

COMMUNITY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (Sponsored by Clear Lake Methodist and St. Paul's Lutheran) For Ages Preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> Grade All children and grandchildren in the area are welcome to attend!

Host church: St. Paul's Lutheran Church
Clear Lake, SD

May 28 Registration from 5:30 to 6:00 PM
Light supper served from 5:30 – 6:00 PM

VBS from 6:00 to 8:00 PM

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Program at 8:05 PM

Register Online: https://forms.gle/oSvTKP3pEQM86a9u5

OR

by Calling either Church on or before May 19
St. Paul's 874-2198
CL Methodist 874-2750

If leaving a message, please include the child's name, Fall **2024** grade in school and a contact phone number.

Joy Circle Meeting on May 8 at 9:00am in the Fireside room. We are studying the life of Jesus. The lesson will be #21 Scribes/Teachers of Law for the study and are available to be picked up in the library. Hostess- Joan Meyer Bible Study-Jayne Meland

# Synod Assembly

# **Registration Open!**

Registration for the 2024 South Dakota Synod Assembly, which will be held on May 31 and June 1 at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Sioux Falls, is now open. Our theme this year is "Connect(ed)." More details, including the schedule and preliminary materials, will be available soon on the main assembly page.

Registration will close on May 20. Watch this space for more details, which will be coming soon!

St. Paul's church family has set up a meal train to support the Hockett family as they welcome home their twins, Maple and River along with their two boys, Henry and Wilder. Please see the link below to provide a meal to Johnny, Brooke and family.

https://mealtrain.com/ooy14d

THE RIVER WE REMEMBER by Wm Kent Krueger is a beautifully written story about a small town living with the scars of hardship, learn in 1958, that a small Minnesota town is shocked by a murder. Memorial Day takes on a new meaning for its residents. This book will be discussed at the Community Book Club May 10, 2024 at St. Paul's Lutheran Church at 10:00. Pam Atyeo will lead the discussion. You are welcome to attend and join in the discussion of this book.

# Books added to our church library in 2024



- Things I Wish I Told My Mother James Patterson
- 2. The Immortal Life of Henriette Lacks R. Skloot
- 3. Grateful Heart Carol Blackford
- 4. The Richest Man in Town V.J. Smith
- 5. Killers of the Flower Moon David Grann
- 6. Giver of the Stars Jojo Moyes
- 7. Lessons in Chemistry Bonnie Garmus
- 8. The Midnight Library Matt Haig
- 9. In the Heart of the Sea Nathaniel Philbrick
- 10. The River We Remember Kent Krueger
- 11. LITTLE and OFTEN Trent Preszler (One Book South Dakota 2024)
- 12. The WOMEN Kristen Hannah
- 13. My Dear Hamilton Stephanie Dray
- 14. The Book of Charlie David Von Drehle
- 15. Dear County Agent Guy Jerry Nelson
- 16. The Little Paris BOOKSHOP Nina George
- 17. From TRAFFICKED To Treasured Kelly R. Patterson

I also recommend reading The Covenant of Waters by Abraham Verghese

#### PA SYSTEM

May Steve Harford

#### **USHERS**

May 5 Danay Nielsen & family

May 12 Tim Weltzin & Gavin Mattson

May 19 Gary & Sue DeJong

May 26 Bob & Kelli Bauman family

## **GREETERS**

May 5

May 12 Casey & Christina Magedanz family

May 19 Joan Meyer

May 26 Deb Huber

## **READER**

May 5 Gabe Mattson

May 12 Gary DeJong

May 19 Cassidy Kirby

May 26 Dennis Evenson

## COMMUNION DEACONS

May 5 Mick & Kim Hehn

May 19 Pam Lynde & Darla Toben

June Feeding SD

Date Change!

June 3<sup>rd</sup>

Ministry Partner SD Synod - Lutheran Outdoors

It's Monie Lundberg here! This article is a continuation of information relating to our SD Synod. As stated in two prior articles, the synod has many specialized or supported ministries. We call these ministries "Neighbors in Solidarity" to celebrate that their work is our work, too. In this article I will give some information on three camp experiences available to our youth through Lutheran Outdoors.

I thought it appropriate to use this article in May to provide information on Lutheran Outdoors South Dakota, especially as I hear the marvelous spring rains against the window panes. The mission of Lutheran Outdoors states that all are welcome to explore and experience Christ's love in community and creation! There are 3 branches of Lutheran Outdoors South Dakota. The branches are Outlaw Ranch in the Black Hills, Klein Ranch on the Prairie, and NeSoDak at the Water. On the bottom of one of the brochures about Lutheran Outdoors SD I am using as a reference it says, "Created to be in the Hills, on the Prairie and at the Water." How cool is that!!

<u>Outlaw Ranch</u> Nestled in South Dakota's picturesque Black Hills near Custer, SD Outlaw Ranch welcomes families and campers to our nurturing faith community. Outlaw Ranch provides an opportunity for families to explore the beauty of nature together, bond through shared adventures like hiking and horseback riding, and build lifelong connections. Join us for an unforgettable camping experience, where the warmth of community and the wonders of the Black Hills come together to create lasting memories of God's peace and guidance.

<u>Klein Ranch</u> continues to proudly offer a full horse program opportunity for campers 6-9. Klein Ranch is where self-confidence soars! With our small group approach, campers enjoy personalized attention while building strong connections. Our focus on horse experiences helps campers develop valuable life skills like responsibility, communication, and teamwork as well as a transformative faith-filled adventure. During 2023 Klein Ranch served 160 campers. This is an increase of nearly 20% over 2022. A celebration for the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Ranch was held in July of 2023.

**NeSoDak** served nearly 500 campers in the summer of 2023. NeSoDak is located on the shores of pristine glacial lake Enemy Swim, near Waubay, SD. NeSoDak provides a safe place for youth to build relationships, develop new skills and live in a grace-filled community. NeSoDak specializes in summer youth camps featuring our beautiful waterfront, half-week and week-long camps for elementary youth, full week and specialty camps for middle and high school youth, and intergenerational camps that allow all ages together to explore and experience Christ's love in community and creation. The goal is for each camper to have fun, grow in leadership, develop and nurture friendships, and strengthen their faith.