



# The Chamberlain View

United Church of Christ  
Chamberlain, South Dakota  
**March 2025**

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~Judy Schofield

~Lonnie Neeman

~Florine Glaus

~Ronnie & Sally  
Reimer

~Miley Mines

~Pedro Madrona Jr.

~the family of  
Diane Hieb

~the family of

Marjorie Swanson

~Scott Busack

~Haven Talich

~Diane Philen

~Elaine Stone

~Daniel Horn

~Dotty Hieb

~Paxton Gran

~Wanda Pickner

~Roger Easland

~the family of Dick  
Lloyd

## *Prayer Concerns*

### **New address update:**

**Pastor Jim & Liza Oleson**  
897 Meier Road  
Old Monroe, MO 63369

**Pastor Jim's new church is:**  
St Paul UCC  
Old Monroe, MO

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## *Suggested Scriptures*

~Mar 2~ Ps 99, 2 Cor 3:12-4:2, Ex 34:29-35

~Mar 9~ Deut 26:1-11, Rom 10:8-13, Luke  
4:1-13

~Mar 16~ Ps 27, Phil 3:17-4:1, Luke 13:31-  
35

~Mar 23~ Isa 55:1-9, 1 Cor 10:1-13, Luke  
13:1-9

~Mar 30~Ps 32, Josh 5:9-12, Luke 15:1-3

## Χρονοι και Καιροι: Times and Seasons with Pastor Jim

March, 2025

At the top of this page, you'll see the koine Greek words which mean Times and Seasons. This is what I decided to call my newsletter pieces when I first arrived as your pastor in October 2012. The first word, *chronos*, means "clock time", that type of time which means so much to us as we live our day-to-day lives. The second word, *kairos*, means "appointed or proper time" or "season". This is "God time" This is a reminder to me, and all of us, that some things happen on our time, but for other things we have to wait for God's time.

Twelve plus years of clock time (*chronos*) have wound down. If I were to say all that I have within me to say, we'd have to get the book rate in order to mail out the newsletter. I cannot begin to express the love we have for you, the appreciation for all you've done for us and for the church, and the depth of how much we will miss you.

Yet it is now the proper season (*kairos*) for us all to move on.

One of my first Sundays here, I preached from Hebrews 10:21-25, and noted how closely the biblical author mirrored the FISH! philosophy. Just as a reminder, the FISH! Philosophy is four simple keys used to create a great work culture and environment: Be there. Play. Make their day. Choose your attitude.

The sermon focused mostly on the first two keys, "be there" and "play". But in my last newsletter article as your pastor, I would like to focus on the last two: "Make their day" and "choose your attitude."

You all have not only "**made my day**", you have "made my" entire twelve-plus years here. Being able to do the work of ministry in this congregation has been an amazing experience. This has been a time of tremendous growth for me, and your support and nurture have been outstanding. If, twelve years ago, I would have had the opportunity to design the perfect congregation, I wouldn't have been able to come up with something better than who you already are. Thank you.

Finally, "**Choose your attitude.**" I have seen you choose your attitude. You have chosen the attitude of supporting a new seminary graduate in this role as your pastor, investing in my future rather than seeking someone "safer", with more experience. I am deeply grateful.

You have also chosen the attitude of staying together and tackling those hard questions, those difficult financial issues, not shying away, but going forward as a community, investing in one another.

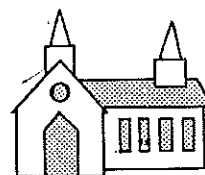
Which almost brings me back to the first point of the FISH! Philosophy, "**be there.**" You have been there for one another. You have been there for Liza and me. And we, though we will be far away, will continue to be spiritually with you.

And I can't close without revisiting again the second point of the FISH! Philosophy, "**Play.**" This is a sacred space and a sacred community. But God created us with a wonderful sense of humor, which God shares (I mean, look who God called into ministry at age 50? God has a terrific sense of humor!) God doesn't want carbon copies of a generic "perfect Christian." God wants us to be the best you and the best me that we can be. And to praise God with all of our gifts, including our senses of humor.

I don't know about you, but that almost makes me want to go out and play.

May God bless you richly in this time of transition.

Pastor Jim



Come as a Guest  
Leave as a Friend

## *UCC at Chamberlain Church Staff and Leadership:*

MaKaela Randall Associate Pastor  
 Lynn Peterson, Secretary  
 Patty Juhnke, Treasurer  
 Chantell Kriel, financial secretary  
 Doris Dominiack, Diaconate  
 Jeff Williamson, Trustee  
 Dee Handel, Moderator

Pastoral Relations  
 Religious Education  
 Memorial Committee  
 Trevor McDonald, Captain of Ushers  
 Missions Committee  
 Katie Geidel, HS youth group  
 Chantell Kriel & Destiney Storms, MS Youth

### February Pastoral Acts

The funeral of Marjorie Swanson was held on Feb. 15th.

The baptisms of Della Clair Glaus & Carsten Edward Schelske were held on Feb. 9th.

The baptisms of; Avery Lockwood, Brynlee Lockwood, Bryken Storms, Jace Storms & Henry Palmer were held on Feb. 12th.

New members on Feb. 12th; Eric & Destiny Storms and Brennan & Amber Lockwood

### *Helping in March. . .*

Coffee Fellowship  
 The Ruth/Esther Circle

Ushers  
 Jack Dooley, Jo Dooley, Bob Augspurger &  
 Jason Sorensen

Chancel Arrangement  
 Clarissa Glaus

### **STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**Date:                      Attendance:**

|        |     |
|--------|-----|
| Feb 2  |     |
| Feb 9  | 48  |
| Feb 16 | 109 |
| Feb 23 | 220 |

**Congratulations to our new confirmands!**

**February 23rd, 2025-Pastor Jim Oleson**

**Bryken Storms, Chevy Fees, Avery Lockwood, Jayda Brown,  
 Emberly Randall, Hannah Shields and Lyza Chemela**



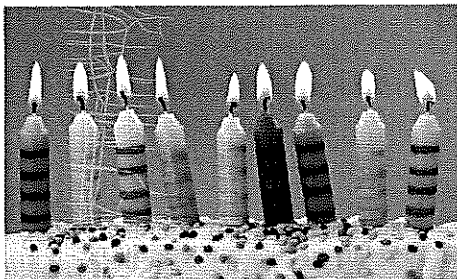
# *Birthdays and Anniversaries of Members and Friends*

## BIRTHDAYS

March 1: Moriah Glaus  
March 2: Mandy Michalek  
March 3: Wendy Willrodt  
March 4: Troy Glaus  
March 5: Laura Swanson  
March 6: Florine Glaus, Riley Knippling,  
March 8: Tim Mertz, Colton Powers  
March 11: Mike Steckelberg, Adam Mayer  
March 12: Sean Johnson, Chisum Blum  
March 13: Shelby Swanson  
March 19: Ella Phillips  
March 20: Emma Powers  
March 22: Leo Mosterd  
March 23: Eva Birchfield, Nathaniel Winter  
March 24: Garret Christensen, Brittney Sawhill,  
Atlee Augspurger  
March 26: Dooley Shroyer, Kristin Biskeborn,  
Zayden Simonsen  
March 27: Cash Fees  
March 28: Bradee Pazour  
March 29: Barry Betts,  
Chynna Story, Sally Reimer  
March 31: Pastor Jim Oleson

## Anniversaries

March 1: Tom and Cindy Selland  
March 31: Dave and Deb Rinehart

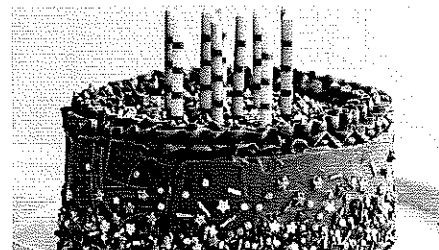


## BIRTHDAYS

April 3: Lynn Peterson, Dale Schoenfelder,  
Hadley Tichy  
April 4: Rick Moore, Trisha Burke, Grace  
Phillips  
April 5: Ty Rose  
April 6: Parker Evans, Sami Schwartz  
April 7: Dorothy Markus  
April 9: Caleb Swanson  
April 10: Waylon Geidel  
April 11: Katelyn Moore  
April 13: Sholi Glaus  
April 14: Annie Thompson  
April 17: Jay Blum  
April 18: Jayna Handel, Eli Donaldson  
April 19: Jessica Betts-Sanger,  
April 20: Teresa Selland  
April 22: Boon Estes  
April 24: Amy Magnuson  
April 25: Garry Allen, Renee Roland, Kit Ta-  
lich  
April 28: Doris Dominiack  
April 29: Harley Cable, Vic Twamley  
April 30: Randy Dominiack, Dayle Chilson

## Anniversaries

April 1: Dan Goodman and Diane Philen  
April 1: David and Rebecca Swanson  
April 25: Jim and Sholi Glaus  
April 25: Dale and Sandi Knippling  
April 26: Harley and Dawn Cable



## February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 Trustee Meeting Notes

Present: Pastor Jim Oleson, Gary Dominiack, Bob Augspurger, MaKaela Randall, Scott Simonsen & Gary Biskeborn

Absent: Jason Stone, Lana Karstens, Cheri Williamson & Jeff Williamson,

Pastor Jim began with a prayer. Co-Chairperson Bob A. opened the meeting.

Motions were made by Gary D & Gary B. to approve the Jan.meeting minutes, approved. Gary B & Bob made motions to approve the Jan. bill list, approved. Gary D. & Gary B made motions to approve the financial report, approved.

**Old Business:** Dues that can be paid are Association dues (when they are presented,) CUE dues and Ministerial dues.

### New business:

The west side church window will be replaced by Brule County Lumber when they schedule us in.

The church carpet that was replaced was the sanctuary and the west steps and entrance by Josh Pfeffer of Pierre. 1806 Vista Ridge Pl., Pierre, SD 57501. 605-280-6181

The meeting was adjourned by Gary D and Scott S. Carried.

The next meeting was set for **March 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:15am** in the church library.

Lynn Peterson, secretary

| CHEC<br>K<br>NO. | PAYEE                    | DESCRIPTION                          | EXPENSE AMOUNT |          |          |          | TOTAL     |
|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
|                  |                          |                                      | GENERAL        | BUILDING | MUSIC    | MEMORIAL |           |
| 2798             | James Oleson             | salary                               | 4,408.93       |          |          |          | 4,408.93  |
| EFT              | US Treasury              | payroll tax                          | 149.46         |          | 0.00     |          | 149.46    |
| 2799             | Lynn Peterson            | secretary                            | 691.08         |          |          |          | 691.08    |
| 2800             | J & Y Cleaning Services  | monthly custodial contract           | 639.00         |          |          |          | 639.00    |
| 2800             | J & Y Cleaning Services  | 2 funerals                           | 266.26         |          |          |          | 266.26    |
| 2801             | CCLI                     | music copyright                      | 0.00           |          | 382.00   |          | 382.00    |
| 2802             | Wells Fargo              | organ humidifier additive            | 0.00           |          | 37.16    |          | 37.16     |
| 2813             | Office Products          | paper, toner, envelopes              | 335.02         |          |          |          | 335.02    |
| EFT              | Northwestern Energy      | utilities, church                    | 513.17         |          |          |          | 513.17    |
| EFT              | Northwestern Energy      | utilities, house                     | 241.80         |          |          |          | 241.80    |
| EFT              | First Interstate Bank    | account analysis                     | 31.44          |          |          |          | 31.44     |
| EFT              | Byre Brothers Inc.       | house                                | 27.20          |          |          |          | 27.20     |
| EFT              | Byre Brothers Inc.       | church                               | 48.20          |          |          |          | 48.20     |
| 2803             | Burke Oil                | church                               | 2,841.02       |          |          |          | 2,841.02  |
| 2803             | Burke Oil                | parsonage                            | 246.92         |          |          |          | 246.92    |
| EFT              | Midstate Communications  | church                               | 110.67         |          |          |          | 110.67    |
| EFT              | Midstate Communications  | house                                | 107.76         |          |          |          | 107.76    |
| 2804             | LeAnne Olivier           | play piano 1 x                       | 0.00           |          | 75.00    |          | 75.00     |
| EFT              | The Pension Boards       | employer dues                        | 729.85         |          |          |          | 729.85    |
| EFT              | The Pension Boards       | life/disability                      | 78.20          |          |          |          | 78.20     |
| 2805             | Group Publishing         | RE-Bibles for 4 yr old and 4th grade | 261.13         |          |          |          | 261.13    |
| EFT              | Am Trust                 | work. Comp-second 1/2                | 262.00         |          |          |          | 262.00    |
| 2806             | Riverside Landscaping    | sprinkler blowout                    | 165.67         |          | 0.00     |          | 165.67    |
| 2807             | Missouri Valley Plumbing | roto kitchen sink drain              | 0.00           | 181.78   | 0.00     |          | 181.78    |
| 2809             | Josh Pfeffer             | carpet installation                  |                | 3,462.00 |          |          | 3,462.00  |
| 2808             | Patty Juhnke             | direct 3 x's                         | 0.00           |          | 375.00   |          | 375.00    |
| 2810             | Robyn Knecht             | play piano 6 x's                     | 0.00           |          | 450.00   |          | 450.00    |
| 2811             | SD Conference            | OCWM                                 | 709.00         |          |          |          | 709.00    |
| 2811             | SD Conference            | Placerville                          | 50.00          |          |          |          | 50.00     |
| 2812             | Will Mahnke              | 1 snow removal                       | 65.00          |          | 0.00     |          | 65.00     |
|                  | <b>TOTALS</b>            |                                      | 12,978.78      | 3,643.78 | 1,319.16 | 0.00     | 17,941.72 |

# March 2025



| Sun   | Mon | Tue | Wed                        | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|-----|-----|----------------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| MS youth group Wed.<br>at 7pm   |     |     |                            |     |     | 1   |
| 2<br>9:30 Sunday school<br>10:30 am worship<br>11:15 am coffee                      | 3   | 4   | 5<br>Ash<br>Wednes-<br>day | 6   | 7   | 8   |
| 9<br>9:30 Sunday school<br>10:30 am Worship<br>11:15 am coffee &<br>trustee meeting | 10  | 11  | 12                         | 13  | 14  | 15  |
| 16<br>9:30 Sunday school<br>10:30 Worship<br>11:15 coffee                           | 17  | 18  | 19                         | 20  | 21  | 22  |
| 23/30<br>9:30 Sunday school<br>10:30 Worship<br>11:15 coffee                        | 24  | 25  | 26                         | 27  | 28  | 29  |