



The Chamberlain View

United Church of Christ Chamberlain, South Dakota

November 2011

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In our Thoughts and Prayers

~Boyd King ~Diane Philen
~Eula Morris ~Jean Cozine
~Marjorie Miller ~Ellis Carr
~Brock Feltman ~Esther Olson

Scripture and Themes for Worship Service

November 6, 2011 (Holy Communion & All Saints Day –
Remembering saints of the church who died)

OT – Joshua 24:1-3, 14-25

NT – 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Theme: Living with the End in Mind

Gospel – Matthew 25:1-13

November 13, 2011 (official UCC Stewardship Sunday)

OT – Judges 4:1-7

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Theme: Day People

Gospel – Matthew 25:14-30

November 20, 2011 (Considered Thanksgiving Sunday)

OT – Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

NT – Ephesians 1:15-23

Gospel – Matthew 25:31-46

Theme: When You Do it to the Least

November 27, 2011 (1st Sunday of Advent)

OT – Isaiah 64:1-9

NT – 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel – Mark 13:24-37

Theme: Advent Reminds Us About Waiting

Church staff and leadership

Rev. Gregory King
Lynn Miller, Secretary
Val Moore, Treasurer
Ryan Schaub, Diaconate
Doug Johnson, Trustee
Sheryl Larson, Moderator
Sally Reimer, Women's Fellowship

Karol Jo Hendrickson, Choir Director
Jane Cameron, Organist
Janeen Story, Religious Education
Elain Stone, Memorial Committee
Sandi Knippling, Pastoral Relations
Lynn Miller, Youth Group
Sherry Hansen, Missions Committee

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Date:	Attendance:
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Oct. 2	150
Oct. 9	150
Oct. 16	125

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24

November Help...

Coffee Fellowship

The Hieb circle

Ushers

Sandi Knippling, Louie Bergner, Desi Thompson and Roy Swanson

Chancel Arrangements

Cheryl Augspurger & Karol Jo Hendrickson

Cherri Johnson is mailing cards to our members. So for a card request please call her at 234-4081. Cards that may be sent by Cherri may include anything from sympathy, congratulations, get well, thinking of you or good job! You may also let Lynn know in the church office of any requests for cards to be sent.

OCTOBER PASTORAL ACTS

The funeral for Angela Estes was held on Friday, October 14th with Mother Liz officiating.

MEDIA RESOURCE CENTER

The RE board member's will be meeting in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, Nov. 13th at 9:30

The UCC choir will begin practice for the cantata on Wed. Oct. 26th at 7:30 pm thru Dec. 7th. The title this year is "God's Promise" and it will be presented during worship on Dec. 11th. All are invited to join in the choir, talk to Karol Jo with questions!

The Media Resource Center at the Conference office in Sioux Falls has many great resources available...for free! So what is available? Video and printed Bible studies, issues of faith, ethics, humor, world religions and family issues. These are for all ages and available to Pastors, youth leaders, Sunday school teachers and members. You may check out their website at; www.plainsmedia.org email Carmen Gill at mrc@sodakucc.org Or call Carmen at 605.334.2802 with any questions. If you find something you would like to see Carmen will mail it to you!

From the desk of Pastor Greg...

The theme of Stewardship is upon us in the life of our church. Actually, everyone who would be Christian is called to be a steward all the time. A steward in the New Testament is a hired person, servant, or manager whom the master trusts to run his household.

Jesus commented how a servant does not know what his master does, but a steward does know about the master's affairs. There is a close relationship between a steward and his master. However, Jesus taught that our relationship with God is even closer. We are children of God, sons and daughters making decisions in partnership with God. God declares that the earth and all that is in it is His. That means we are called to be in partnership with God, our Father, to care for the earth and all that is in it. It especially means that we are to take care of His Church and all who are in it. It means we are to take care of the Gospel message and share it with the rest of the world, beginning with our families, then, to our community, to our nation, and to the world.

Each of us has a role in the care of the church and the gospel. Each of us is in a place where the gospel is to be shared. Each of us is called to support one another as this gospel is shared in places we ourselves cannot go. That means God wants to use us. God wants us to give of our time, our talent, and our material resources so that this gospel of hope and life can be given for all His children.

Giving is essential to Life. Giving is an adventure, which makes us feel good about life. It releases us from doldrums. And what surprises us most is that it is so easy to give. Give a compliment to someone. Give an hour to a friend. Give a portion of what we have to someone who has less. It is by giving that we become greater than the single individual person. We become part of the transformation to the collective humanity – to the mystical essence of the Body of Christ. By giving to the church we become a part of the purpose for which it was created “to bring good news to the poor...to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor,” Luke 4:18-19a.

When we give of our time and talent, we are actively involved in the church's mission. When we give of our wealth, we support that mission with our power of life.

Therefore, giving is an adventure into the lives of persons we have never met, but who are fellow members of the Kingdom of God. Reaching out into our hospitals and helping console and care for the sick are an adventure in giving. Going to a home for the aged and bringing food and shelter to those who need it are other ways of giving. Through gifts of money it is possible to educate, heal, and transform those who without the ministry of Christ would continue in lonesome darkness.

Yes, giving of our time, our talent, and our money is an adventure, which can bring thrills to others and to ourselves. This is the kind of happiness many talk about, but cannot find.

Think about how you wish to participate in the ministry of our church. Think about how your financial giving helps our church's ministry beyond what you alone can do. I invite you to prayerfully consider the financial gift you can give for our Church's ministry and the time and talents you wish to share for the glory of God, the welfare of God's people, and for your own joy.

There will be a new member's class held on Sunday, Nov. 6th at 6:30 pm in the Fireside Room. New members will join during worship on Sunday, Nov. 13. Please visit with Pastor Greg of any questions you may have.

OFFICE HOURS FOR PASTOR GREG
Please note that the office hours for Pastor Greg will be;
Monday—Friday 9:30 am—11:30 am
And from 1:00 pm—4:00 pm by appointment
Call 605.234.5202

Email;
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Birthdays and Anniversaries of Members and Friends

Nov. 2 Grant Christensen,
Nov. 5 Diane Philen, John Talich
Nov. 7 Bill Burkard, Avon Power
Nov. 9 Donna Hieb, Jayslee Petersen
Nov. 12 Alice Odens
Nov. 13 Phyllis Feltman, Bailey Mayer
Nov. 14 Sherry Meyer, Chesney Mutziger
Nov. 15 Ronda Schelske, Judy Steckelberg
Nov. 16 Dale Knippling, Scott Steckelberg
Nov. 18 Patty Juhnke, Haven Talich
Nov. 19 Derek Long, Carey Story
Nov. 20 Michelle Stone, Rebecca Swanson,
Garry Winter
Nov. 21 Katie Juhnke
Nov. 23 Chad Gullickson, Brayden Kreil
Nov. 24 Alice Hutmacher
Nov. 25 MacKenzie Mertz, Dwayne Shaffer,
Thomas Stone
Nov. 28 Savanna Glaus
Nov. 29 Hazel Wipf
Nov. 30 Michelle Hieb, Don Steckelberg

Anniversaries

Nov. 1 Dale and Michelle Schoenfelder
Nov. 2 Ervin and Donna Hieb
Nov. 19 Steve and Doris Dominiack
Nov. 25 Iden and Joan Myers

Youth Group happenings...

On Wednesday, Nov. 2nd, 2011 the youth group, Pastor Greg, Patti and I will be traveling to Mitchell to DWU for a "Youth Night." We will be entertained by Christian comedian Daren Streblow. Please call or email Lynn if you would like to participate, 7th—12 grades are invited.

So come on, lets laugh together and have a good time!

Lynn 894-4494 or 730-0855
ucc@midstatesd.net

You may have seen that Katie Juhnke made a fleece blanket for the youth group to raffle off. Tickets are 1 for \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00. So if you see a youth group member ask them about buying a ticket for the blanket!

Lynn's church office hours are
back to... M-F 12:15 pm—12:45
pm 4:00 pm—6:00 pm

In emergencies you may call me
at Treehouse and ask for Lynn
at 234-6698 or Call my cell at
730-0855

Marjorie Miller is currently in Rapid City for physical therapy, following a stroke. Her address is; Regional Rehabilitation Institute 2908 5th St. Rapid City, SD 57701 and the phone number is 605.719.2220

November 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 All Saints Day	2 Youth group to Mitchell	3	4	5
6 9:30 am Sunday school 10:30 am worship 11:30 am Coffee Fellowship	7	8	9 Trustees meet at 5:30	10 Veterans' Day Priebe wed- ding re- hearsal	11 Priebe/DuFrain wedding	12
13 9:30 am Sunday school 10:30 am worship 11:30 am coffee fellowship	14	15	16	17	18	19
20 9:30 am Sunday school 10:30 am worship 11:30 am carry-in Community service 6:00 pm UCC	21	22	23 Diaconate 6 pm	24 Thanksgiv- ing Day	25	26
27 9:30 am Sunday school 10:30 am worship 11:30 am coffee fellowship	28	29	30	Dec 1	Dec 2	Dec 3
Dec 4 9:30 S.S 10:30 am worship 11:30 am coffee Fellowship	Dec 5	Dec 6	Dec 7 Trustee 5:30	Dec 8	Dec 9	Dec 10

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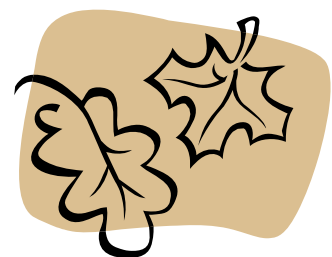
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O GIVE THANKS UNTO THE LORD FOR HE IS GOOD!



**The community –wide
Thanksgiving service will
be on Sunday, Nov. 20th,
2011 at United Church of
Christ at 6:00 pm. Please
join us along with the
community and other
churches to give thanks!**



A thank you from Pastor Greg...

During my first worship service with you I extended a "Thank You" to your warm welcome as we drove into Chamberlain. But I want to thank you again for all you are doing to help Patti and I get settled into our new home. Thank you unloading the rental truck of our belongings and moving them into the house or the church office. Thanks you for the beautiful flower arrangement from the Diaconate and another one from Connie Priebe. Thank you for the delicious meals that several of you brought over. Those really helped out, since it took a while to find our pots and pans and made a run to the supermarket. Thank you for fixing the broken doorknob & lock. Thank you for the beautiful repainting of the parsonage and the cleaning of the carpets.

We are done arranging some rooms, while a few others are still cluttered with boxes. I'm still figuring out what books and files are most important for me to keep at the pastor's study and what I can to keep at the parsonage.

I am planning to call on every member of our congregation. So do not panic when you get a call from me; you are not in trouble. I just want to get acquainted with you and you to know me a little better. I can see already that this congregation is a very caring church family. You really try to look out for each other. That is very refreshing. I am looking forward to serving you as your pastor.

Sincerely,
Pastor Greg

Diaconate Board Meeting Minutes October 19, 2011

Present: Julie Mertz, Jo Dooley, Jack Dooley, Becky Phelps, Carson Pringle, Brittney Priebe, Tom Carruthers, Louie Bergner, Renee Schaub, Ryan Schaub and Pastor King. Absent: Carol Randall, Derek Long, Gary Biskeborn and the balance of the Jr. Deacons and Deaconesses. Pastor King opened our meeting with prayer.

Old Business: Renee read the minutes from the previous meeting held on September 21, 2011. An official meeting was not held due to not having a quorum present. Approved by Brittney; seconded by Jo. **New Business:** We discussed Pastor King's preference of having communion served and it was decided to leave it as we have done it in the past. Pastor prefers the cup and bread in front so it is visible. Page numbers of scripture in the pew bibles will be put in the weekly bulletin so that the congregation can find them more easily. Ten to twelve bulletins will be printed in large print weekly for those in the congregation who prefer the larger print. Pastor would like to have seasonal banners for the front of the church to signify Christmas, Easter, change of seasons, etc. Renee will check on the cost and report back to the board. A discussion was held concerning sitting or standing for the second hymn during worship service. Per Pastor King, the second hymn focuses on meditation, so we will remain seated for this hymn. Pastor King will conduct services at Sanford Long Term Care the first Sunday of each month at 2:30 p.m. and will need assistance from our board to hand out hymnals and get members of our church, who are residents, down to the service. Renee volunteered to help with this service. We discussed the prayer chain, who was in charge of it and the benefits of having prayer requests emailed when possible. Canceling church due to inclement weather was the next topic. Pastor stated that he intends to have worship every Sunday regardless of the weather, but does not want any member of the church taking an unnecessary risk to get there. Communion will be held on November 6, 2011. Louie, Carson, Becky and Jo volunteered to help serve. Other members will either check their calendars or be contacted regarding helping. New members will be received on November 13, 2011. Pastor will have a one hour class for new members to attend prior to becoming members. Pastor King's installation will be held on November 13, 2011 at 3:30 p.m. We will need to finalize plans regarding refreshments and a meal. Vickie Olson's daughter, Kianna, will be baptized on November 20, 2011. Our church will be hosting the community Thanksgiving worship service which will be held on November 20, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. We will need to provide refreshments and 4-5 pies for this service. Julie and Renee will handle organizing refreshments. The candle guards and candles will need to be checked and ordered for the Christmas Eve service to be held at 5:00 p.m. The outdoor nativity scene will need to be gone through to determine if any repairs are needed. Our next meeting will be held on November 9, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. Louie made a motion to adjourn our meeting/seconded by Tom. Respectively Submitted, Renee Schaub, Secretary

October Trustees Meeting-Oct. 5th, 2011

Absent: Barry Swanson, John Blum and Lawrence Pickner

Present: Pastor Greg King, Connie Priebe, Doug Johnson, Tom Stone, Sally Reimer and Roger Burnfiendt

Doug called the meeting to order and Pastor Greg followed with a prayer. A motion to approve the September meeting minutes was made by Tom and Connie seconded it, carried. Connie moved to approve the September bill list Roger seconded it, carried. Sally made a motion to approve the financial report and Tom seconded it, carried.

Old Business:

Stewardship was the topic of the meeting, as the trustees needed to decide and finalize their plan. It was discussed in great length and decided upon that following the "pledge letter and pledge card" a "time & talent" survey and letter will be sent to member's home as part of the stewardship promotion. The stewardship Sunday will be November 13th, 2011. The trustees will soon need to budget for the 2012 year, so they are making preparations now.

New Business:

The second half of the land rent was received from Mr. Russ Bunker, which totaled \$4400.00.

A membership fee of \$20.00 was made to the Media Resource of the SD Conference office in Sioux Falls. An explanation will be in the November newsletter of what the Media resource center consists of, and how members may utilize it.

A payment was agreed upon for Mr. Jerry Tibbs' two services of worship that he provided between Pastor Duane's ending and Pastor Greg's arrival.

The meeting was adjourned by Sally and seconded by Connie.

The next meeting was set for Nov. 9th, 2011 at 5:30 pm in the church library.

Lynn Miller, secretary

CHECK

NO.	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	GENERAL	BUILDING	MUSIC	TOTAL
9516	Tim Johnson	monthly custodial contract	400.00			400.00
9516	Tim Johnson	1 funeral	75.00			75.00
9517	Pastor Duane Rhoadarmer	salary 9/15/11	1,076.50			1,076.50
9518	Pastor Duane Rhoadarmer	mileage	52.65			52.65
9518	Pastor Duane Rhoadarmer	mileage from SF	300.00			300.00
9519	Pastor Duane Rhoadarmer	reimburse insurance overpay.	140.62			140.62
9520	The Hartford	workmans comp	1,130.00			1,130.00
9521	Insurance Board	church package	1,437.25			1,437.25
9522	Pensions Board	rhoadarmer sept tax shelter	150.00			150.00
EFT	US Treasury	payroll tax	102.65		67.24	169.89
9523	Variety Plus	office supplies/keys	9.64			9.64
9524	Jane Cameron	organist			234.18	234.18
9525	Lynn Miller	secretary	485.39			485.39
9526	Steamway	parsonage carpet/ducts	715.56			715.56
9527	Dakota Milestones	1 mailing	57.20			57.20
9528	Pensions Board	King-annuity-4th qtr	1,911.00			1,911.00
9528	Pensions Board	King-dental-4th qtr	258.00			258.00
9528	Pensions Board	King-life/disability-4th qtr	204.75			204.75
9528	Pensions Board	King-health ins-4th qtr	4,325.25			4,325.25
9529	Val Moore	envelopes and stamps	83.69			83.69
9530	Janeen Story	Bibles	389.19			389.19
9531	Office Products	contract	55.99			55.99
9532	Northwestern Energy	utilities, church	571.76			571.76
9532	Northwestern Energy	utilities, parsonage	171.60			171.60
9533	Steckelberg	utilities, church	23.59			23.59
9534	Crossroads	teen Sunday school books	58.76			58.76
9535	Augsburg Fortress	Sunday school	59.90			59.90
9536	Patty Juhnke	music convention reimburse.	67.00			67.00
9537	Midstate Comm.	utilities, church	135.12			135.12
9537	Midstate Comm.	utilities, parsonage	107.11			107.11
9538	SD Conference	OCWM	666.67			666.67
9538	SD Conference	Placerville	50.00			50.00
TOTALS			15,204.84		368.42	15,573.26