure

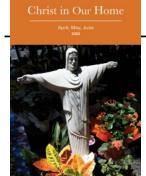
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Galatians 6:2 Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

| "CHRIST IN OUR | HOME" DEVOTIONAL

The "Christ in Our Home" daily devotional booklet is issued quarterly by Augsburg Fortress. The church still has a few copies of the April to June issue. The July to September issue now here. We give thanks to W/ELCA for providing this devotional for your personal use.

If you would like either issue, you can stop by the office to pick one up, or contact the church office to have a copy mailed to you.



FROM THE BISHOP'S DESK

Lutheran Social Services in South Dakota (LSS SD) and the South Dakota Synod office have had a longstanding relationship for the sake of ministry to the neighbor. As began my call as your Bishop, we were faced with flooding across the eastern part of the state, which followed a long winter, wet spring and summer. I reached out to LSS SD to see if we can partner to bring hope and tools to be a caring neighbor to the neighbor in our rural communities. I especially asked about a tool that can be accessed from the comfort of one's home to empower the individual to be confident about reaching out with a message of hope and practical steps to a neighbor that might be hurting. LSS SD went to work and developed such a web-based tool, called Psychological First Aid. This is a web based self guided resource that allows lay people and rostered leaders alike to acquire new skills in times of stress and grief to walk alongside community members with confidence and hope. Please look for detailed instructions on how to access and utilize this tool to the well-being of your community in the coming weeks. Thank you LSS SD for your partnership in ministry and you, ministry site partner, for being a good neighbor. Well done, good and faithful servants.

Journeying with you in Christ, Bishop Constanze

BLESSINGS IN THE MIDST OF CHAOS

Rev. Jonathan Steiner

Although our world has been rather chaotic lately, there are still so many things to give thanks for. God has blessed us with a life together, with a community to be part of, and with blessings in so many shapes and forms. One of those blessings is that we are stewards, caretakers of God's creation and everything in it. How are you taking care of what God has entrusted to you? How might you share your blessings with your neighbors?

GENERAL MINISTRY HOUSEKEEPING

Crystal McCormick

ELCA WORLD HUNGER:

More than 820 million people in our world today are undernourished. As members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, we are called to respond. Working with our neighbors in the United States and in more than 60 countries around the world, we start by listening and learning about how we can accompany them to help break the cycle of hunger and poverty —for good. From water wells to animal husbandry, microloans to health clinics, your gifts to ELCA World Hunger support innovative solutions that get at the root causes of hunger. And they don't stop there. We engageLutherans in advocacy and hunger education to act and speak in ways that can make a difference. We rely on your gifts. ELCA World Hunger is funded solely by gifts from ELCA members and congregations such as yours. Thank you for making this work possible through learning, action, prayer and giving. Visit https://elca.org/hunger for ways to give and get involved.

HIGHER INCOME + LOWER TAXES = GENEROSITY

Kathy McHenry, Executive Director, Lutheran Planned Giving of South Dakota School might be out for the summer, but this is one equation you'll want to remember. Charitable gift annuities offer a guaranteed fixed income for life, a current tax deduction AND the opportunity to create a legacy with a gift that makes a huge difference in the ministries you care about. Rates depend on age and the number of people receiving income, i.e. couples, parent and child, etc. If you're 75 and single, the current rate is 5.8%, with a significant portion income tax-free. Lutheran Planned Giving of South Dakota (lpgsd.org) is a free service offered to you by the South Dakota Synod of the ELCA and our partners. If you have questions about charitable gift annuities or how to make the most tax-efficient gifts, both now and as a part of a legacy plan, contact Kathy McHenry at 605.274.5030 or kmchenry@sdsynod.org.





CHURCH E-MAIL ADDRESSES.

If you would to e-mail someone in the church office, our e-mail addresses are:

Pam — pam_clf@gwtc.net

Mary — clf@gwtc.net

Sara — sara clf@gwtc.net



OFFICE HOURS.....

The church office is open Monday to Thursday from 8:30 AM—4:00 PM. The office hours for individuals are as follows:

Mary: in office Monday to Thursday

Sara: in office Tuesday afternoon & Wednesday

JULY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please have articles for the July Newsletter to the office by <u>June 15th</u>. Thank you!

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY...



If you have someone in your life who needs some extra comfort and prayers, please pick up a prayer shawl from the office.

Everyone is welcome to do so at any time—just let someone in the office know when you

do, as we keep a journal of all activity.

CLF WEBSITE OFFERS ONLINE GIVING OPTIONS...

On Custer Lutheran Fellowship's website, www.custerlutheran.com you will find the option to support Custer Lutheran Fellowship's mission and ministry through the "ONLINE GIVING" link. Whether you'd like to make a one-time donation or set-up regularly scheduled donations, you can do this easily through a secure server by following the instructions. At this time, CLF accepts bank account (ACH) transactions only. You can set up your own login/password and make changes with your giving at any time.



BULLETIN EACH WEEK

We have started to make available a bulletin each week, so you can follow along when you are at home participating in the service each Sunday.

The bulletin will be put on Facebook and emailed to the list of those who receive the newsletter by email.

If you would like to receive the bulletin by email each week, please let the church office know.

2020 BUDGET THRU APRIL 30

	April 2020	Budget
Income Offering Contributions Non-restricted Special Donate	120,551 tion 6,104	115,968 1,156
Interest	256	0
Total Income	126,912	117,123
Expenses		
Pastoral Leadership	26,314	32,516
Worship	3,837	4,439
Education	2,693	4,090
Mission Support	13,496	13,956
Support/Care	48,789	<u>56,384</u>
Total Expenses	98,130	111,384
Net Ordinary Income	28,782	5,739

How Does the Care Act Encourage Greater Charitable Giving?

-Joy Smolnisky, Treasurer

For taxpayers who take the standard deduction, the CARES Act creates a new "above the line" deduction of up to \$300 of annual monetary contributions to religious, charitable, and educational organizations. This change applies for tax years beginning after 2019 and does not sunset after 2020.

For individual taxpayers who itemize, the Act increases the deductible limit for charitable contributions, suspending the 50% of adjusted gross income limitation for cash contributions made in 2020. For corporations, the Act increases the 10% limitation to 25% of taxable income for cash contributions made in 2020. It also increases the limitation on deductions from 15% to 25% of net income for corporate food donations made during 2020.

https://www.porticobenefits.org//campaign/resources/caresactfags

WORSHIP & MUSIC NEWS...

I had a very different music report all prepared (BORING) for several days but yesterday afternoon Bill and I took a beautiful, relaxing drive . I had been feeling quiet (which I know is hard to believe) , and sad, so we took off on a healing drive.

We left early afternoon and drove toward Rochford. We could not believe how many people were out and about and enjoying the beautiful day. All the majestic, rough walls surrounded us. My thoughts were swirling around in my head- "isn't this beautiful," or Wow etc."

I thought of all of the people who have lost loved ones through the virus, accidents, and sickness and tears just came pouring down. Knowing the sadness for the world just was so visible to us. Problems sometimes mount on top of problems, building a bridge of despair. More songs entered my mind; songs that guided me away from the enemy and reached for the safe shore of Jesus. We are not untouched by these difficulties. We see and feel the grief, pain and worry. We need to hear God's songs, feel His arms around us, to remind us how the story ends.

We switched scenery as we came into the Lead area. We drove by several cemeteries and saw the people placing beautiful flowers on the many graves. The back drop now was the blue skies and huge, puffy white clouds and the dark green grass. The flowers were all colors and just a reminder of the beauty that God gave us through the individuals that left this earth. More songs were going through my head.

So I know that we need to come boldly before the throne of God as His children. Please send me some songs that would mean a lot to you to be sung during this time. Call 673-2468 or 673-1470 or email me at samanne@goldenwest.net.

We thank Pastor Pam, all the people participating, such as the accompanists, the special music people, song leaders, sound booth helpers, office staff, and Augie Heyne who make these services work.

The music committee will be finding a date to meet and talk about the summer services.

Please continue to worship with us and music is only one of the ways we lovingly encounter with our Father, our King Jesus and the Holy Spirit, We reach out during this time of uncertainty—worshipping offers healing, wholeness, comfort and awareness of the surrounding love.

Thanks for all who are care-givers and to all who remain in our hearts. God be with you always Margaret and Bill



YOGA TO RESUME...

There will be a yoga session on Thursday, June 4 at the church in the narthex. We will meet at 10:20. We will need the 10 minutes up front to get information on a sign in sheet. After the session, we will discuss if and when we will have other yoga sessions.

Please enter through the front doors. We will only use the narthex and the restroom during our yoga time. Chairs and props will be sanitized and in place when folks enter to insure safe distance between each set of items. Please wear a mask. Also, have your mat and water bottle with you.

Hand sanitizer will be available for use before, during and after the session. Of course, you are welcome to bring your own. Disinfectant will be available to clean the area when we finish.

Please call Jackie Hartwick at 673-2428 if you plan to attend, so that I know how many "stations" to have ready. Also, feel free to call with any questions or to let me know you will not be able to attend yoga on the 4^{th} , but would be interested in future sessions.

Thank you!



Parish Nurse News

Face mask protection- I recently read an excellent article from Mayo about this topic & I'd like to share what they had to say.

Can masks help prevent the spread of COVID-19? Yes they can, along with other precautions, such as hand washing and social distancing. Early on they were not recommended until its benefit was noted. It has shown they can help prevent wide spread disease. The recommendation is for the handmade cloth ones. Even though it can be shown to protect others, there also may be benefit for oneself.

How do you wear one?

- Place your mask over your mouth & nose.
- Tie it behind your head or use elastic ear loops and make sure they are smug.
- ♦ Don't touch you mask while wearing it.
- If you do touch your mask, wash or sanitize your hands.
- ♦ Remove your mask by untying it or lifting off the ear loops.
- ♦ Wash or sanitize your hands after removing your mask.
- Regularly wash your mask with soap & water. It is fine to launder with other clothing.
- ♦ Don't put masks on anyone with difficulty breathing or otherwise unable to remove mask on their own.
- ♦ Don't put a mask on children under 2 years old. Don't rely on masks as a substitute for social distancing.

Stay safe, stay strong and we will soon be back to some sense of normal.

Mary Klein RN, Parish Nurse



MENTAL HEALTH NEWS

Isolation and Depression

Someone with depression needs interaction with others. When they are isolated it is almost certain that their depression will worsen. As I've said before, when a person suffers with depression it is very difficult for them to reach out to others. They feel they have no value. Friends, families & others that care, need to reach out to them on a regular basis. By reaching out, you give them worth. During this period of "social distancing" it has made it even more difficult.

If you are struggling with depression, hopefully you are seeing a provider to help treat your depression. When you are able to focus, you need to make a plan for what steps you need to take if you are struggling. You need to make a list of actions you need to take to improve your mood.

Who can you call- friend, family, your provider or if necessary the help line. (1-800-NAMI(6264). Place these contacts where readily available.

What activities do you know that will distract you and that you enjoy to improve your mood? List them.

Are you taking care of all your needs- physical, mental and spiritual needs?

If you or anyone you know is struggling with Mental Illness and you want more information, please give me a call. (67-4424)

Healthy mind, healthy soul

Mary Klein RN, Parish Nurse



RAP GROUP JUNE NEWS...

Obviously, we have been unable to meet as a group since before March 13th. The last meeting we had was The story behind this picture:

I read an email to the RAP group at our meeting on April 22nd that I wrote thanking the volunteers who cut all of the logs so we could split them. Most of them have no connection whatsoever to RAP Group.

We are not able to get any splitting done because of social distancing, but they have been plugging away to get this done for us.

If you notice, we are all making the heart symbol with our hands and are standing, at an appropriate

distance, in the shape of a heart.

This is in recognition and appreciation for all the work that has been done for us.

Blessings—Tim Wicks





QUILTING...

Quilting will get started again at CLF. We will plan on 2 days a month as we did last year. In June we will meet on the 9th and the 16th following all guidelines set down by our leaders.

The meeting times will be from 9 AM to 2 PM allowing those that want to attend some leeway as to when. There will be no coffee time. Please bring your own beverage. Masks will be required and each



attendee will have to sign in. If you plan to be there over the lunch hour bring your own sack lunch. I will have extra masks if needed.

If you feel uncomfortable about attending just yet, there will be lots of opportunities later.

Ginny Myers

COUNCIL MINUTES - APRIL 28-MAY 1, 2020 VIA EMAIL

Members Present: Pastor Pam Power, Christie Behlings, Laura Burden, Liz Kleffner, Dave Pickford, Scot Hoscheld, Jackie Hartwick, Samual Ainsley, Carol Neiman and Treasurer, Joy Smolnisky.

On Wednesday, April 28, 2020, a motion was made to accept Pastor Pam's request to adopt a second pit bull dog as a pet. This was seconded and discussion included liability issues. The call for a vote was made with 5 in favor of adoption and 3 opposed. Motion passed.

On Wednesday, April 28, 2020, a motion was made by Liz Kleffner to renew the liability insurance with Guide One with noted changes in policies to increase overall coverage. (See attached print-out.) This motion was seconded and 8 council members voted to support this motion. Motion passed.



COUNCIL MINUTES - MAY 19, 2020 MEETING

Treasurer's & Finance Committee's Reports—Joy reviewed the current statement of financial position and the offering/attendance trends. Currently, the giving levels are approximately 20% below budget. (10% below in March, 20% in April, 27% for first half of May) The Finance Committee is open to re-constructing the budget if needed in the near future. A policy, "CLF Temporary Payroll Adjustments due to Cover 19 Shutdown," was proposed to provide the current requirements of the Payroll Protection Plan Loan. Joy is keeping abreast the latest requirements. Dave moved, it was seconded, and the council approved the proposed policy.

Unfinished Business:

- ➤ Thrivent Choice ——\$0 received in Mayl; YTD—\$1,838 received.
- Coronavirus Plan Update—Discussed a strategic plan for when and how to begin church activities—A comprehensive guided discussion was held to consider many different aspects of re-starting gatherings in the church community. It was determined that it would be doable to start allowing small groups (10 or less) to follow guidelines while reengaging in activities such as Yoga, Bible Studies, quilting, etc. This would begin in June. Given the risks of congregational gatherings, worship will continue to be via Facebook Live and YouTube, at least until the next council meeting. Other options may then be added to return to inperson worship.

New Business:

- **Membership Changes**—Leigh Reeves died and a brief ceremony was held at the Reeves home with family members.
- Office Manager Duties—Related to Mary Stutz, the office manager, being on Physician Ordered Short Term Disability, there are a number of office duties that are being handled differently. Sara is working more hours to help with office duties. Lori Goth may serve as a temporary employee working with financial matters. Donna McConnell will do the newsletter. Prayers are in order and the future is not known.

Reflections on Mission and Ministry—Pastor Pam has been connecting with regional, state, and national church leaders via Zoom. She is also leading a Zoom Bible study about the book Esther. The health concerns of Mary and other members of the congregation have been taking time and energy.

Committee & Ministry Team Reports:

Property—Dave Pickford reported that some deep cleaning of sheds has occurred as well as redo of the drywall in the fellowship hall. There is wood available for a wood haul. Elmer and Gene will be contacted by Pastor Pam regarding the exit door/ramp.

The next council meeting is June 16, 2020, at 7:00 PM.



DAILY DEVOTIONS



ELW DEVOTIONS FROM THE DAILY LECTIONARY

Day of Pentecost

Monday, June 1: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Joel 2:18-29; Romans 8:18-24

Tuesday, June 2: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Ezekiel 39:7-8, 21-29; Romans 8:26-27

Wednesday, June 3: Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Numbers 11:24-30; John 7:37-39

The Holy Trinity

Thursday, June 4: Psalm 8; Job 38:1-11; 2 Timothy 1:8-12a Friday, June 5: Psalm 8; Job 38:12-21; 2 Timothy 1:12b-14 Saturday, June 6: Psalm 8; Job 38:22-28; John 14:15-17

Sunday, June 7: Psalm 8; Genesis 1:1—2:4a; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; Matthew 28:16-20

Monday, June 8: Psalm 29; Job 38:39—39:12; 1 Corinthians 12:1-3 Tuesday, June 9: Psalm 29; Job 39:13-25; 1 Corinthians 12:4-13 Wednesday, June 10: Psalm 29; Job 39:26—40:5; John 14:25-26

2 Pentecost

Thursday, June 11: Psalm 131; Proverbs 12:22-28; Philippians 2:19-24

Friday, June 12: Psalm 131; Isaiah 26:1-6; Philippians 2:25-30 Saturday, June 13: Psalm 131; Isaiah 31:1-9; Luke 11:14-23

Sunday, June 14: Psalm 100; Exodus 19:2-8a; Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35—10:23

Monday, June 15: Psalm 104; Deuteronomy 32:1-14

Tuesday, June 16: Psalm 104; 1 Kings 17:1-16; 1 Corinthians 4:6-21

Wednesday, June 17:Psalm 104; Isaiah 66:7-13; Luke 12:22-31

3 Pentecost

Thursday, June 18: Psalm 31:1-5, 19-24; Exodus 24:1-8; Romans 2:17-29 Friday, June 19: Psalm 31:1-5, 19-24; Deuteronomy 30:1-5; Romans 9:6-13

Saturday, June 20: Psalm 31:1-5, 19-24; Amos 2:6-11; Matthew 7:1-6

Sunday, June 21: Psalm 69:7-18; Jeremiah 20:7-13; Romans 6:1b-11; Matthew 10:24-39

Monday, June 22: Psalm 52; Joshua 8:30-35; Romans 2:1-11

Tuesday, June 23: Psalm 52; Joshua 24:1-2, 11-28; Romans 3:9-22a

Wednesday, June 24: Psalm 52; Job 28:12-28; Matthew 7:13-20

4 Pentecost

Thursday, June 25: Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18; Jeremiah 25:1-7; Galatians 5:2-6

Friday, June 26: Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18; Jeremiah 25:8-14; Galatians 5:7-12

Saturday, June 27: Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18; Jeremiah 28:1-4; Luke 17:1-4

Sunday, June 28: Psalm 89:1-4, 15-18; Jeremiah 28:5-9; romans 6:12-23; Matthew 10:40-42

Monday, June 29: Psalm 119:161-168

Tuesday, June 30: Pealm 119:161-168; 1 Kings 21:17-29; 1 John 4:1-6

Wednesday, July 1:Psalm 119:161-168; Jeremiah 18:1-11; Matthew 11:20-24







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Custer Lutheran Fellowship

Our Mission ... is to plant the word of God, nurture growth in children and adults, and scatter the seeds of joy and faith in a diverse community.

We envision Custer Lutheran Fellowship to be like the Black Hills themselves, an inviting community in which God's Spirit blows through people – like wind through the pine – life that is forever new! God's spirit inspires us to he:

A worshiping community, hearing the life-giving Word of God receiving Christ's very presence in the Sacraments, and raising our voices in joyful songs of praise and prayer;

A **growing** community, with building and grounds spacious enough for all;

An **intergenerational** community, nurturing children and youth, young adults, people in mid-life, and older people as one family of God;

A **learning** community, in which people of all ages take advantage of multiple opportunities to deepen their understanding of the grace and justice of God;

A **giving** community, generously offering our time, talent and treasure to support each other and share in Christ's ministry;

A **serving** community, reaching beyond ourselves to stand with the poor, the sick, the hungry and the oppressed;

A witnessing community, eager to share with everyone the joy we have received from Christ.

We believe in the Cross and our risen Lord and that through Christ we have eternal life

Our Bedrock Beliefs are...

We grow in faith through worship and sacraments

The Word of God is our hope, Support comes from within our family of believers who see and serve Jesus in others

Through prayer we evoke God's love and power as the Spirit intercedes for us "with sighs too deep for words to express"

In crisis God is our strength. He is all loving and accepting and He helps us through these times.

We have faith only through God's grace.

Our Core Values are:

Faith, Family, Mission, Service, Worship



Ministering at Custer Lutheran Fellowship

Pastor: Pamela Power
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Office Assistant: Sara Janson
Parish Nurse: Mary Klein
Custodian: Augie Heyne
Music: Margaret Tretheway
Choir Director: Marlene Sellevold
Financial Secretary: Ann Snow
Treasurer: Joy Smolnisky
SPARK Kids: Wendi Rusch

Ministers: All Members of CLF!