

**Blessed Emmanuel/Sturgis
&
Grace/Deadwood
June 2025 Newsletter**

Summertime Blues

(Praise the Lord!)

Brothers and sisters!

We've had a nice rain, thank God, and school is out. Now it is time to start thinking about summer vacation! Yay!

Of course, don't forget to attend Church! I know people get busy, and there is lots to do, lots of activities to get involved with that you've been waiting all winter to do, but still, we need to make time for the Lord, no matter what season of the year. I look forward to seeing the visitors that we have over the summer months, I enjoy seeing new faces and hearing about where they are from, and possibly adding new members, especially if they are searching out the area for a new place to live. When those people come through our doors, we need to be ready to meet them, and I think we as a parish do a very good job of welcoming new people to our churches, and I mean that with all sincerity. Both churches have websites now and that is a good way for people to connect, and they are and will. I think we are very friendly to visitors, and that is a good thing. Thanks to everyone who helps make our parish a bright and cheery place, it goes a long way.

The title of this article is Summertime Blues, and I mean that not in a negative sense, but in a positive way, because I like "Blues" music, when I have time to listen. I think Christ, our Lord, can take us from having the blues to singing and praising God for all He has done for us, as He says, "your sorrow will turn into joy" (John 16:20b). I think our parish is making a real effort to reach out to others with the good news of Jesus Christ. Last year we added many new members to our parish (we are growing!), and I pray that will continue. All that the Lord asks of us is that we remain faithful to Christ and the Gospel, and the rest will take care of itself. Have a blessed summer!

Pastor Hinckley and family

IN OUR PRAYERS



Eileen Pickett's mother, Rose, Gene Harms, Jolene Young, Lavera Chord, Phyliss Beitelspacher, Sheila Derr, Kelley Hoffmann, Brielle Trimble, Cal and Debbie Meredith, Brenda Cavanagh, Theresa Sinner, Kim Schlecht, Davey Dale, Lou Hampton, Doug Daniels, Todd Wyant, Ig Gruenwald, Karen Schumm with ongoing health issues.

Home Visit Members: Al Ramero, Jane Andersen, Jeannine Jones, Lois Sorenson, Fred Straub, Millie VanDerWerff.

1 Liberty Hinckley
2 Pastor Hinckley
6 Carlene Holmes
10 Brandon Snyder
13 Rose Van Sickle
19 Drake Sundstrom

20 Lindy Hinckley
22 Jane Anderson
24 Wade McGruder
29 Ellen Gross
30 Jan Wilkins
30 Sharon Vaughn

Baptismal Birthdays

9 Pastor Hinckley
23 Jack Blair



Anniversaries

1 Denny & Kari Kannenberg	8 Dale & René Larson
1 Randy & Brenda McGruder	15 Shannon Weber
4 Cynthia & Kyle Geddes	16 Davey & Sandy Dale
7 Bill & Laurie Denke	23 Dane & Stacey Sundstrom
8 David & Sheila Derr	26 Nick & Shenae Alberts
27 Karla & Craig Curran	



"We Care Program"

Don't forget to save your Lynn's receipts! Please put them in Gene Zurcher's box at Blessed, and in the black mailbox labeled "Lynn's Receipts" on the table at Grace, and Erin will pick those up each week to give to Gene. This is a great way to raise funds for our churches!

Upcoming Events



Join both Blessed Emmanuel and Grace Lutheran for the Dual Parish Picnic Sunday, July 13th at the park on Sherman Street in Lead following a joint Sunday Service at 10:00am.

Blessed Emmanuel will be hosting Vacation Bible School July 14-18 from 9am-noon. Lunch is provided daily. Registration is July 14th at 8:30am.



Blessed Emmanuel needs volunteers to make food for, and serve breakfast and supper during the 2025 Sturgis Motorcycle Rally. Please sign up for slots on signupgenius.com. More information is posted on the back table of the sanctuary.

Grace LWML needs volunteers willing to provide food or help with funerals. Contact René Larson 605.641.3467 for more information. Also, neither Grace or Blessed LWML will meet again until September.



Grace Lutheran is giving away free ice cream cones on Fridays during the Deadwood Farmer's Market and also during the Dual Parish Picnic on Sunday, July 13th. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board at Grace Lutheran.

INTERESTED IN A GREAT SERVICE PROJECT?

LOVE SHARING YOUR FAITH WITH OTHERS?

Consider volunteering at Blessed Emmanuel during the 2025 Sturgis Motorcycle Rally!

The many volunteers who have helped during previous years can attest to the wonderful fellowship we

experience with our fellow LCMS members as well as the many visitors who attend breakfasts and suppers. We

serve about 2000 meals during the rally. That's 2000 opportunities to witness!

And we are greatly rewarded when we receive letters, weeks and months after the rally has ended, telling us that

after seeing the joyful volunteerism we have during rally, they have been motivated to volunteer more at their

home church.

- Slots are available for BREAKFAST 6:00 am – 12:00 pm

Daily from Saturday, August 2nd through Saturday August 9th

6 am – 12 pm—breakfast prep and cooking (4 people)

7:00 am – 12 pm—serving (14 people)

12 pm until done—clean-up (2 people)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/2025RallyBreakfast>

- Slots are available for DINNER 4:00 – 8:30 pm

Daily from Monday, August 4th – Friday, August 8th

4:00 – 8:30 pm—set-up/serve/clean-up (4 people)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/2025RallySupper>

We also need food donations: Monday = 6 9x13 size Lasagnas/ Tuesday = 6 2lb Meatloafs/
Thursday = 6 9x13 size Chicken Pot Pie

The link to sign-up for food donations is:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/2025RallyFoodDonations>

Please call Blessed Emmanuel at 605-423-5870 if you would like more information.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i> Grace Service 8:30am BELC Service 10:30am	2	3	4 Grace Service 6:30pm	5	6	7
8 <i>The Day of Pentecost</i> Grace Council Mtg 7:15am Grace Service 8:30am	9	10	11 Grace Service 6:30pm	12	13	14
15 <i>The Holy Trinity</i> Grace Service	16	17	18 Grace Service 6:30pm	19	20	21
22 <i>Second Sunday after Pentecost</i> Grace Service	23	24	25 Grace Service 6:30pm	26	27	28
29 <i>Third Sunday after Pentecost</i> Grace Service 8:30am BELC Service 10:30am	30					

LCMS June Bible Verse Challenge

Week of June 1, 2025 *Psalms 56:3*

When I am afraid, I put my trust in You.

Week of June 8, 2025 *Ezekiel 36:26*

And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh.

Week of June 15, 2025 *Leviticus 19:2*

Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them, You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy.

Week of June 22, 2025 *Hebrews 13:15*

Through Him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge His name.

Week of June 29, 2025 *Proverbs 3:5-6*

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths.

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