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**R**enew Through  
Christ's Resurrection  
**A**ffirm the Gifts of the  
Holy Spirit  
**C**ommit to Compassion  
**E**vangelize All the Earth

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# Light of Life News

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## World Day of Prayer, March 4

On the first Saturday in March we are invited to observe World Day of Prayer with area churches and individuals. This is a time to gather and lift our voices as a community of believers. We will be led in prayer for local, national, and international concerns. As found in Matthew 18:20, "Where two or three gather together in my name, there am I with them."

Please plan to join the gathering at Chancellor Reformed Church on Saturday, March 4, with coffee/fellowship at 9:30 AM and the service at 10:00 AM. Elly Heckel from the Union Gospel Mission in Sioux Falls will speak and provide special music. The offering will be given to the Union Gospel Mission. All are welcome.

## "The Art of Marriage" Retreat

An "Art of Marriage" Retreat will be held at Inspiration Hills on March 24-25(26). The cost is \$25 per person before March 3 or \$50 per person by March 10. The retreat begins with an evening meal on Friday and ends Saturday evening, or you may stay another night for no extra charge.



For more than four decades, FamilyLife has been helping couples understand God's plan for relationships. In the Art of Marriage, they weaved together expert video-based teaching, real-life stories, humorous vignettes, and more to portray both the challenges and the beauty of God's design.

Register online at <https://www.inspirationhills.org/art-of-marriage/>

## Register for Summer Camps

Register now for summer camps at Inspiration Hills. There are day camps, discovery camps, overnight lodge and wilderness camps, fishing camps, guys only and girls only camps, saddle up horse camps, grand camps, and family camp. Students entering grades 10-12 may apply to be a counselor-in-training.

The camp theme this summer is Living Water from John 7:37-38.

Register for all camps online at [www.inspirationhills.org](http://www.inspirationhills.org) with discounted rates before April 15. A green camp registration fee assistance form is available by the brochures on the table below the mailboxes in the fellowship hall.

## March Committees

**Kitchen Cleaning:**  
Teresa Smidt  
Emma Smidt

**Flowers/Decorating:**  
Tonya & Bella Zimmer  
Leanne & Megan Lefers

**Nursery Cleaning:**  
Jordan Kruse  
Denise Snoozy

## March Anniversary

Gerry & Sue Schryvers—  
March 27

## March Birthdays

Lois Klinger—March 1  
Jerry Martineau—Mar 3  
Harlan Hayunga—Mar 3  
Harold Fischer—Mar 12  
Marilyn Ebright—Mar 12

Each month I try to print the anniversaries of those who have been married 40 years or more, and the birthdays of those age 70 and above.

Please let me know if I miss your special day or if I need to make any corrections to the list.

*Kristi Rops*

## Philathea Guild News *by Susan Bultena*

At our February Guild meeting we reviewed the holiday giving which included the baskets created for the Center of Hope fundraiser, the Angel Tree, gifts for the Human Services Center in Yankton, and the Christmas card ministry. We continue to financially support the Center of Hope and the Union Gospel Mission with annual donations of \$200 to each organization.

We are planning our spring events. On April 21 we will host the Union Gospel Mission Lamplighters and will be presenting gifts to our graduates at the May Youth Recognition.

Thanks go to each of you who donated purses and fillers to our February collection. Many women will benefit from your generosity and we look forward to delivering the purses and fillers to the Children's Home Shelter for Family Safety.

## Union Gospel Mission Lamplighters Report

*by Johanna Iken, Delegate*

The February 17, 2023 Union Gospel Mission Lamplighters meeting was held at Hilltop United Methodist Church in Sioux Falls. Darlene Frueh gave the welcome and prayer. We sang *The Old Rugged Cross*. Pastor Rodney Knock gave the meditation on Jeremiah 29:1-7. There is a difference between happiness and contentment. Being happy is a temporary experience. Being content is a long lasting feeling. People are restless and think the good life is somewhere else. The people of Babylon were unhappy and wanted to just go home again. Jeremiah was sent to tell them to build homes, plant gardens, get married, and have children. We need to quit fantasizing and start living, put down roots, enjoy life, stay and make the best of it. Contentment is not a perfect life. Life circumstances will never be perfect. We need to live the life God has given us.

We have \$3756 toward our \$5000 goal to build steps beneath the windows on the new family floor.

Elly Heckel spoke about the mission. The children at Salem St. Mary's School collected \$800 for the mission that will be used at Easter to buy new Bibles for the Women's Shelter. Plans are being made for Vacation Bible School. Pastor Laura is leading chapel services for the children. She also works with them on their science, math, and reading lessons. There is a need for totes to be placed under the beds in both the Men's and Women's Center so that the guests may store their belongings and begin to get more organized. They have a campaign to get 100 lockers in the Men's Center. The Thrift Store reopened February 16. They are now accepting donations again. If torn or unusable clothes are donated, please mark them as "Baler". Forty-two bales of clothing are shipped in a load. They are getting ready to ship the third load. UGM receives \$10,000 per load. March 17 is the 123<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of the UGM in Sioux Falls. Tours will be available from the main office that day from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. When the Women's Center is completed, it will have a commercial kitchen and Wellness Center. The Men's Center received a donation for their Wellness Center from the University of Sioux Falls of their used exercise equipment worth \$60,000 to \$80,000.

The next Lamplighters meeting will be Friday, March 17 at 2 p.m. at Asbury United Methodist Church at 2425 S Western Ave in Sioux Falls. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

## Youth at “Kids Against Hunger”

Youth group attended Kids Against Hunger in February and participated in packing over 6000 meals for those in need locally. It's a great experience for our students!

Registration is currently open for Rocky Mountain High, which will take place July 22-26.

Youth Meetings: March 1 & 8 at Second Reformed  
 March 15 & 22 at First English Lutheran  
 March 29—at Second Reformed

6th-8th Grades meet at 6:30 PM  
 Snacks for both groups at 7:30 PM  
 High School meets at 7:40 PM

~Marc Weeldreyer 605-877-5024  
 ~Nicole Winterboer 605-553-0788

## Living Stone/Freedom's Gate Banquet

A banquet for Living Stone Prison Church and Freedom's Gate Church will be held on Thursday, March 23, at Bethany Reformed Church in Canton. Pastor Dan Ebbens and Pastor Jason Wiersma will give ministry updates. Former inmates will share how God has used these ministries to encourage and strengthen their Christian journeys.

Call or text Ruth at 605-366-3624 by March 18 if you would like to attend.

## From the Feb Consistory Minutes

- Ash Wednesday service was discussed.
- Rev. Mark Volkers will do pulpit supply in September.
- Teachers and helpers are needed for Sunday School. There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall.
- The property committee is looking into purchasing a used carpet cleaner.

## Church Library

Thank you to those who have volunteered to serve in the church library. Lois Klinger, Megan Lefers, Leanne Lefers, Jill Christensen, and Jeanette Ulmer will be meeting and making plans for the library.

There are many excellent books and videos for all ages in the library. Please check them out. If you have suggestions for new books or other items, let one of the librarians know.

Greeting cards for birthdays, anniversaries, etc., are available for purchase in the library.

Thank you to Pat Koerner for her years of service as librarian.

## Adult Sunday School

An adult Sunday School class is meeting in the sanctuary at 10:45 AM on Sunday mornings for a video/discussion series on the book of Job.

All interested adults are welcome to attend.

## Coffee/Cookie Sign-Up

There are two open dates for serving coffee/cookies following worship. Please sign-up in the fellowship hall if you would like to serve on either May 28 or June 11.

Thank you to all who volunteer.

## “Sewing for Others”

“Sewing for Others” meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 1:00 PM in the Family Life Center.

All are welcome to join the group.

# March 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>SUNDAY SCHEDULE:</b> Koffee Kiosk from 8:55-9:25 AM Worship at 9:30 AM Sunday School and Children's Choir at 10:25 AM Coffee/Fellowship at 10:30 AM Adult Sunday School at 10:45 AM			<i>1</i> Grades 6-8 Youth at 6:30; High School Youth at 7:40; here	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i> <b>Bulletin information due by 9:00 on Friday mornings</b>	<i>4</i> <b>World Day of Prayer at Chancellor Reformed—Coffee 9:30 Service 10:00</b>
<i>5</i> <b>Pianist:</b> Diana Smit <b>Greeters/Special Music Coordinators:</b> Mark & Vivian Eitrem <b>Coffee/Cookies:</b> Mark & Vivian Eitrem HELPING HAND FUND OFFERING	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i> "Sewing for Others" at 1:00 PM	<i>8 Elder/Deacon Meet at 7:00; Consistory 7:30</i> Grades 6-8 Youth at 6:30; High School Youth at 7:40; here	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>12 Daylight Saving Time Begins</i> <b>Organist:</b> Helen Groen <b>Greeters/Special Music Coordinators:</b> Gary & Kim Geiken <b>Coffee/Cookies:</b> Ken & Lois Klinger MISSION FUND OFFERING	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i> Grades 6-8 Youth at 6:30; High School Youth at 7:40; at First English Lutheran	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>19 The Lord's Supper will be served</i> <b>Music:</b> Acoustic <b>Greeters/Special Music Coordinators:</b> Gary & Linda Klock <b>Coffee/Cookies:</b> Jerry & Mary Schilling and Brad & Beverly Winterboer	<i>20</i> <i>April newsletter information due by 9:00 AM</i>	<i>21</i> "Sewing for Others" at 1:00 PM	<i>22</i> Grades 6-8 Youth at 6:30; High School Youth at 7:40; at First English Lutheran	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>26</i> <b>Music:</b> Youth and Diana Smit <b>Greeters/Special Music Coordinators:</b> Pastor Harlan & Verlaine Hayunga <b>Coffee/Cookies:</b> Dave & Margaret Rupert BUILDING FUND OFFERING	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i> Grades 6-8 Youth at 6:30; High School Youth at 7:40; here	<i>30</i>	<i>31</i>	