

Upcoming Events/Announcements

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

Our October mission is to support Showered with Hope, a local organization that provides free mobile showers to those in need. Ted Hayward has an amazing tale of how his anger at God turned his life around, and he will share that story with CLUMC on October 12 and 13 when he visits and brings his portable shower unit to our church. We are asking our church to provide 1) men's and women's underwear, 2) men's and women's socks, and 3) women's sports bras. We will also provide 40 hygiene kits minus the hand towels. Drop items at the display in the lobby or donate via cash, check or online by noting "Showered with Hope" on your gifts.

We are collecting shoeboxes for our Shoebox Christmas. Start bringing those empty shoeboxes to the church now. You can drop them off in the office, in the missions closet, or on the shelves above the coat racks in the lobby.

Our Indoor Trunk or Treat will be held on October 30 from 6-7:30 p.m. in the Christian Life Center. You can help by bring candy donations (drop candy at the lobby display or in the church office). You can also help by signing up to decorate and host a table. Talk to Erin Woods or sign-up in the lobby.

Dinner for 8 is back! Sign up as a couple, sign up as a single, sign up with a friend, sign up as a substitute— just sign up! The first round of Dinner for 8 will be held in October/November, followed by a Soup Supper for all participants together in January, followed by three more dinners from February to April. Sign up at worship this weekend or by contacting the office. Contact Janet Young for more information.

Calendar Items & Events

October 15: Building Relational Bridges with our Native American Siblings Webinar @ 6 p.m. MT (first session)

October 16: Be SMART Firearm Safety Presentation @ 6:15 p.m.

October 30: Trunk or Treat (6 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.)

November 2: Life Line Screening in the Christian Life Center

November 15: Scripture Circle at CLUMC from 6-9 p.m.

THE PATH



For the week of
October 6, 2024

**Canyon Lake
United Methodist Church
Rapid City, SD**

Laying Down One's Life

This week we will wrap up Luke and begin reading the fourth gospel, John. In these final chapters of Luke, we will walk ever closer and into the final moments of Jesus' ministry. How will these chapters continue to speak to us on how to live? Then, we will transition into John, which is written very differently from the other three gospels. Because of the similarity in what they tell and how they tell it, the first three are called the synoptic gospels. But John will change it up a bit, in style and structure, focusing heavily on how Jesus is the bringer of ultimate life.

Prayer: Lord, as we enter this week, continue to teach us how to follow you. Show us how to live here so we may always be in your presence, now and forever. Amen.

Monday 10.7 "What will they think?" Luke 20:1-8

Luke has focused on how Jesus shows we are to live. Here he points out how the religious leaders are more concerned with what others will think of their answer than they are about what answer is actually true. Have there been moments you have done the same? Have you spoken or acted how you thought others would want you to instead of how you knew to be the right thing to do?

Tuesday 10.8 "Turned back around" Luke 22

Jesus knew Peter would mess up. Jesus knows we will mess up. Is that the end? No! Jesus' words to Peter are to us as well. When we mess up, when we fail, we should turn around, ask forgiveness, and try again. Do you ever find "trying again" to be hard, in faith and in life?

Wednesday 10.9 "Everyone's doing it" Luke 23

"If everyone jumped off a cliff, would you too?" That's a bit of what's happening here. The crowds that earlier cheered and listened have now turned to jeers and cries for Jesus' death. Do we ever allow ourselves to be sucked into things, big or little, because everyone else is doing them, without pausing to consider if we really should?

Thursday 10.10 "All the scriptures" Luke 24

Twice, Jesus showed them how all of their scriptures (our Old Testament) pointed to and explained his coming, ministry, death, and purpose. John Wesley emphasized this same point, that we needed all scripture to help understand our salvation in Jesus. If you have been following the yearlong plan, how has your understanding of your faith been affected? If you have not been, how do you think a more complete understanding of scripture might affect your faith?

Friday 10.11 "Life and Light" John 1:1-5

Does reading these verses make you think of the creation story in Genesis 1? There, God speaks, and creation happens. Words bring about life and light. Here, the author titles the presence of God that comes down to earth as the Word. Jesus is the ultimate giver of life and light to us. This will be a major theme throughout John.

Saturday 10.12 "New Birth" John 3:1-15

When we believe in Jesus, a change takes place. We become vessels of the Spirit of God, and that Spirit empowers us to live new lives, differently than we did before. We are called to live as children of God! Reflecting on the other gospels, and on the world around us, what is our new life, our life in Christ, meant to look like?

Sermon Notes
