

SUMMER IS HERE

SHARE YOUR TALENTS

Since Choir and Handbells are on a break this summer, It would add so much to our worship to have people/ youth in our congregation share their talents with us. We would love to hear singing or instrumental pieces (Maybe the solo you played for the band contest at school!)

If you aren't comfortable sharing, maybe you would like to hear someone in our congregation sing or play, or know someone outside of our church who would be willing to share their talents. Please contact them and when they say "YES" please sign them up on the schedule on the bulletin board. Call Karyn Montgomery with any info needed for the bulletin so they can be included in the service. Thank you!!

Starlyn Church

FOOD PANTRY FOCUS

Food Pantry Focus for June and July

We are collecting **toilet paper** for the McCook Food Pantry during the month of June. Please have the items to the church by the end of the month. July will be jelly in plastic containers.



"Speaking to one another with psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord"

Ephesians 5:19





FOOD PANTRY FOCUS

We have an opportunity to support the McCook County Food Pantry with items that they cannot really get elsewhere. Below is a wish list of items needed for the food pantry. These are items that are in short supply or they are prohibited from getting due to grant restrictions. The entire list is below; however, the World Outreach committee has decided to concentrate on different items each month. This does not mean you cannot donate other items during the year but we thought a focus on items might help and is almost a challenge to see how many of each item we can do each month. We will post these on our grocery cart as well.

ENTIRE LIST

If you Can't
Feed a
Hundred People,
then Just feed
One.
-Mother
Teresa

- Fixings for chili (chili beans/crackers/chili seasoning packets)
- Peanut butter (prefer creamy)
- Ramen noodle
- Soup (prefer tomato and chicken noodle)
- Laundry detergent (prefer smaller sizes)
- Kleenex
- Non sugar cereal (Cheerios/Rice Krispies/Chex)
- Snack pack pudding cups — chocolate or vanilla
- Canned chicken
- Canned tuna
- Toilet paper
- Sugar
- Flour
- Green beans
- Corn
- SpagettiOs/Ravioli
- Jelly in plastic squeezeable containers (no glass)
- Manwich/packets of sloppy joe mix
- Taco seasoning in packets



BEAUTY IN THE BADLANDS

On a recent trip to the Badlands a couple weeks ago our exchange student, Zeynep, said, “If I ever move to South Dakota, I’d live here. It’s beautiful.” To some the Badlands are long stretches of barren nothingness, to others it is other-worldly beautiful. Zeynep’s comment reminded me of a recent podcast I listened to called *On Being*, in which host Krista Tippett interviewed poet Mary Oliver. During the interview Mary Oliver shared that while life presented difficulties for her, she “got saved by the beauty of the world,” and her nature-centered poetry testifies to it.

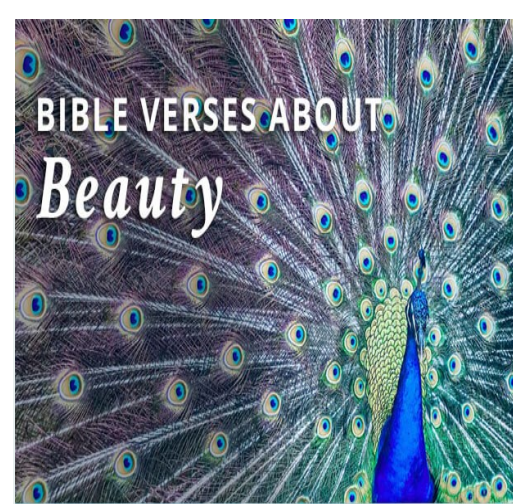
We can’t live without beauty - sunsets, Mary Cassatt paintings, a 1962 Oldsmobile Starfire Convertible, the carefully crafted words of Toni Morrison – they surprise us and pause us. Beauty is essential to our humanity. As theologian N.T. Wright argues, “Some of the earliest signs of *homo sapiens* are the remarkable works of cave art which indicate much more than a functional interest in the world.” **Beauty carries within greetings from another world.** As Psalm 19 declares, “The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.” The beauty and wonder of this world point beyond themselves to the goodness of God.

I invite you to pause for a moment today and reflect on where you have seen beauty and wonder lately. Perhaps in nature, or in a poem? Perhaps in your favorite Bible verse or worshipful song? Perhaps in conversation with a friend, or in moments of sacred silence? Perhaps in the smile of a family member, or the laughter of a co-worker? Perhaps in a piece of art, or a delectable dessert? When you find that *thing* that causes you to pause, may its beauty and wonder speak deeply to your soul.

Pastor Jerry

<https://onbeing.org/programs/mary-oliver-i-got-saved-by-the-beauty-of-the-world/>

Simply Christian, by N.T. Wright, pg. 42.



“You are altogether beautiful, my darling;
there is no flaw in you.”
~ *Song of Solomon 4:7*

“Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a
woman who fears the Lord is to be praised.”
~ *Proverbs 31:30*

“I praise you because I am fearfully and
wonderfully made; your works are wonderful,
I know that full well.”
~ *Psalms 139:14*

“He has made everything beautiful in its time.”
~ *Ecclesiastes 3:11*

“Those who look to him are radiant, and their
faces shall never be ashamed.”
~ *Psalm 34:5*

“Let the king be enthralled by your beauty;
honor him, for he is your lord.”
~ *Psalms 45:11*

“Do not lust in your heart after her beauty or let
her captivate you with her eyes.”
~ *Proverbs 6:25*

“From Zion, perfect in beauty, God shines forth.”
~ *Psalms 50:2*

“Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly
we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being
renewed day by day.”
~ *2 Corinthians 4:16*

“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ
Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in
advance for us to do.”
~ *Ephesians 2:10*

“The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the
mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace.”
~ *Romans 8:6*

“The aim of our charge is love that issues from
a pure heart and a good conscience and a
sincere faith.”
~ *1 Timothy 1:5*

"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres."

1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-7



BE COMPLETELY
humble & gentle;
BE PATIENT,
bearing with one another
in love.
Make every effort to keep
THE UNITY OF THE SPIRIT
through the bond of peace.

Ephesians 4:2-3

FAMILY HIGHLIGHT

So we are doing a new article for the newsletter which will highlight a new family each month! Since I'm the one who makes these newsletters I got nominated to go first:)

My name is Karyn Montgomery. My husband Alex, and I have 5 kids. Reagan is our oldest, he is married to Amanda and they have Oakley (the cutest grandbaby EVER!!) Next we have Adorah who lives in heaven and has for a very long time. Then we have Maison who is 18 and just graduated from Canistota High school. Next is Nevaeh and she is going to be a junior this coming fall and Lilyannah who will be a freshman! We have lived in Canistota since Reagan was 5 months old, so that is about almost 21 years coming up. When we first moved out here we lived in the apartment above the gym.

Alex and I love living in our little town. It has been the best place to raise kids and the community feels just like family! Alex is a truck driver for Johnson Feed Inc. out of Canton SD, and I work here at the Church. I LOVE my church job and love my church family as well. It is an honor and my pleasure to serve alongside all of you.

One of the questions Pastor Jerry asked me was what has been a significant spiritual event in my life? When I was young I would have to say Awanas was a big part for me. I had the little brown vest and I memorized all of the verses and also had a ton of the patches! As I have gotten older, Tres Dias has really impacted me and my walk with Christ. It has really deepened my faith and my relationship with God. Also it has given me a family of women who pray for me and constantly lift me up when I need it. I'm thankful for all of the important people in my life!

Karyn Montgomery



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**To every thing there is a season
 and a time to every purpose
 under the heaven** Ecclesiastes 3:1

SAVE THE DATE!!!!

June 22 - Serve at The Banquet along with Salem and Montrose UMC

June 23 - Presbytery meeting held at our church

June 25 and July 16 Building Project Presentations

July 7 - Bonfire at United Church at 8 pm.

July 16 - Community Worship Service at 10 am @ the Legion

July 17 - Bloodmobile

August 13 - Congregational Meeting about building

August 17 - Canistota School Begins

BONFIRE!
 Music & S'mores



United Church
 July 7 ~ 8-10 pm

**UNITED CHURCH OF
CANISTOTA
"SHARING CHRIST'S
LOVE THROUGH MINIS-
TRY TO OTHERS"
"SHARING THE HOPE
AND PROMISE OF JESUS"
"EXPERIENCING AND
SHARING CHRIST'S PRIN-
CIPALS FOR LIFE"**

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SUMMER BIBLE VERSES

Colossians 3:2 - Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

Teaching Tip: Your material possessions are not important, your spiritual development and growth are key to a happy and content life.

Psalms 74:17 - Thou hast set all the borders of the earth; thou hast made summer and winter.

Teaching Tip: God is creator over everything we see, feel, taste, and smell. He has made the earth and the four seasons, including the summer season.

James 1:17 - Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning.

Teaching Tip: Anything good comes from God, He never changes, but is our source of light and will never be our source for a shadow, turning from God.

Ephesians 4:32 - Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Teaching Tip: Always be kind to each other, whether it's your spouse, child, or stranger. If someone has offended you, forgive them as Christ has forgiven you.

Jeremiah 29:11 - "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Teaching Tip: God has plans FOR YOU, you are not a mistake. He wants you to prosper in all you do, plus, you have hope and a bright future under His direction.

1 Thessalonians 5:18 - In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Teaching Tip: Whatever situation you are in, give thanks to God. Your circumstances are exactly where you should be even if you don't understand. It may have a purpose to teach, admonish, but it's always designed to draw you closer to Him.

1 Corinthians 15:33 - Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.

Teaching Tip: Stay away from those or speak evil things, keep your good manners. If you continue to listen to evil doers, you will easily be deceived and become corrupt like them.

Proverbs 1:7 - The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge; but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Teaching Tip: The only thing to fear is the Lord, once you fear Him, that's when life changes. Your game changing ways will allow you to receive instruction, understand, and gain wisdom.

Romans 1:16 - For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

Teaching Tip: Do not be ashamed of the gospel of Christ as it's powerful and for everyone that believes.

Proverbs 6:6-8 - Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise. 7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, 8 Provideth her meat in the summer, [and] gathereth her food in the harvest.

Key Point: Work hard no matter what you are doing, and do what you are supposed to do whether it's cleaning the toilet, picking up toys, teaching your kids, or running a household.

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