

Upcoming Events/Announcements

If someone you know has become homebound or has moved to a care center, please let us know so we can include them in our care ministries. We love our whole church family and want to ensure that everyone is included, remembered, and loved.

August Mission: CLUMC supports Meadowbrook Elementary School by providing school supplies like wide rule notebooks, crayons, 2 pencils, a box of tissues, pointed scissors, pink erasers, pencil boxes, plain solid pocket folders, glue sticks, colored markers & pencils, & dry erase markers. Clothes such as girls' leggings, boys' sweatpants (sizes 5-10), new socks and underwear are needed. Monetary gifts for children's lunches can be check or cash (denote 'August Mission Project') or given through CLUMC website: clumc.com

Cornerstone Mission - Brown Bag Meal for Summer: Food Items that are needed: Vienna Sausages, Packets of tuna or chicken, Gorp, Pretzels, Animal Crackers, Pudding cups, Applesauce cups, Granola bars, and Cracker. Monetary donation to CLUMC website: clumc.com.

August 23rd Canyon Lake UWF Retreat: "Everyday Angels", at First Methodist Church from 8:30 to 1:00, and the price will be \$10.00. Registration sheet will be in the Narthex.

September 27: 75th Anniversary Celebration, 4:30 PM for Tours, 5:30 PM Dinner, Cost \$20 per person. Tickets are available online clumc.com, and after church service.

Calendar at a Glance

August 23: Canyon Lake UWF Retreat at First Methodist Church from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm

September 1: Labor Day (Church Office Closed)

September 2: Fall Office Hours Resume

September 6: The Tom Pfeifle Memorial 5k fun Run/Walk at 9 AM
Paider Park

September 7: Fall Worship Times Begin

September 7: Sunday School Resumes

September 7: Kitchen Clean Day Noon-4 PM, All are welcome to come help for all or part of the time. Deep cleaning of walls, floors, and storage spaces. Sandwich lunch will be provided.

September 10: Wednesday Evening Activities Resume

September 11 & 12: District UWF Retreat at Storm Mountain

September 21: Special Charge Conference, 9:30 AM @ CLUMC

September 27: 75th Anniversary Celebration

September 30: Blood Drive 2-6 PM CLUMC CLC Gym



For the week of
August 17, 2025

Canyon Lake
United Methodist Church
Rapid City, SD

"Living Together"

This week we begin with Matthew 25, which is the parable of separating the sheep from the goats. Then we are walking through part of Paul's First letter to the Corinthians. If Matthew is going to instruct us to care for each other, then how is it that we can learn to live together in God's power and peace?

Prayer: Lord, teach us to live together. Teach us to have patience with each other. Teach us to see when the other person is hurting. Teach us to have the courage to reach out in your name and in your love. Amen

"When I was Hungry..."

Matthew 25:31-46

There is power in this parable that does not simply request that we love our neighbor but **COMMANDS** that we care for our neighbor in very specific ways. We are surrounded by so many of these conditions in the heart of our communities. Hunger, thirst, clothing, loneliness, incarceration, sickness. It is overwhelming to even think of a place to start to help, much less actually make a difference. But we are still commanded to try. In your life when, where, and how have you ever seen someone feeding and helping others, meeting them in their loneliness? How have you done this yourself, even in tiny ways?

"The Community Meal"

1 Corinthians 11:17-34

The early church in Corinth met every Sunday. When they met, they shared worship AND a meal together. The problem they were facing in this passage was that those who were richer were showing up early, eating all the best food, and leaving the crumbs for those who "didn't deserve" such a full meal. Paul called them on the carpet for this. He chewed them out for not caring for everyone in the church.

"Spiritual Gifts"

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

You would think that a book of the Bible that in so many ways has writing that is so sublime would be speaking to a church that understood and loved each other. Actually, the Church in Corinth was filled with problems as a very diverse congregation struggled to get along together. In this passage, Paul is helping to teach them that their obvious differences were not something to argue about in competition with each other but rather something to celebrate. Our differences give us strength.

"Part of the Body"

1 Corinthians 12:12-31

After Paul pointed out the differences of our individual gifts, he gave the Corinth Church this powerful image: We are the body of Christ, each of us a different part of that body with a different role to play. There is no doubt that many in that early church when they heard these words would have cocked their head to the side and furrowed their brow as they sought to understand. In the days, weeks and months following their first hearing of this idea, they would have gained much deeper insight. In our congregation, think of various people you know. What part of the body do you think each one of them might be? What roles do they play?

"The Gift of Love"

1 Corinthians 13

Here it is: the very heartbeat of this letter. One word. Our faith in Jesus Christ and our instructions in how to live are summed up in one word: Love. Which verses are most powerful to you in this amazing chapter? Why?

"A Different Language?"

1 Corinthians 14:1-19

As United Methodists, we almost never encounter people speaking in spiritual tongues during worship services. Other traditions, such as the Pentecostals,

very commonly exercise this gift in worship. It must have been fairly common in Paul's day as well. Paul himself was a mystic who lived powerfully in the spirit world. He sent these instructions to the church, knowing that this was not about language but rather still about love. He is instructing this church to love each way in practical ways. How is it that we might be able to interpret this chapter and love people in our own congregation more deeply?



Sermon Notes

This image shows a single sheet of white paper with horizontal blue or grey ruling lines. The lines are evenly spaced and run across the width of the page. There are approximately 20 lines visible. On the left side, there is a vertical margin line, creating a narrow left margin. The paper appears to be from a notebook or a standard ruled sheet of paper.

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