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ASH WEDNESDAY IS MARCH 6TH



Join us on March 6th at 6:00 PM for our Ash Wednesday service. We begin the season of Lent by receiving ashes as a reminder that "we are dust and to dust we shall return." This year we will journey through Lent using road signs, beginning with the U-Turn. We are reminded on this day to make a U-Turn, turning away from our sins and turning back to God through our savior Jesus. Join us as we begin this journey together.

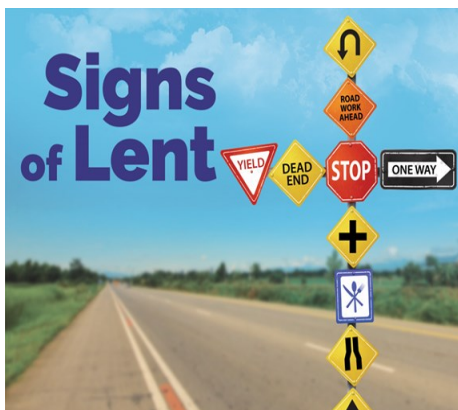
LENTEN SEASON OFFERINGS - HELP US BUILD THE MOUNTAIN!

Your Social Ministry Team has planned an exciting way for us to participate in a Lenten Season Offering. Various and sundry items needed by non-profits, who are conducting God's Work in our community, will be collected during five weeks of Lent beginning March 10th. Each Sunday and Wednesday service, in addition to our usual offering, you will be asked to bring up to the altar your offering for that particular non-profit. There will also be an opportunity for you to bring to the altar a special monetary offering for the non-profit. Below is the schedule we will be following.

- (Week of) March 10: W.E.A.V.E. Women Escaping a Violent Environment - a very special organization in our community that has been helping women and children in need for over 20 years. Suggested offerings are **toilet paper, paper towels, canned food and personal hygiene items.**
- March 17: The Storehouse. Their mission is to serve people in Custer County by receiving and distributing with respect and compassion donated food and household items. Suggested offerings are **peanut butter, canned fruit, canned soup.**
- March 24: Pine Ridge Diaper Drive. Diapers are as essential to a child's basic needs as food and shelter - yet state and federal programs do not offer special funding for those in need. The Pine Ridge Retreat Center is collecting and distributing **disposable diapers, sizes 5 and 6.**
- March 31: Battle Mountain Humane Society. BMHS is a no-kill nonprofit animal shelter serving Custer County and beyond. They operate on donations. Suggested offerings are **Purina Dog Chow, Purina Cat Chow (outdoor cat type), used towels and blankets (without stuffing), money to be applied to their monthly vet bill which averages \$3,500/month.**
- April 7: Operation Black Hills Cabin. Their mission is to provide a comfortable, peaceful and supportive respite to qualified, combat-injured veterans and their families. Each veteran gets a gift bag of small, inexpensive items for each family member. Needed items include **gifts for girls, especially toddler to 5-year-olds and 10-to-16-year-olds, and for the veteran and their spouse, gifts to remind them of their Black Hills visit or patriotic gifts.**

It will be fun watching the mountain of gifts at the altar grow over these five weeks.

LENT SERMON SERIES FOR WEDNESDAYS



Join us at 6:00 PM on Wednesdays during Lent for a worship series, "Signs of Lent," based on the concept of road signs and how their messages apply to our life in Christ during the season of Lent. Like signs we see along the roads that tell us what to do, we see signs along the way on our Lenten journey that show us the way to Christ.

3-H CLUB (HUMOR, HEALTH, HANGOUT)



Come for a time of fellowship and laughs. We will meet Sunday afternoon, March 17th, from 1:30 to 2:30 PM.

"Laughter is much more important than applause. Applause is almost a duty. Laughter is a reward." -Carol Channing

FELLOWSHIP AND WORSHIP AT CUSTER NURSING HOME...

Join us **Sunday, March 31st** at Custer Regional Senior Care to visit our CLF members, and join with them in worship led by Pastor Pam. We will be gathering at **2:30 PM** in the Activities Room for fellowship, then come together with the nursing home community for worship at **3:30 PM**.

AUCTIONS OF TALENTS— APRIL 7TH—9:30 AM

Money collected from the W/ELCA Auction of Talents is used to support local W/ELCA missions as well as national and international concerns that might need special funds during the year. Donated talents do not need to be tangible items. Be creative and add to the fun with an item or service to offer, or just come to watch our talented auctioneers! (See more information in the W/ELCA article on page 5.)

HELP NEEDED FOR SOUP SUPPERS....

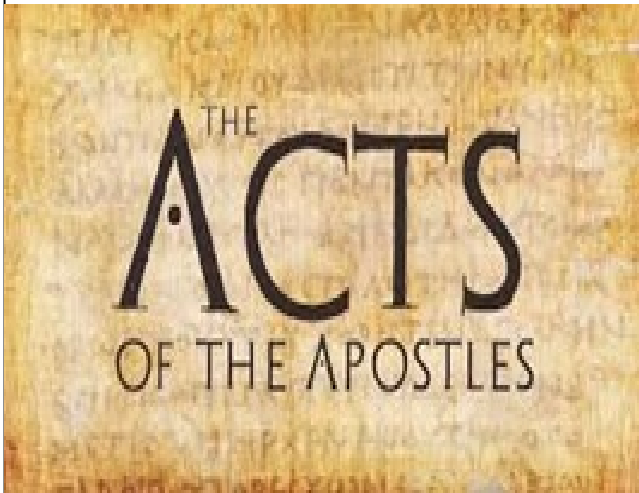
SOUP SUPPERS begin on **Ash Wednesday, March 6th**. We gather from 5:15 — 6:00 PM each Wednesday for a simple, but hearty meal of soup and bread. Lenten soup suppers are from March 6th through April 10th. Please consider signing up to bring a batch of soup or bread one of these weeks! Sign-up sheets are located at the Welcome Center.



CARE & SHARE...

We are creating a list of people to help with worship duties on Sunday mornings. Areas to serve include Greeter/Usher, Reader, Communion Server, and Coffee Hosts. If you are willing to help, please sign up at the Welcome Center. We need your name, phone number, which service you prefer and the areas in which you will help. You will get called when help is needed for a particular week. Thanks in advance for your help . . . we appreciate it!

ACTS BIBLE STUDY— WEDNESDAYS DURING LENT



Join Pastor Pam to explore the Book of Acts during Lent. We will be looking at Paul's conversion story and finding connections to our lives. We will also look at several other stories and explore what the people of faith were doing, what God was doing, and what we can all learn from these stories. The focus of much of the Book of Acts is the work of the Holy Spirit in the early church. Our discussions will revolve around where we see the Holy Spirit working now in our lives, our community, and the world. We will meet on three Wednesday's – March 13th, 20th, and 27th from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm in the Fireside Room. No prior knowledge of Acts is needed! Come, lend your voice to this fun study!

— Pastor Pam

PLEASE NOTIFY PASTOR PAM WHEN:

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

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)

THANK YOU

Thank you so much for all the food, cards, flowers and prayers we received during our double illness when Terry and I were both sick at the same time. Due to a contagious virus, we were both in isolation for two weeks. We now realize how fortunate we are to be part of such a caring church family. We really appreciated all your loving care. Terry & Arle Reetz



**Daylight Saving Time begins on March 10th —
Remember to move your clocks ahead before you
go to bed Saturday night!**



THURSDAY CHRISTIAN BOOK STUDY GROUP...

The Christian Book Study group meets weekly on Thursday mornings. The group gathers in the Fireside Room from 9:30 to 11:30 AM. Coffee and treats are provided by group members. We read aloud from the book we have selected, so you do not have to read or prepare ahead of time! The reading is interrupted regularly with questions, laughter, challenging thoughts and reflections, faith and life stories. It is a fun, free-flowing discussion. We are starting Radical Integrity: the Story of Dietrich Bonhoeffer, by Michael Van Dyke. Hope to see you there!

THURSDAY LADIES BIBLE STUDY...

A new women's Bible Study meets each Thursday evening at 5:30 PM. We are currently doing a 10-lesson study called **Meeting the Spirit** (Life Guides Bible Studies). If you are interested in joining, contact Joy (smolniskyjoy@gmail.com) or Ginny (danbyprk@gwt.net) so we can order a study guide for you and put you on the email reminder list.

SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S BREAKFAST/BOOK STUDY...

meets the **second Saturday of each month from 8:00 to 10:00 AM** in the Fireside Room at CLF. Our next session will be on **March 9th**. Breakfast is served, then we will watch and discuss a NOOMA DVD. Come to one, or come to all...no book required! If you have any questions, contact Allen Canete at 673-3753.

LET'S GET NOISY!

The **"Noisy Offering"** continues on the second Sunday of each month. This month it will be on March 10th. The noisy offerings from September thru May will go to Lutheran Disaster Relief. Our offerings from January and February totaled **\$191**. Your spare change **does** make a difference. Thanks so much!



Custer Meet & Eat ...March 12

This gathering is a time to meet your neighbors from Custer and enjoy a meal together. The free supper is offered the second Tuesday of every month at the Custer Community Church, 529 Harney St. Join your neighbors on March 12th from 5:00—7:00 PM.

Thursday Men's Breakfast 7:00 AM — "Our Place"

Come join us for breakfast. There's always good conversation and good food! Open to all! Bring a friend!

COMMUNITY CELEBRATION ELDER'S WISDOM, CHILDREN'S SONG

Custer Elementary 4th and 5th grade students present a celebration honoring four members of our community. The elders that will be honored through song are:

Phyllis Gies, Joanne Witt, Glenn Sellevold, Owen Murphy

Tuesday, March 19th at 6:30 PM

High School Theater

Free Admission—Reception following program



Elders' Wisdom Children's Song incorporates the tools of community organization, education and celebration to help us honor the richness of our community through story-telling in song and spoken word. Children listen to the stories of Custer community elders and develop songs and narrations from the words of the elders with the help of their teachers and songwriters from our region.

LSS DINNER.— HOPE GROWS IN THE BLACK HILLS

Save the Date—Sunday, May 5, 2019

LSS will be hosting an annual fund-raising dinner at the Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn on May 5th. Your help is needed to care for, support and strengthen lives in the Black Hills. Join together with others. Try hosting a table! Email Jessica.Lillebo@LssSD.org or call 605-791-6769.

W/ELCA HAPPENINGS:



W/ELCA at CLF is an active group of women who get together once a month for a meal, fellowship and programs of interest in the church and community. We invite all women to join us!

NEXT MEETING: Monday, **March 25, 2019**

PROGRAM: March 25th will be a special meeting. We plan to meet at Custer Regional Senior Care at 11:20 AM in their conference room. We will each bring our own brown bag lunch as we dine with our friends at senior care who are women of the ELCA. Following lunch, we will have a brief business meeting.

Our program will be a discussion of prayer and how it impacts our lives. Of course, there will also be time for visiting! As always, all women are invited to attend this special meeting.

Matt Rusch, director at Outlaw Ranch, was the speaker at our February meeting. We were given a first-hand account of programs that impacted 2018. One of the top items was the 60th anniversary celebration that was held at Outlaw in July. Also, servant camps are still a popular program at camp. Last year, groups came to work at Pine Ridge at Red Shirt Table. The groups lived at Our Savior's Lutheran in Hermosa. In 2019, the Servant Camp in the Black Hills will be brought back into action. During the week of this camp, participants will stay at Outlaw and go to different work sites in the Hills each day.

We are so fortunate to have the facility and staff at Outlaw Ranch to provide a variety of events literally right here in our own backyard!

We have scheduled the W/ELCA Auction of Talents for Sunday, April 7. The auction will begin at approximately 9:30 AM. Money collected from the auction is used to support local W/ELCA missions as well as national and international concerns that might need special funds during the year. Just a reminder that a donated talent does not need to be a tangible item. People have shared talents in cutting and delivering wood, babysitting, and providing a meal or a dessert. Excavation has also been offered a few times over the years.

Be creative and add to the fun with an item or service to offer, or just come to watch our talented auctioneers! Forms to register your auction item(s) are at the Welcome Center. Please fill out the form and give it to Mary in the office, to Barb Lewison or Jackie Hartwick, or you can bring it with you the morning of the auction. Thank you in advance for your support of this project!

A reminder that **Quilting** takes place every Tuesday morning at 9:00. Our quilters provide a valuable outreach and are greatly appreciated. Anyone is welcome to attend quilting—there are jobs for every level of talent—even those who do not know how to quilt.

Bingo at Custer Senior Care—The first Friday of each month, four to five people gather to call and help residents enjoy an hour of Bingo from 2:00—3:00 PM. We welcome new people to join us for a fun afternoon! Any questions, please call Arbutus Winter, 673-5283.

**January to March Mission Project:
Quilts for Lutheran World Relief & Local Needs**

- ✂ Thread
 - ✂ Cotton fabric suitable for making quilts
 - ✂ Cotton blankets, and/or mattress pads for inside quilts
- Your donations may be left in the sewing room.



QUILT SUNDAY—MARCH 31...

Join us for Quilt Sunday on March 31st, recognized at both services. See beautiful quilts displayed on the pews in the sanctuary. Hear about the many quilts produced at ELCA congregations across the country and the comfort they bring to many in the U.S. and throughout the world.



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—3:00 PM. The office hours for individuals are as follows:

Mary: in office Monday to Thursday
 Sara: in office Tuesday Afternoon & Wednesday

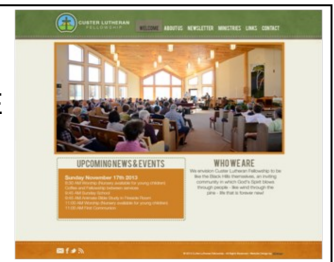
PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY...

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 anytime—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.



APRIL NEWSLETTER DEADLINE...

Please give all articles for the April Newsletter to Mary in the church office by March 21st. Send them by email to clf@gwtc.net. Thank you!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED...

We are in need of volunteers to help with the Nursery and Sound System on Sunday mornings. Both positions involve one Sunday a month at either the early or late service. In addition to managing the sound board, the sound system includes running the PowerPoint and recording the sermon. Don't worry . . . we will train you!! If you are interested in helping with these two areas or have questions, please contact the church office.

THANK YOU FOR FUNERAL HELP

We have had several funerals in February. Thank you to those who have run the sound system and to all that have provided food and helped to serve and clean up after the lunch meals. We appreciate all who participate in this ministry.

2018 Thrivent Choice Dollars ...

If you haven't already done so, be sure to direct your designated 2018 Thrivent Choice Dollars by March 31, 2019. After that date, any undirected Choice Dollars will expire. Don't miss this opportunity to help support Custer Lutheran Fellowship. Go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice or call 800-THRIVENT and state "Thrivent Choice."

Rent-A-RAP Work Force ...

An eager work force consists of teens from our youth group. We are available to help with work such as babysitting, light yard or house work, moving furniture, errands, dog walking, or pet sitting. We are willing to help you for a donation in the amount of your choice to go towards our trips and activities. We appreciate your support and hope we can help you out!

If you would like to talk to us about doing one of these jobs or something similar, contact Tim or Tammy Wicks at 673-1223 or 673-5180.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTLIFE...

This program is a mid-week faith recharge for your family. Our weekly schedule:

SPARK Kids from 4:00 to 5:15 PM
Family Meal from 5:15 to 6:00 PM
Worship from 6:00 to 6:30 PM
Confirmation from 6:30 to 7:30 PM
Acts Bible Study from 6:30 to 7:30 PM
Choir Practice at 6:30 PM
RAP Group from 7:00 to 8:00 PM

The March meal schedule includes Soup Suppers each Wednesday, March 6th to April 10th.

All are encouraged to help make this meal a special time of fellowship as we gather together. Please sign up at the Welcome Center to provide a pot of soup or bread and to help with Set-up and Clean-Up.

Wednesday Worship for the month of March:

March 6th — Ash Wednesday (see article on p. 1)
March 13th — Evening Prayer
March 20th — Evening Prayer
March 27th — Evening Prayer

Hope to see you all on Wednesdays!

RAP GROUP NEWS...

RAP Group meets Wednesday evenings at 7:00 PM. We are making plans for this spring on our way to summer, with a couple of fun activities between our wood splitting dates. A trip to Watiki is planned for March 16. A pancake breakfast fundraiser will be held on Easter Sunday. We are not planning a big trip this year, but will do local service projects, trips, and perhaps an overnight activity.

We are interested again in beginning our Rent-a-RAP program. If you are interested in having some chores done for a reasonable price, we will be glad to help. (See article on page 6.)

Our biggest fund raiser is providing wood for campfires. We have a lot of splitting to do and are asking for some help. If you are interested in lending us a wood splitter, with or without an operator, let us know. The more wood splitters we have, the better.

Please contact Tim or Tammy Wicks at 673-1223 or 673-5180.



SPARK KIDS...

In our Fifth Year of SPARK Kids, we have 41 children registered! Wow! Every Wednesday afternoon, children in Kindergarten through Grade 5 are picked up at school and transported to church. Our time together goes fast! We have a wide variety of learning activities including snacks, Bible stories, games, arts and crafts, and more. This spring, we will explore Bible stories using a new curriculum based on The SPARK Kids multi-age classroom. The program concludes each Wednesday at 5:15 PM. The children and their families are invited to join us for a meal followed by worship. We are done by 6:30 PM.

There is NO cost for this program. Be sure to invite your friends and neighbors. All are welcome. All children need to be registered by their parents in order to participate. Registration materials are available through the church office. It is never too late to register! The themes and Bible stories for March are as follows:

- ✦ March 6 — “A Storm” -Matthew 8:23-27
- ✦ March 13 — “The Centurion’s Servant” - Matthew 8:5-13
- ✦ March 20 — “Jesus Blesses the Children” - Mark 10:13-16
- ✦ March 27 — “Jesus Heals Two Blind Men” -
Matthew 20:29-34

With this many children registered, we could use more adult assistants and drivers. If you would like to help or need more information, please contact the church office.

CONFIRMATION DURING LENT

Our journey through Lent in Confirmation will be a bit different this year. Mentors will be meeting with their youth three times during Lent, but there is no prescribed date for each meeting. Hopefully this flexibility will make it more convenient for everyone to meet. Youth are still expected to attend worship each week and complete Worship Notes if they still need to do so. The Discussion Sheets will be available on the tall tables along with a sign-in sheet so you can keep track of which sheets you have done, and which you still need to complete. If you have questions, please let Pastor Pam know.

PARISH NURSE NEWS...

I hope everyone is staying healthy especially since the flu season is still upon us. March is here and I have finally learned that it doesn't mean Spring is here yet. The Health Ministry Team & I are putting together information to get rid of **Cabin Fever and Spring into action!** We will have a lot of great information on ways we can get moving, even as the snow & cold lingers. Watch for our information table to be changing! I have also started attending the free Diabetes Workshop put on at our Custer Hospital. It is a great way to learn more how to manage your Diabetes, whether it's new to you, or you have been dealing with it for some time. Even family members are attending, which is a great way to help your loved ones stay healthy. I am attending as a refresher so I can be more helpful to others. If you want more information, let me know! After attending the Leadership Retreat, I am eager to do as much as I can to be there for our congregation and community. If anyone would like a visit for any reason, or you are aware of someone else who needs a visit, please let me know. This has become a big part of my ministry for our church. I also want to invite anyone interested in joining our Health Ministry Team. You do not need a medical background to help us be more effective in our ministry.

Healthy body, healthy spirit,
Mary Klein RN, Parish Nurse
Health Ministry Team

80TH BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR DARLENE KAINZ

Saturday, March 16, at 2:00 PM
Fountain Springs in the Fireside Room
2000 Wesleyan Blvd., Rapid City



← JOIN US IN

Celebrating

Darlene Bernice
(Schulte) Kainz

is turning

80

Please join us for a party
in the Fireside Room
at Fountain Springs

on Saturday
March 16th
(actual birthdate
March 13)

located at
2000 Wesleyan Blvd
Rapid City, SD 57002

beginning at
2:00 pm

Cards may be sent to this address
room #340

Darlene's 80th B

MENTAL HEALTH NEWS...

With new legislation being worked on in Pierre and Washington, it is apparent the lack of interest in dealing with our Mental Health Crisis. In dealing with homelessness, crime, drug and alcohol abuse, and planning for a better future for all Americans, one very important key to success in dealing with these issues is increasing awareness and treatments for Mental Illness. I do see some progress in Rapid City, with providing support and treatment. I also realize that Custer is not in a position to do anything on that scale, but we can begin with listening to people, letting them open up to their pain and loneliness, and offer support. Ignoring these issues, does not make them go away. These people are our family, friends and community.

Healthy mind, healthy soul . . .
Mary Klein RN, Parish Nurse

LENTEN OFFERINGS—A SHOPPING LIST TO KEEP

Week of March 3rd—W.E.A.V.E. (Women Escaping a Violent Environment)

Toilet paper
Paper towels
Canned food
Personal Hygiene items



Week of March 10th—The Storehouse

Peanut butter
Canned fruit
Canned soup



Week of March 17th—Pine Ridge Diaper Drive

Disposable diapers, size 5 and 6

Week of March 24th—Battle Mountain Humane Society

Purina Dog Chow
Purina Cat Chow for outdoor cats
Used towels and blankets (without stuffing)
Money for monthly vet bills at BMHS



Week of March 31st—Operation Black Hills Cabin

Gifts for girls, toddler to 5-yr-olds and 10-16 yr-olds
For veteran and spouse, gifts from Black Hills & patriotic gifts



SUMMER CAMP—LUTHERANS OUTDOORS

Come—enjoy a week of fun, faith-growth, and making new friends at camp this summer. Week-long programs for 3rd through high school: try Youth camp for 3rd—6th, Black Hills Adventures, Servant Camp in the Black Hills, Native American Experience at Red Shirt, Peer Ministry for high school, or Family Camp. Register at www.losd.org. For more information, talk to Pastor Pam or Mary.

OUTLAW RANCH RETREATS IN MARCH

SPRING SCRAPBOOKING AND UNFINISHED OBJECTS RETREAT

March 15-17, 2019

Friday 10:00 AM to Sunday 2:00 PM

A weekend for scrapbooking, working on unfinished projects, and spending time with friends. This retreat offers you the time, space, and fellowship to work on your passions. You can stay at Outlaw for the weekend or commute.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

April 5-7, 2019

Friday 7:00 PM to Sunday 11:00 AM

Come to Outlaw for a weekend to relax, enjoy the outdoors, and explore ideas and conversation together. Pastor Heidi Binstock, from Westside Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls, will be the Resource Leader. Give yourself the gift of time and renewal in this holy place.

Call Outlaw Ranch at 673-4040 for more information. Register at <https://www.losd.org/events-and-retreats>

COUNCIL MINUTES – FEBRUARY 19, 2019

Treasurer's and Finance Committee Report—Joy reviewed the current statement of financial position and the offering/attendance trends. Gene moved, it was seconded, and approved that the council recommend to the Constitution Revision Committee that the council would have authority to approve expenditures up to 5% of current year's budget. (M/S/A) Gene moved, it was seconded, and approved that the council hereby delegates authority to the Treasurer and Office Manager to establish and execute recurring budgeted electronic payment to the below approved vendors following the described procedure. (Attached sheet with president signature on original.) (M/S/A)

Unfinished Business:

- ✦ **Thrivent Choice**—\$41.00 in February — \$194 for the year to date.
- ✦ **Background Checks**—Background checks have proceeded with nothing negative noted. Anyone working with children will continue to be checked as per policy.
- ✦ **Snow Removal Bids**—Discussion. Incomplete information—Brad will check with Rex.

New Business:

- ✦ **Membership Changes**—No changes noted.
- ✦ **"Legal Checklist for Congregations" Webinar** on 2/21 will be "attended" by Joy S.
- ✦ **Council Rotation sign-up list** for treats/ Care & Share calling was filled out by members. Devotions for this year's meetings will be devoted to exploring the book *Discovering Hope*.
- ✦ **Surge protector and Computer Backup:** A surge protector for computer will be donated by Gene Fennell. Gene moved, it was seconded, and approved that an external hard drive be obtained and a standard of at least weekly backups to the hard drive be maintained. (M/S/A)
- ✦ **Council meeting dates changed** to March 21 at 7:00 and April 23 at 7:00 due to conflicts. Dates will return to 3rd Tuesday at 7:00 PM in May.

Reflections on Mission and Ministry—Pastor Pam reported she will soon be leading Acts Bible Studies, beginning with the Leadership Retreat on Feb. 23. This is connected to the Transformational Ministry Project which assists members to become more aware of the workings of the Spirit in our daily lives.

Committee & Ministry Team Reports:

- ✦ **Endowment**—Liz K. will be liaison. Brad moved, it was seconded, and approved that the council support the recommendations the Endowment Committee has made regarding the Endowment. (M/S/A)
- ✦ **Evangelism**—Pastor Pam to be liaison. She reported the committee is working on a new brochure and considering the idea of clothing promotions.
- ✦ **Health Ministry**—Dave P. to be liaison.
- ✦ **Property**—Gene F. to be liaison. The panels ordered for sound reduction in the "Down Under" have been received. The first order received was 12 panels. A mis-shipment resulted in CLF receiving 36 instead of 24 in the second order. The company gifted the extra to CLF and they will be used.
- ✦ **Social Ministry**—Brad M. to be liaison. A pancake breakfast fundraiser is scheduled for Feb. 24 with proceeds to be split between the Pine Ridge Hail Damage project and the Cornerstone Mission. They have also determined that the Lent theme will again promote five local organizations.
- ✦ **Transformational Ministry Team**—Laura B. to be liaison. Next meeting is 2/21.
- ✦ **W/ELCA**—Rosemary C. to be liaison.
- ✦ **Worship & Music**—Pastor Pam to be liaison. The music/worship schedules have been completed to May.

To OUR CLF FAMILY...

You have overwhelmed our family with your love and support, your hugs and thoughtfulness during and after John's battle with cancer. *To the Caring Hands Ministry:* You touched our hearts and warmed our bodies with wonderful, delicious food. We are grateful to you for hugs and words of encouragement. *To Pastor Pam for her visits, prayers, communion and laughter:* You have touched our hearts and given us strength and comfort. Blessings to all! Family of John Mooney



ELW DEVOTIONS FROM THE DAILY LECTIONARY

Transfiguration of Our Lord

Thursday, February 28: Psalm 99; Deuteronomy 9:1-5; Acts 3:11-16
 Friday, March 1: Psalm 99; Deuteronomy 9:6-14; Acts 10:1-8
 Saturday, March 2: Psalm 99; Deuteronomy 9:15-24; Luke 10:21-24
 Sunday, March 3: Psalm 99; Exodus 34:29-35; 2 Corinthians 3:12—4:2; Luke 9:28-43a
 Monday, March 4: Psalm 35:11-28; Exodus 35:1-29; Acts 10:9-23a
 Tuesday, March 5: Psalm 35:11-28; Ezekiel 1:1—2:1; Acts 10:23b-33
 Wednesday, March 6: Psalm 51:1-17; Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; 2 Corinthians 5:20b—6:10; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21



1 Lent

Thursday, March 7: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Exodus 5:10-23; Acts 7:30-34
 Friday, March 8: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Exodus 6:1-13; Acts 7:35-42
 Saturday, March 9: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Ecclesiastes 3:1-8; John 12:27-36
 Sunday, March 10: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13
 Monday, March 11: Psalm 17; 1 Chronicles 2:1-17; 1 John 2:1-6
 Tuesday, March 12: Psalm 17; Zechariah 3:1-10; 2 Peter 2:4-21
 Wednesday, March 13: Psalm 17; Job 1:1-22; Luke 21:34—22:6

2 Lent

Thursday, March 14: Psalm 27; Genesis 13:1-7, 14-18; Philippians 3:2-12
 Friday, March 15: Psalm 27; Genesis 14:17-24; Philippians 3:17-20
 Saturday, March 16: Psalm 27; Psalm 118:26-29; Matthew 23:37-39
 Sunday, March 17: Psalm 27; Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Philippians 3:17—4:1; Luke 13:31-35
 Monday, March 18: Psalm 105:1-15 [16-41] 42; Exodus 33:1-6; Romans 4:1-12
 Tuesday, March 19: Psalm 105:1-15 [16-41] 42; Numbers 14:10b-24; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13
 Wednesday, March 20: Psalm 105:1-15 [16-41] 42; 2 Chronicles 20:1-22; Luke 13:22-31

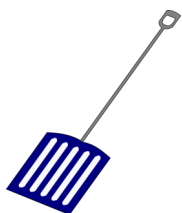
3 Lent

Thursday, March 21: Psalm 63:1-8; Daniel 3:19-30; Revelation 2:8-11
 Friday, March 22: Psalm 63:1-8; Daniel 12:1-4; Revelation 3:1-6
 Saturday, March 23: Psalm 63:1-8; Isaiah 5:1-7; Luke 6:43-45
 Sunday, March 24: Psalm 63:1-8; Isaiah 55:1-9; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 13:1-9
 Monday, March 25: Psalm 39; Jeremiah 11:1-17; Romans 2:1-11
 Tuesday, March 26: Psalm 39; Ezekiel 17:1-10; Romans 2:12-16
 Wednesday, March 27: Psalm 39; Numbers 13:17-27; Luke 13:18-21

4 Lent

Thursday, March 28: Psalm 32; Joshua 4:1-13; 2 Corinthians 4:16—5:5
 Friday, March 29: Psalm 32; Joshua 4:14-24; 2 Corinthians 5:6-15
 Saturday, March 30: Psalm 32; Exodus 32:7-14; Luke 15:1-10
 Sunday, March 31: Psalm 32; Joshua 5:9-12; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32
 Monday, April 1: Psalm 53; Leviticus 23:26-41; Revelation 19:1-8
 Tuesday, April 2: Psalm 53; Leviticus 25:1-19; Revelation 19:9-10
 Wednesday, April 3: Psalm 53; 2 Kings 4:1-7; Luke 9:10-17

CLEAN SIDEWALK CLUB



“Captain Snow” says...

Volunteers are needed for the CLF/CSC-that's the "Clean Sidewalk Club." There is a sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center in the Narthex for week days or week-ends through mid-May. There are two spaces for each grouping. Thanks!!





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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 be:

A **worshipping** 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 **servicing** 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*



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