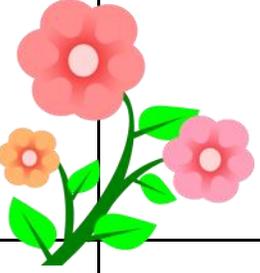
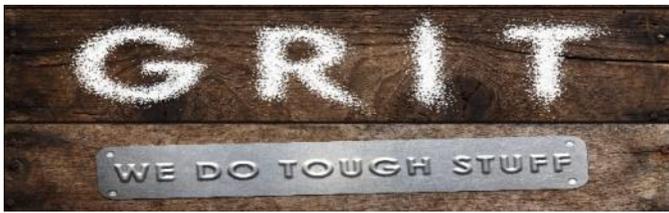


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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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			Week of Hope Mission Trip- Loveland CO			
5 9:30am Worship/Communion Fellowship follows 11:00am Worship Committee meets	6	7 7:00am Men's Breakfast 5:30pm Ed. Committee meets	8	9	10	11 10-5 Kids Karnival @ CCF
			 Custer County Fair			
12 9:30am- 10am Worship 11:00 AM Custer County Fair Parade	13	14 9:30 WELCA	15	16 3-5pm Hermosa/ Community Food Bank open	17	18
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How would you rate your spiritual GRIT?

RISK TRUST COURAGE SURRENDER LOVE

GRIT? What does that have to do with Jesus? Seems a little bit odd for week of serving. We want safety, security, and a smoother path to success! Rather, Jesus bursts into our carefully constructed world and challenges us to trust him in the middle of the swirling mess of life. Rather than rescuing or removing us, Jesus builds GRIT into our lives by challenging us to believe him, especially when we face obstacles that can shift our focus from him and derail us. GRIT is a deep and core characteristic of a faith that faces and overcomes tough challenges, which often hit when we least expect them. Your GRIT grows as you focus on Jesus as the source of life, especially in those moments filled with tough stuff. (from Group's GRIT devotion book for their Week of Hope.)

Hello, from the beautiful foothills of the Rocky Mountains. By the time you read this, we will be almost done with our Week of Hope community service trip in Loveland, Colorado. As odd as GRIT might have seemed to me at first, it is the perfect word to describe the characteristics of faith that I have seen develop in our children (and parents) this past month or so. Risk, trust, courage, surrender and love represent the necessary GRIT we need as followers of Jesus to have the strength needed to face and overcome challenges and obstacles. Spiritual GRIT is fueled by a passion for Jesus and makes us able to endure whatever life throws at us.

So how is your spiritual GRIT? Are you willing to *RISK* failure, embarrassment, being pushed way out of your comfort zone to head out on a week-long trip without your family with you, not knowing for sure what is going to be happening each day? Leave the comforts of your home to travel (for the first time) to another state? Head to Bible camp or on a mission trip for the first time? Gathering with thousands of people to worship God and learn so many new things?

Do you *TRUST* Jesus is with you always and wants the best for you? The word of another adult whom you either barely know or haven't met before? *TRUST* those around you enough to give up control? The Holy Spirit to guide you into an opportunity that allows you to grow and mature in life and faith?

Do you have the *COURAGE* to walk into a room filled with strangers and introduce yourself to those around you? Play games that might embarrass you? Sing new songs before in a loud voice even if you are off-key? Walk into a day care facility for adults with special needs and meet them, interact with them and help wherever needed? Climb a mountain when you are afraid of heights? Go where Jesus calls you to go even if it means taking a step into unfamiliar territory?

Are you able to *SURRENDER* to God all your fears and insecurities? All hopes and expectations? All wants and needs? All sins so that God can work through you to accomplish marvelous things?

How would you respond if Jesus appeared and asked you, "Do you *LOVE* me?" What evidence do you have to offer as proof of this love? Do you have the spiritual GRIT to show this love and share this love with others in tough times as well as joyous times?

This is the spiritual GRIT I have watched blossom in so many children of God in so many ways this summer. From the bottom of my heart, I thank you for all you have done to support our children and youth and me this summer. Your support has made a difference in our lives.

Pastor Deb





“All are Welcome” – Our invitation can reflect the hospitality of Jesus.

WELCA will meet on August 14th in the church fellowship hall beginning at 9:30 AM. We begin the morning with our Bible study which is out of our women’s magazine, “Gather”. There are extra copies of this magazine in the church office. The study for August is *“Let us pray”*; *Session three: The products of prayer.*

Romans 8:26-28 is our theme.

Pastor Deb will lead our study.

After our bible study we will have a short business meeting. This is going to be a potluck get-together. After the business meeting we will spend some time cleaning the kitchen.

All women are invited to join us each month to spend a morning to learn about the bible and to enjoy time with friends.

Bear Butte Conference Women of the ELCA Fall Gathering

“Grow Joyfully”

For you should go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into sound and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Isaiah 55:12

**Friday September 7th and Saturday September 8th
Registration at 4:00pm
Outlaw Ranch in the Beautiful Black Hills**

Main Speaker Kari Webb

Housing Preference Fees (include 3 meals):

Lodge \$64.00

Barn \$61.00

Cabins \$54.50

Commuter Rate (if not staying at camp) \$38.50

A special offering will be taken at the afternoon communion service for Outlaw Ranch. Registration forms can be found in the church office. Form and non-refundable deposit of \$5.00 is due by September 1st. Checks payable to *WELCA Bear Butte Conference*. Remaining costs for lodging are due when you arrive at camp.

Come to relax, rejuvenate and grow joyfully.



**August
7th and 21st**

All men are invited to gather for food and fellowship at the **Men's Breakfast** every other Tuesday morning at **7:00am.** We will either meet at OSL or the Flying J



Custer County School District
August 22nd



August 26th



**HERMOSA/FAIRBURN
COMMUNITY
FOOD BANK**



**OPEN Thursday,
August 16th
3:00-5:00pm**

*Located at Heartland Hair
300 E Main St. Hermosa*
For information please contact Lois at
255-5299.



It's that time of year again!

One of the fun events at the Custer County Fair in Hermosa August 9-12 is a free Bar-B-Q Supper from 5:00-6:30 on Friday, Aug. 10. This is sponsored by Custer State Park and First Interstate Bank in Custer, who pay Our Savior's WELCA to prepare the meat. Volunteers are needed to help COOK THE BUFFALO FOR THE BAR-B-Q. This is one of the fundraisers which support the ministries and missions of the WELCA. Buffalo roasts will be available by July 29 in the refrigerators at church. If you can help cook the meat, cut it up, shred it, and bring it back to church by Thursday, Aug. 9, please pick up a roast or two. (Directions for cooking the meat, bags to roast it in and zip lock bags for the prepared meat will be available at church.) Also, if you would like to help get the meat simmering in the bar-b-q sauce, you are welcome to meet us Hermosa School at 9am Friday, Aug. 10. ALL HELP WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. Call Joy at 255-4212 for more information.

Treasurer's Report

Date Attendance Offering

<i>Date</i>	<i>Attendance</i>	<i>Offering</i>
July 1	52	\$1803
July 8	100	\$2264
July 15	50	\$1365
July 22	57	\$1735
July 29	45	\$575
Averages	60	\$1548

July's 'Mission of the Month' giving totaled **\$644** in monetary donations for 'Lutheran/Lakota Job Corps.' Thank you OSL for your generosity!

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August

CARE & SERVE TEAM!

Marlene Dickchat
Scott, Emily, Cody and Mason Dirkes
Wyone Leonard
Stan and Joy Neugebauer

September

CARE & SERVE TEAM!

Karen Lescarboursa
Chris and Becky Lowe & Family
Gloria Olawsky
Bob and Peg Tesch
Dan and Shelly Martin

THANK YOU!!!

Thank you to the Worship Committee and everyone who helped with Sunday worship services while Pastor Deb was away on faith formation trips.

We have a great congregation!

The logo for 'OPEN HOUSE' features the words in large, bold, blue letters with a geometric, faceted design.

**D.O.G. NIGHT
(DISCIPLES OF GOD)**

DOG Night – Open House
Wednesday, August 29th
3:30-6:00 pm

Come on in and explore the church, visit with Pastor Deb and Education Committee members, register for DOG Night and have a treat before heading home.

First official D.O.G. Night will be
September 12
(5:15 – 7:00 pm)

Where faith becomes life

Lutherans Outdoors Bible Summer Camps 2018



This Changes Everything

A report from their week at Outlaw Ranch or NeSoDak from our Bible Campers

“Swimming and horses. Counselors and friends. Songs sung at worship and GaGa Ball. Kayaking and food. CAMP! These are a few of our favorite things.” This is what you will hear if you visit with any of our 2018 Bible campers. Desiree Etherington and Rylan Lowe spent a week at Outlaw Ranch while Jaydin Borden, Jade Short Horn, Tessa Audiss, Rylee Linz, Kayl Roe, Torin Knight and Pastor Deb spent a week at NeSoDak in July. The theme for 2018 was *This Changes Everything* and Bible study and worship focused on what the *THIS* is that changes everything as a follower of Christ.

What did the campers learn about God while they were at camp? Well, more than they probably realized. However, they did report they learned or heard again Jesus loves them no matter what. Jesus died for them. People weren't listening to Jesus and that Pilate didn't really want to kill Jesus because Jesus didn't do anything wrong. Some were surprised to read about Lot's wife being turned into a pillar of salt. And did you know that Jesus compared a woman to a dog?!

Learning new things about God wasn't the only learning taking place. They also learned new things about themselves. They found out they could do things they didn't think they could do like pass the swim test, stay on a paddle board, maneuver a kayak or canoe and catch a crawdad with a string, hook and a little bait. Some also weren't sure they would make any new friends but by the end of the week their friends and counselors were what (who) they were going to miss most about camp.

Of the eight campers, six attended camp for the first year. All were able to do so because of the financial support, prayers and encouragement of this community. Thank you so much for taking seriously the promises you made at their baptisms to help them grow in faith. Plans are already underway to head back to camp next summer!

Pastor Deb



Custer County Fair August 9th-12th

2018 Kids Karnival



Schedule

THURSDAY

12pm-6pm 4-H interview judging
2pm-7pm Enter open class-excluding livestock, rabbits, poultry and crops
5pm Fair kick-off supper
7pm Barnyard Olympics

FRIDAY

8:30am Horse judging begins
11:00am Poultry and rabbit showmanship
11:30-4pm Fine Arts and Horticulture buildings
Closed to public for judging
12:00-7pm Black Hills Paintball & NS Inflatables
1:00pm Poultry and Rabbit Judging
4:00pm Kinda Corkie Wine Garden
5:00-6:30 Bar BBQ Dinner
7:00pm Ranch Rodeo and 'Ride for the Brand'
Ranch Bronc Ride
9:00-Midnight Live Music by "Feedback"

SATURDAY

9:00am Ranch Sort
9:00am 4-H Open Class Swine Judging
10:00am-5:00 Kids Karnival
9:30am 4-H Open class sheep/goat judging
10:00am Good Old Driving Days registration
10:30am 4-H Open class dairy cattle judging and 4-H beef showmanship
11:00am Good Old Driving Days grand entry
12:00pm PeeWee Stock Show
12:00-7pm BH Paintball and NS Inflatables
1:00pm Kinda Corkie Wine Garden
1:30pm BBQ Judging and tasting
3-7pm Live Music
4-7:30pm American Legion Beers and Ears
7pm Custer County Classic Bull Riding
7-11pm Family Dance - 4-H Building
9-Midnight Live Music with Kenny Fielder and the Cowboy Killers

SUNDAY

8-10am Pancake Breakfast
9:30am Custer County Country Church Service
11am Parade
11am Kinda Corkie Wine Garden
12-3pm Annual Car Show
1pm Ice Cream Crankoff and Play Day Starts
1pm Horse shoe tournament
1:30pm BH in Motion Cloggers

At the Custer County Fair
Saturday, August 11th
10am to 5 pm

Tickets- \$.50 each/3 for \$1

Bouncy House - \$1 per turn/\$5 unlimited

Fun and Games for ALL AGES!

Youth and Adults needed to volunteer. Contact Pastor Deb to sign up for a shift!

****Sponsored by the OSL Community Youth Group****



YOU ARE INVITED!

Kids, youth and adults are needed to help with and/or ride on the Our Savior's Lutheran Church float in the Custer County Fair parade this year. Please contact Pastor Deb or Josie in the church office to sign up.



Custer County Community Church Service will be held at the Fairgrounds Sunday, August 12th at 9:30am.

WE WILL ALSO BE HAVING WORSHIP THAT MORNING AT OSL FROM 9:30-10AM.

July Church Council Meeting Highlights

July 8, 2018

Members Present: Gloria Olawsky, Wyone Leonard, Butch Rudd, Rodney Clark, and Mike Baschnagel

Others Present: Larry VanDreissen and Pastor Deb

Treasurer's Report: Mike went through the balance sheets for the month and questions were answered. Mike gave the Council an update on the amount of pledges collected thus far for the parsonage project.

Church Phone Messages

Options were discussed to be able to receive phone messages remotely if Josie and Pastor Deb are both out of the office.

Propane Pre-Buy

Butch volunteered to investigate propane pre-buy options for winter and will discuss in August meeting.

Synod Survey

The Council completed the Synod survey for the 2019 election of Bishop. Pastor Deb encouraged all members to also complete the survey as individuals.

Collaborating – Work of committees that is vital for council to know

1. Mission Committee – Reported by Wyone

July's Mission of the Month will be the "Lutheran/Lakota Job Corp."

2. Worship Committee – Reported by Pastor Deb

The Worship Committee planned for the Sundays that Pastor Deb will be out of the church at camps and retreats.

3. Education Committee – Reported by Pastor Deb and Gloria

VBS was a huge success with an average of 70+ kids each day. The VBS curriculum has been lent out to 3 other congregations.

4. Youth Committee – Reported by Gloria

The youth are back from the ELCA Youth Gathering and others are preparing for servant camps and Bible camps. It is inspirational to see how the Spirit is working and our youth are blossoming as they grow in faith.

5. Outreach Committee – Reported by Rodney

Nothing to report at this time.

6. Property Committee – Reported by Butch and Committee Chair Stan Neugebauer

The parsonage project is on-going. There have been some additional supplies needed/purchased. Council asked Stan to push the contractor for a completion date. Salvaged windows were donated to ReStore in support of Habitat for Humanity.

7. Pastor Deb's Report

Thank you to the congregation and the Council for the support...for sharing the ministry...for financial support for our youth...The new windows are making a noticeable difference in the parsonage.



Blessing of the Bags

IT'S BACK TO SCHOOL TIME!
We will have a special *Blessing of the Bags* on August 5th during our morning worship. All students, whether entering school for the first time, headed back to college, or anywhere between, and all teachers and school staff, please bring a backpack, briefcase etc and come for a special blessing as you begin the new school year.



Preparations are underway for OSL's 60th Anniversary! And we need your help! We are in need of older photos that anyone might have from events that took place at OSL, such as weddings, baptisms and fellowship time. If you have photos you would like to share, they can be emailed to osl@mt-rusmore.net in a jpeg format, or you can label them with your name and give them to Joy. Thank you in advance for your help in creating an awesome slideshow of OSL through the years!



LET US PRAY

Praying for one another is vital to our community of faith and part of being a member of the priesthood of all believers. If you or a family member wishes to be included in this printed prayer list, please contact Josie in the church office.

We pray for the comfort and strength for those who have recently lost loved ones, especially the friends and family of:

Marlys LeFevre

We pray for the health and healing of those ill or hospitalized and their caregivers:

Shelby Lillebo
Jeyapaul
Jon Hall
Esther Downen
Joan (Aunt of Tammy Dennert)
Jeff (Friend of Bill and Tammy Dennert)
Marion Kelly
Katie Swanson (Friend of Mike and Diana Baschnagel)
Cindy Twitero (sister-in-law of Mikkey)
Joyce Thompson (sister of John and Bruce Sunding)
Todd Ennen

We pray for those with ongoing concerns:

Don Aduddell
Bernie Quaschnick
Dennis Hempler (brother of Dixie Clark)



A volksmarch will be held on the new hiking/biking trail at Outlaw Ranch at Custer on Saturday, September 1st sponsored by the Black Hills Volkssport Club. You can

register anytime between 8 am and 12 noon in front of the Outlaw office building. Families and individuals of all ages are welcome. Cost is \$3 per walker and you must finish by 3 pm. The walk goes through parts of Outlaw's property that was seldom used. For more information contact Pastor Duane Neugebauer at 303-489-9313 or e-mail him at donman1948@gmail.com.



Chelle Schefcik

Chelle and her family live in Hermosa and are members of OSL. Chelle was born with severe deformities of her arms and spine.

In spite of the challenges she faced, with much faith and determination (and according to her grandpa, “orneriness,”) she



managed a career, home, family, and an active lifestyle. Over time, her condition deteriorated and complications arose. At age 41, Chelle has spent years going to doctors and searching for someone who qualified to perform experimental surgery. Finally a research team at the University of Colorado agreed to take her case. After spending three months in bed, Chelle went to Colorado for extensive experimental surgery, during which one of her lungs collapsed, among other challenges. She is now recovering from that, and heading back to Denver August 28 to meet with a new team of doctors to discuss the possibility of another experimental surgery an her degenerated shoulder.

Chelle has a wonderful, positive attitude and has always watched for life lessons along the way, determined to recognize the blessings within the burdens. She is very thankful for all the blessings in her life, including her faith in God and her family and friends, and she is hopeful that the research being done on her will be helpful to others in the future.

Please support the Chelle and her family with your prayers during this long and challenging recovery. To contribute financially with her enormous medical bills, please drop your donation in the Globe offering, the Mission Donation Box in the fellowship hall or in the offering plate. Please write checks to Our Savior’s with “Mission” in the memo line.



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Worship Sundays 9:30am
Fellowship follows
Communion 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month

Our Mission: “We invite, encourage, educate and empower all people to follow God and serve others.”