

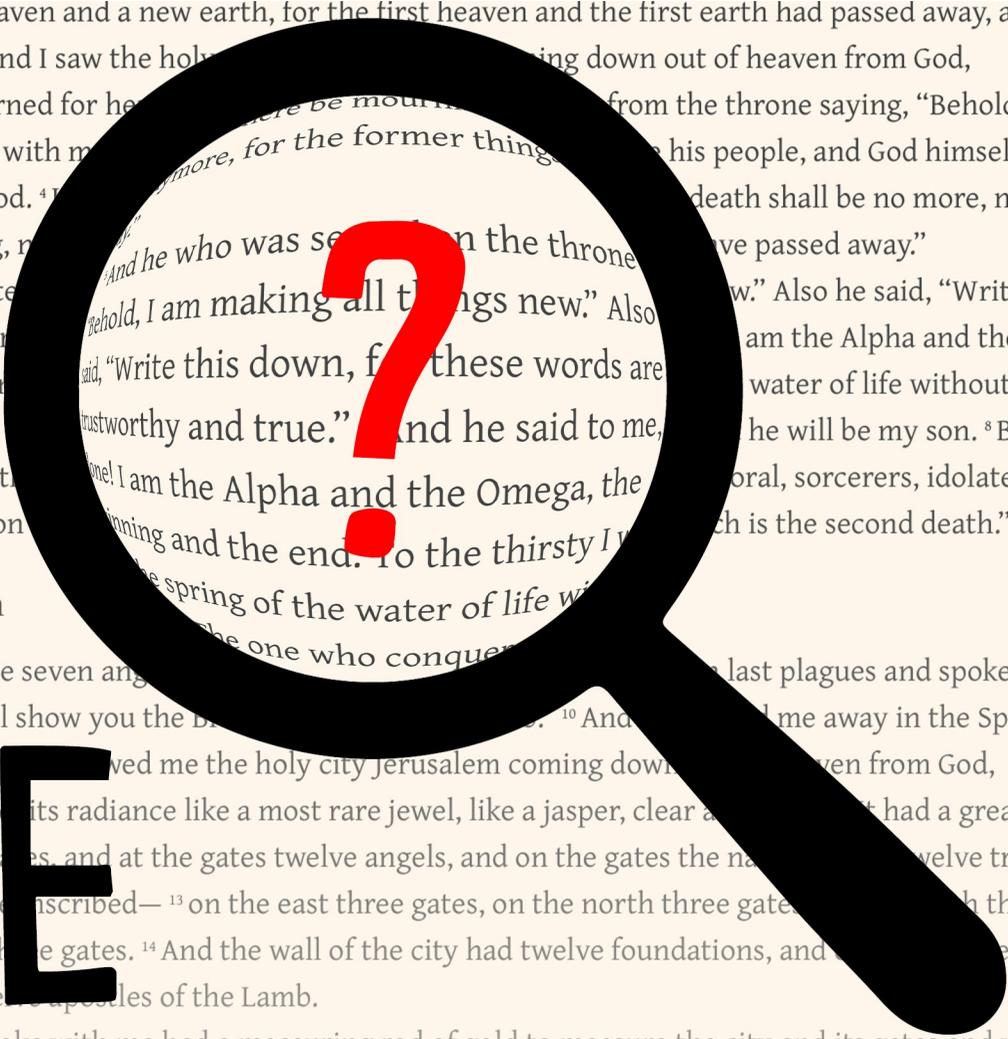
Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ² And I saw the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³ And I heard a voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling of God is with men, and he will dwell with them and be with them and be their God, and they themselves will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be with them. ⁴ Death shall be no more, neither mourning nor crying nor pain shall be any more, for the former things have passed away." ⁵ And the one who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write these things down, for these words are trustworthy and true." And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of the book, for the time is near. ⁶ I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. ⁷ Blessed are those who do the commandments of the book, for they will have the right to the tree of life, and they will enter the city. ⁸ But outside the city are the dogs and the sorcerers and the idolaters and all who love and practice falsehoods, their portion in the book of life is the second death."

The New Jerusalem

⁹ Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the dwelling of God." ¹⁰ And he led me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and he showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down from heaven from God, having the glory of God. Its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. ¹¹ It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed— ¹² on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. ¹³ And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on the foundations the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

¹⁴ And the one who spoke with me had a measuring rod of gold to measure the city and its gates and walls. The city is square, its length the same as its width. ¹⁵ And he measured the city with his rod, 12,000 stadia. Its length and width and height are equal. ¹⁶ He also measured its wall, 144 cubits by human measurement, which is also an angel's measurement. ¹⁷ The wall was built of jasper, while the city was pure gold, like clear glass. ¹⁸ The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with every kind of jewel. The first was jasper, the second sapphire, the third emerald, the fourth turquoise, the fifth chrysolite, the sixth topaz, the seventh chrysoberyl, the eighth beryl, the ninth emerald, the tenth chrysoberyl, the eleventh jacinth, the twelfth amethyst. ¹⁹ And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, transparent like glass.

²⁰ And I saw no temple in the city, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of the city. ²¹ And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and the Lamb is the light of the city. ²² By the gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. ²³ They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations.

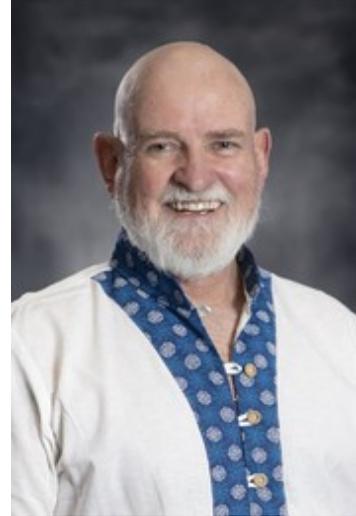


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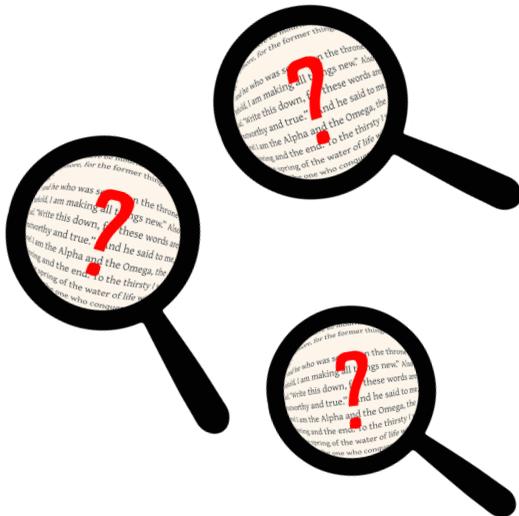
Curiosity is a child-like quality. Children ask questions incessantly, explore the neighborhood in minute detail, and experiment with anything they can lay their hands on. This insatiable curiosity is the gathering of information that is needed to live life. Sadly, we then grow up. Many people outgrow their curiosity about life, thinking that they know everything they need. The fact is that when we are curious, we admit that we do not know everything, and are willing to be open to the Spirit teaching us new things.



This Fall Preaching Series invites us to become curious. We will be looking at moments when Jesus asked questions rather than giving answers. He invited people to think about the assumptions they had made about life, and in this way help them to discover new answers.

I am inviting us to “Be Curious?”

Pastor Pete



“Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.” And I saw the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them and be their people, and God himself will be with them and be their God.” He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor weeping, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

“And he who was seated on the throne said, ‘I am making all things new.’ Also he said, ‘Write this down, for these words are true and certain.’ And he said to me, ‘Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of the book, for the time is near. The one who is thirsty let him come and take the water of life without payment.’ The one who is righteous, let him do so, and the one who is righteous, let him do so. And he said to me, ‘Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of the book, for the time is near. The one who is righteous, let him do so, and the one who is righteous, let him do so.’”

BE CURIOUS

Adult Study Opportunities:

Sunday Mornings

Dr. Murphy's Class: Families of Faith and Dysfunction: Genesis

Families - They can be fun, inspirational, hard, dysfunctional, rewarding, draining, fractured, faithful, and prodigal. The list goes on. Biblical families are no exception; in Genesis, they are *very* human. This is not a 'How to Family' class but instead an honest dive into the social world of 'family' behavior as we explore family narratives in Genesis. It is sure to spark real discussion, deep reflection, and connections between faith and living.

This class will meet from 9:00-9:50 in the church basement.

Sunday Afternoons

Walk to Emmaus Group

If you have been on a 'Walk to Emmaus', you might be interested in joining the 4th Day Emmaus group, now called Cross Works Emmaus. Their focus is to build community within the church. They meet on the third Sunday of the month from 4:30-5:30pm in the church narthex. For more information you may contact Nancy Bohlen at nbohlen@swiftel.net or call the church office at 605-692-4345.

If you have never been on a Walk to Emmaus you might want to consider this event. It can be quite life changing. Here is the link for the forms: <http://dakotaswalk.org/forms/>. You can also find out more about Walk to Emmaus on this website.

Sunday Evenings

Conversations with Pastor Pete: Dying on Purpose

This teaching series deals with the issues of life and death. When it comes to death (and life) we have a choice: we can either allow our dying to creep up unnoticed until we fade away, or we can live life with purpose, and choose to die well. I have entitled this series Dying on Purpose, in the hope that this series will help us to think about death – and living life well.

This series will evoke differences of opinion. Not all Christians see these issues in the same way. These differences are the result of varying experiences in life, the way in which the Bible is read, and strongly held opinions. Our Methodist tradition has

ADULTS

always made space for differences of opinion. Methodist founder, Rev John Wesley, urged tolerance of different opinions. He wrote: “Right opinion is at best but a slender part of religion...and frequently is not a part of religion at all”. I hope this series will teach us all how to “live and let live”. The class will also be available as a podcast at brookingsmethodist.org/podcasts .

September

18 Introduction to Dying on Purpose

25 Abortion

October

2 The Death Penalty

9 Euthanasia

16 Suicide

23 War

30 Life after Death

Mondays

Monday Night Bible Study Group

The group formerly known as the Open Door Single Group is opening it's doors wider to include anyone (not just singles) who would like to meet to do a bible study! They will begin meeting September 19 at 5:15 in the Sr. High Youth Room. They will be meeting the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month.

The first study is entitled “Old Testament Stories from the Backside”. Books will be available the first evening.

Open Door Retired Bible Study Group

If you are in the retired category of life and are interested in being a part of a weekly Bible study, then we have just the group for you!

Starting September 12 at 6:30 the Open Door Retired Bible Study Group will begin meeting in the church basement parlor. The topic is yet to be determined.

Mondays (Cont'd)

SOUL – (Seniors of Unlimited Love)

SOUL is a group of retired people who would meet once a month on the last Monday of the month for a potluck meal. They enjoyed each other's fellowship and food! They didn't have any other agenda than to catch up with each other and enjoy their mutual fellowship.

They of course quit meeting during the pandemic, but if you are interested in joining this group, their first meeting will be Monday, September 26 in the church basement at noon. If you'd like to let Gretchen know if you are interested in attending when you can, you may call the church office or email at education@brookingsmethodist.org. Otherwise you can just show up!

Tuesdays

Movie Night

The Tuesday Movie night is not quite ready to be back to watching movies together yet. Please stay tuned for when they will start up again.

Wednesdays

Adult Manna Study

We will be offering a Wednesday evening adult Manna study from 7:00-8:00pm. We plan to coordinate the theme of the study with the Wednesday evening sermon. This group will meet from 7:00-8:00 in the conference room.

Men's Group

If you would like a place to talk with other guys about faith, family, daily trials, pressures, etc., this men's group just might fit that bill! They are also a group which likes to 'do' as well as. So periodically they will do a service project around the church or wherever needed. For more information contact Gretchen at education@brookingsmethodist.org. They meet from 7:00-8:00 in room 207 in the education building.

Friday

Men's Breakfast

Wanting to have some time with the guys? There is a group of men which meet every Friday morning at Hy-Vee at 6:30 a.m. for breakfast and fellowship. That's it – just fellowship and breakfast and out the door by 7:15! Join them any Friday morning.

Sunday School

Sunday school begins on September 11 from 9:00-9:50am. Our Sunday School classes are offered for ages 2 (age 2 by August 31) through adult.

There is no need to pre-register for Sunday school, but if your child has not attended previously, feel free to contact me so that I can get your child on our class list and the teachers can be prepared to welcome your child.

Those in 2-year-olds – kindergarten need to sign in at a check-in station in the narthex as part of our security system to keep children safe. You will receive a nametag for your child and corresponding tag for the parent which you will need to pick them up.

Downloading the [Church Center app](#) makes check-in even faster!

Be sure to join Sunday school on September 11 at 9:00!

Gretchen Knutson, Education Coordinator

Old Enough to Attend Sunday School?

If you have a 2-year-old (has turned 2 by August 31, 2022), he/she is old enough to attend Sunday school starting this fall! If you have not received an email introducing you to Sunday school, please contact Gretchen at education@brookingsmethodist.org. We would love to have your 2-year-old in Sunday school this fall!

3rd Grade Bibles

Our 3rd graders will receive their Bibles on September 18 during the service. They will be learning about and using their Bible every Sunday this year. Following are the children who will receive their Bibles:

Connor Bohn	Axel Borah	Zane Flemming	Lily Glover
Sydney Hahn	Allison Holbeck	Cooper Hyde	Autumn Merchant
Taiya Merchant	Rylin Schlueter	Libby Vlaminc	

If you have a 3rd grader and do not see your child's name listed, please contact Gretchen ASAP at education@brookingsmethodist.org.

Wednesday School

Not a new program, but a new, fresh, eager face to lead it! I would like to introduce the newest hire in the Education department of the church – Samantha (Sammi) Carney! Sammi will be leading Wednesday School with new ideas, enthusiasm and dedication. Be sure to take advantage of this opportunity for your children to further their Christian education.



Sammi Carney

Wednesday School is a program designed for elementary children to learn what it means to be a part of God's loving family through bible study and group activities. You can find us every Wednesday at 7:00pm in the upstairs 1st/2nd-grade room.

We encourage parents to register their children, but unregistered children are always welcome to participate. We will first meet on September 14th and end with the semester on December 14th. Additionally, we will not meet on November 23rd. For more information on the Pray and Play program, please contact Sammi Carney at wedactivities@brookingsmethodist.org.

Please sign up your children through this link: <https://bit.ly/WEdSchool>

Sammi Carney, Wednesday Activities Coordinator

Chiming Children & Youth Bells

Come join the Chiming Children's and Youth Bells starting on Wednesday, September 14, 2022.

The Chiming Children's (3rd, 4th, & 5th Grades) will meet in the Church Basement from 4:00 pm to 4:45 pm.

The Youth Bells (6th to 12th Grades) will meet in the Church Basement from 5:00 pm to 5:45 pm.

Please contact me with any questions at lsmith2505@yahoo.com or 605-695-2505.

Lynette Smith, Director

Confirmation and High School Youth

Confirmation

Confirmation for the 7th and 8th graders will begin on September 14 with the first evening being an informational meeting for parents and students at 7:00 in the CLC. On September 21, confirmation kids will begin meeting weekly on Wednesday's from 7:00-8:00.

Sr. High Youth Group

The Sr. high youth group (9th-12th) continued to meet during the summer a couple of times and will begin meeting weekly on Wednesdays starting September 14 from 7:00-8:00. The first meeting will be at Tom and Kay Becker's for s'mores and a fire pit fire. The youth council has met and has some fun times planned as well as time for spiritual growth and service.

If you have questions about either of these groups, please contact Gretchen.

Blessing of the Backpacks

On Sunday, September 11 or Wednesday, September 14 you are invited to bring your backpack to church where we will have a special blessing. This includes our SDSU students as well as our elementary, middle school and high school students. Likewise, if you are a teacher and would like to have a backpack blessed, you too are welcome to bring it for the blessing. Be sure to bring your backpack and receive a special tag which will remind you that this church is praying for you all year long!



First On Campus

Fall is already upon us! And with the cooler temps and turning leaves also come students to our SDSU campus; the energy they bring is a gift to our town. First On Campus, our campus organization and ministry, is starting up again as well! We will meet on Wednesday evenings at 7pm in our campus ministry room to share coffee, fellowship, snacks and stories. This fall we will embark on a study of Paul's letter to the Ephesians! Let the young adults in your life know that Brookings First is a place where they can grow in their faith, make lasting friendships and find a welcoming church family. Tell them about us!



Music Notes

It is exciting to be planning for musical groups to return to regular rehearsals this fall! Covid kept us from fully participating musically in church. Now we are ready to bring more folks into the music making that we do as a congregation. I am very interested to know what your interests are and what talents you have vocally or instrumentally that you could share with us. This invitation is open to all ages! Perhaps a family makes music together, solo's, duets, quartets, you name it, I want to hear from you. Feel free to contact me at musiccoordinator@brookingsmethodist.org.

The most wonderful thing about music is that it speaks to us in a variety of ways. Not only are there different styles of music but we use music in worship in a variety of ways. We praise, we lament, we commit ourselves, we sing the story of God, we sing of Jesus great love and sacrifice for humankind, we pray, etc.

Chancel Choir & Worship Team

Ted De Lange is leading both the chancel choir and worship band. High School, college students and adult singers are welcome to participate. To get in touch with Ted you may email music@brookingsmethodist.org.

Jubilee Ringers

The Jubilee Ringers, an adult handbell choir will resume as well. New Ringers are always welcome, even if you haven't rung before. Please contact Brenda Hieb at musiccoordinator@brookingsmethodist.org for more information. The first rehearsal is Tuesday, September 6th at 6:00pm

I hope that many of you are finding renewed joy in singing as a congregation as well as looking to sharing your musical talents more fully in our church.

Start Dates & Times for Music Groups

- 9/6: Jubilee Ringers- 6:00 PM (Church Basement)
- 9/14: Chiming Children- 4:00 -4:45 PM Grades 3 – 5 (Church Basement)
- 9/14: Youth Handbell Choir- 5:00 PM -5:45 PM Grades 6 -12 (Church Basement)

Worship Team meets on Tuesday evenings at 6:45pm (Sanctuary/Comm. Life Ctr)

Chancel Choir meets on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm (Sanctuary)

Brenda Hieb, Music Coordinator

Alzheimer's Support Group

Speaking of Alzheimer's and Dementia, did you know our church parlor is the home for a caregivers' support group? This group is sponsored by the American Alzheimer's Association. We meet every third Wednesday morning of each month from 10am-11am in the parlor. For more information regarding this you can contact me at 605-695-1371.

Lisa Miller

New Day Al-Anon

If a friend or family member has a problem with alcohol, you are welcome to attend the meeting. Al-Anon meets every Tuesday at 5:30-6:30 pm. We use the north door and follow the posted signs. Just in case we move the meeting place. We don't meet if the Brookings schools cancel school. Please contact Sandy Ballou at 605-692-1774 with any questions.

Sandy Ballou

Griefshare Class

We will be offering the Grief Share class led by Lance and Abby Howard beginning in January. Please look for further information in future advertising.



Lance and Abby Howard

Coming Soon: Congregational Care Ministers (CCMs)

This fall BFUMC will be starting a program called Congregational Care Ministers. The ministry of congregational care is the heart of the church as the CCMs work alongside their pastor to provide Christlike care for the church family. Stay tuned for more information!

Joanie Holm, Congregational Care Ministers Coordinator

United Methodist Men

UMM will meet on September 15, October 20, and November 17. We meet on the third Thursday of the month starting at 6:00pm for business meeting, 6:30pm is dinner, and 7:00pm will be a program. UMM helps with Turkey Dinner, Harvest Table on November 28, supports Scout Troop 1 and perform other activities at church. Guests are welcome.



Piecemakers Quilting Group

Up to ten women meet in our church basement usually each month to make quilts. These quilts are gifted to wrap people in our congregational love. These quilts are gifted for baptisms as the church family makes their promise to teach them to grow in Christ's love; to wrap people in brotherly love that need comfort in illness or death of a loved one; to our graduates to remind them that the church family goes with them spiritually as they go out into the world; and to a few Head Start students that are in need of a quilt for their rest time at school. We usually distribute at least 50 quilts each year.

A group of 6 women started to sew and tie quilts each month. They give these quilts to the elderly in our congregation on their birthdays! Many have received a "birthday" quilt.

We could use some more "hands" to help give comfort and joy to our church family. Come for coffee and see what we do! If you would like to join both or either of the groups, please contact the church office, Barb Johnson (605-651-5980) or Judy DeZeeuw (605-690-7564)

New Member Class

We want to start up a new members class! If you are interested in learning more about what it means to be a United Methodist and a member of our church, please contact the church office. We'd love to have you!



United Women in Faith

United Methodist Women is now **United Women in Faith**. The move is part of a refreshing of the organization that includes a new logo and an array of new and improved programs to nurture current members and welcome new women to join to put their love in action on behalf of women, children, and youth. The changes are designed to address the different needs and life stages of current members and new women and expand options for membership and engagement.



United
Women
in Faith

Brookings FUMC has approximately 30 members, and want to welcome anyone who has a heart for caring and sharing. We do visitations to all local Care Facilities and send card greetings to cheer many throughout the year. We offer an excellent reading program with suggestions for timely thought-provoking books. In addition to supporting various missions we routinely donate to back to school needs. We have committed to serving a Harvest Table meal in December.

We will be hosting a salad luncheon on September 18th at 12pm to celebrate getting back together.

Join our Media Ministry and Tech Team!

Help make our online presence possible and enhance our in-person worship experience by joining our Tech Team! Our team has a lot of fun with this unique ministry, and we are looking for more members! You don't have to have any knowledge of audio/video equipment to join, just a positive attitude, a willingness to serve, and a good sense of humor!

We run tech for services but there are also paying opportunities to run special events, weddings, and funerals. If you or someone you know is technically inclined or is just looking for a new way to serve the church, contact Sam at media@brookingsmethodist.org or stop by the sound booth in the church balcony!

September 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 10:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ■ 11:00 AM Church Signage Presentation 	29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 10:00 AM Healthy Movement 	30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 5:00 PM Al-Anon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 8:00 AM TOPS ■ 10:00 AM Healthy ■ 6:00 PM Sunday Signage Presentation
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11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 10:00 AM Sunday Morning Kickoff Worship 	12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 10:00 AM Healthy Movement ■ 5:30 PM SPR Meeting ■ 6:30 PM Open Door Retirees Bible Study ■ 7:00 PM Trustee Meeting 	13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 5:00 PM Al-Anon ■ 6:00 PM Grief Share 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 8:00 AM TOPS ■ 10:00 AM Healthy
18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 10:00 AM Sunday Morning Worship ■ 10:00 AM 3rd Grade Bible Presentation ■ 4:30 PM Cross Work Emmaus 	19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 10:00 AM Healthy Movement ■ 10:00 AM ULC Communion ■ 5:15 PM Monday Night Bible Study group ■ 5:30 PM Finance Committee meeting ■ 6:30 PM Open Door Retirees Bible Study 	20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 1:30 PM CARE Group meeting (church basement) ■ 5:00 PM Al-Anon ■ 6:00 PM Grief Share 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 8:00 AM TOPS ■ 10:00 AM Healthy
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14 y Movement	15 10:00 AM Alzheimer's, Dementia and Care Giving Support Group 10:00 AM Edgewood Vista Commu- nion 10:30 AM Stoneybrook Suites Com- munion	16 6:30 AM Men's Breakfast 10:00 AM Healthy Movement	17
21 y Movement	22 1:00 PM Tie Quilters	23 6:30 AM Men's Breakfast 10:00 AM Healthy Movement	24
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Weekly Worship and Education Opportunities

Sundays: 9:00am Sunday School (Pre-K to Adult)
9:30am Sunday Radio Broadcast (AM 1430 KBRK)
10:00am Sunday Morning Worship

Wednesdays: 5:00pm Free Manna in the Middle Meal
6:00pm Manna in the Middle Worship Service
7:00pm Wednesday School
7th & 8th Grade Confirmation
First on Campus Life Group
Adult Groups

MANNA in the MIDDLE

W E D N E S D A Y S

Community Meal 5-6:00 p.m.
Worship 6-6:45 p.m. • Life Groups

feed your soul

Starting September 14th in
our Community Life Center!

Fall Kickoff Sunday

We are having a Fall celebration! We have made it through Covid-19; and we made it through summer's heat; and we made it through the derecho; and we made it through cutting trees , fixing tiles, repairing roads and we are going to celebrate new beginnings!

You are invited to a FUMC Kick-off event on September 11. We will meet in the Community Life Center. This will be a time of singing some favorite songs, celebrating stories of God's blessings and hearing about our Christmas plans. We will drink coffee, share treats and be joyful together!

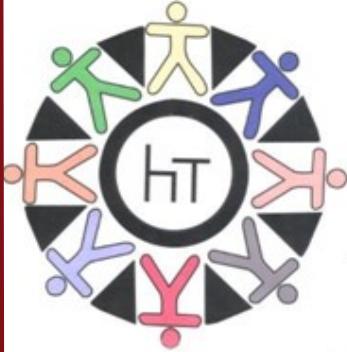
Wednesday Evening Schedule:

4:00pm Chiming Children
5:00pm Youth Bells
5:00pm Manna Meal
6:00pm Manna in the Middle Worship
7:00pm Wed. School (1st-5th graders)
Confirmation
High School Youth Group
Men's Study
Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Adult Manna Study

Pass the Fire.



God is Good.



Harvest Table

Harvest Table is planning to start serving no cost meals again in the Community Life Center on September 12, 2022, and every Monday evening (except the major holidays) from 5:30-6:30pm. If you are a part of an organization, club, church group, neighborhood, friends, family, or any other group, please contact me and I will schedule a date for you to serve. The first available dates to serve are January 2, 23, 30, 2023 and many other dates

in 2023. Your group would be responsible for planning a menu, purchasing the food, preparing the food, serving the meal and cleanup. If you would like additional information, feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your willingness to serve those in our community.

Vonda Kirkham, Harvest Table Director

Upcoming Drive Through Turkey Dinner

Come And Join Us For The Drive-Through Turkey Dinner On September 25, 2022 @ the Community Life Center

Tickets are on sale now. Contact the church office at 605-692-4345 for information. Volunteers are needed to:

purchase a turkey, make salad or pie, setup and meal preparations, serve the meal, and clean up.

Sign up to volunteer starting Sunday, August 28 at the church or at www.brookingsmethodist.org

James Honomichl, Missions Committee



Prayer Chain

The Prayer Chain is active. Please contact Sharon Anderegg at 605-692-4925 with any requests.



Healthy Movement

This activity is an exercise program taking place in the CLC each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 10:00 AM. Participation has been strong since early spring with anywhere from 9 to 15 individuals involved each day. The series of exercises directed toward improving balance and muscle strength is directed by one or more SDSU students who are members of the Exercise Science Club at SDSU. Besides exercising for about 30 minutes, participants have a chance to ask questions and express ideas about the movements or just visit with one another. Anyone is welcome to participate if you have a spare 30 minutes. It is not a strenuous activity, but it could sure make you feel better after the routine!



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