

## 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.

**March's Mission Project: Easter Craftaganza** – CLUMC Outreach Supplies can be donated or will be purchased, and we need volunteers for this event. Monetary gifts can be checks or cash (denote 'March Mission Project') or given through the CLUMC website at: [clumc.com](http://clumc.com). Contact Erin Woods (605)393-7438 if you can help.

**Black Hills Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR)** will be creating Hygiene Kits for our community in March. Please donate any UNUSED travel containers of shampoo, conditioner, soap, lotions, deodorants, toothbrushes and toothpaste, washcloths, hand towels, etc. For this worthy cause.

**SCHOLARSHIP AVAILABLE:** Will you be a full-time student in an education program that leads to a career in healthcare, nursing, or a medical-related field in the Fall of 2026? If so, consider applying for the Mary & Glen Fiala Scholarship offered through the Dakotas Minnesota Methodist Foundations and Canyon Lake UMC.

<https://forms.office.com/r/VpYwHr4Nts>

**Canyon Lake UMC announces the opening of a staff position for church office manager.** This position is 25 hours per week, Monday through Friday. Contact Pastor Scott at [Scott.McKirby@clumc.com](mailto:Scott.McKirby@clumc.com), by office phone at (605)348-1080, or by cell at (605) 269-1358 for information. Pick up an application at the church office.

**The Easter Flower Purchase:** the cost for each arrangement is \$15; order must be completed by March 22, 2026. Make checks payable to CLUMC. If you have any questions, please email or call the office (605-348-1080), [office@clumc.com](mailto:office@clumc.com). These flowers will decorate the sanctuary on Easter Sunday, and then you may take your arrangement home with you following whichever Easter Worship you attend. We will donate flowers not picked up by April 9, 2026.

### Financial Report (January 31, 2026)

	Actual	Budget	YTD Difference
<b>Revenues</b>	\$101,434	\$76,465	\$24,969
<b>Expenses</b>	\$55,118	\$55,864	-\$746
<b>Net Revenue</b>	\$46,316	20,601	

### Calendar at a Glance

**March 6-7:** Men's Retreat at Storm Mountain

**March 8:** Daylight Savings Time Begins

**March 22:** Easter Craftaganza – 2-3:30 PM

**March 28 & 29:** Palm Sunday

**April 2:** Prayer Vigil – All Day Thursday

**April 2:** Maundy Thursday – 6:30 PM

**April 3:** Good Friday – 6:30 PM

**April 4:** Lazarus Saturday – 5:30 PM

**April 5:** Easter Sunday – 6:30 AM SonRise Worship – 8:30 AM Traditional Worship – 10:45 AM Contemporary Worship

# THE PATH

For the week of  
**March 1, 2026**

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

## "Dig Another Well"

In this second week of Lent, here is an image for you. In Mark 4:35-41, Jesus is in the boat with his disciples when a huge storm comes up. The disciples are terrified while Jesus sleeps through the chaos. Finally, the disciples wake him, and Jesus calms the storm. There is a painting of this passage that was created by the painter Rembrandt. It is a very dramatic piece of art, but there is one thing seemingly wrong in it. When you carefully count the disciples in the boat, there are thirteen of them. What? Why? When you look in the bottom center of the painting, there is one disciple in a blue shirt staring out directly at you. In later years, Rembrandt explained that this thirteenth disciple was Rembrandt himself. He painted himself into Christ's life as one of the terrified and helpless disciples! That disciple could have been any of us. This week we explore prayer as we enter the struggles of faith in real life.

Prayer: Lord, we come to you in prayer. We hear your words in Psalm 46:10 "Be still and know that I am God." Help us to be still, to let the storms swirl around us knowing that we are safe in your arms and will calm the storm for us. Teach us again and again that we can come to you with all of our lives knowing you will guide and bless us. Amen.

**Monday 3.2 “God’s Love in Christ” Romans 8:35-39** Read Paul’s words slowly, as a love letter from God. Which lines speak to you most powerfully? What words strike you as most important? Gleam out at you? Offer God several minutes of silence. Just be with God. What do you notice? Prayer: Lord Jesus, thank you. Thank you that nothing can separate me from you. Amen

**Tuesday 3.3 “Reaching to Jesus” Mark 5:24b-34** As you read this story about Jesus and the woman with the hemorrhage, pay close attention to the details. We all have places in our lives that are bleeding. What is yours? Are you lonely? Tired? Discouraged? Physically ill? Angry? Bitter? Jealous? Have you judged someone for something they did to you? Your judgement can anchor their sin into your soul with a spiritual fishhook. Ask God what in you needs to be healed. Offer it to God. When you are ready, reach forward to touch Jesus.

**Wednesday 3.4 “A Prayer Walk, Part 1” Genesis 1:26-2:3** God loves creation. God made us, the animals, our beautiful earth. There are actually two stories of creation in the book of Genesis. In this one, God looked at everything he made and said it was good. In the Adam and Eve story, God walked around the garden of Eden “at the time of the evening breeze”. Both of these powerful stories show God’s joy in what God has brought into being. We live in a beautiful place. The Black Hills are an inspiring example of God’s creation. There are other beautiful areas around us that may be less famous: the Badlands, the open prairie, the Missouri River and its tributaries. All of God’s creation has its own beauty if we are in tune to it. Next time you are out and around, stop. Breathe deeply and take it all in. Smell the pines and the grasses, listen to the calls of the birds, look at the clouds and deep blue sky. We are surrounded by the very things that God said are good! Thank God in your prayers!

**Thursday 3.5 “A Prayer Walk, Part 2” Genesis 1:26-2:3** Yesterday’s scripture told of God’s joy in the newly created world. But God is still creating! Today, take a “Prayer Walk”. Choose a place - whether in nature, a shopping mall, your office, the library, your own neighborhood or someone else’s. Walk through it slowly. Try to see it with God’s eyes. Feel God’s love for the place, the growing things, the people. As you walk, bless the houses or rooms or paths. Bless the people who will go in and out of them. Bless their families. Pray for God’s healing, guidance, and protection. Pray as you feel the Spirit moving you to pray for anyone you see. What did you notice?

**Friday 3.6 “Plain Old Names” Matthew 1:1-17**  
Read the scripture. Wow! Isn’t that stunningly boring? All those names are so *tedious*. Then you realize those names are really people. Each one of them had whole lives, with everything that goes into a life: joy,

suffering, fear, awe, gratitude, hoarded resentments, learning, laughter, pain, anger, forgiveness, love. Matthew sums up 42 generations of people - their lives, their relationships with people, their relationships with God - using a list of 42 first names. Now, imagine placing a phone book and your own list of contacts in your lap. Close your eyes and turn your attention to those items. There are thousands of names, thousands of lives, thousands of families, represented there. Bring them into the stillness of God with you. Pray that they share God’s peace. Let the Spirit guide your prayer for them.

**Saturday 3:6 “A Gift of Christ’s Love” 1 John 3:14-24**  
Sit quietly and read this beautiful portion of the first letter of John. Love is the watchword, the sign of the Christian. When we know Christ’s love, the Spirit will prompt us in words and acts of love. Will you close your eyes and ask Christ if there is someone whom he would like you to give something to show his love? A name or a face may appear to you as you pray. If no one occurs to you during your prayers ask the Spirit to prompt you as you go through your day. Who is it? What is the gift? Be sensitive to the promptings of the Spirit. Does the local homeless shelter need a donation? Is your neighbor lonely? Does your neighborhood school need a volunteer? Does someone need a phone call, a card, a bit of encouragement, a job? Ask the Spirit. When the time is right, give someone Christ’s gift.



### Sermon Notes

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