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Towards a New Solidarity

Taizé. In France. In Finland. In Rome.
And now in Pine Ridge.

We've heard about Taizé. Most of us probably have a general idea about what it is and does. And that Pine Ridge is one stop of the ecumenical community's 30-year, worldwide "Pilgrimage of Trust."

Imagine hundreds of young people sitting together on the beautiful land around Red Shirt Table singing and praying together. Listening and speaking to others. Sharing and learning. It can be life-altering.

USD Student Ross Miller writes: "Taizé has shaped me by practicing the philosophy of clarity through simplicity. Instead of attempting to compete with our busy world, Taizé juxtaposes itself by slowing everything down to put things back in perspective. Short, repetitive song and prayer, and an extended time of silence all intend to let the individual find their own place with God, and there is a healthy balance of guidance, and room created to develop that relationship.

"Young people need religion to trust in their ability to develop their own answers. Taizé does this before you can even make a first impression. Taizé did not create anything, it recreated everything. Song and prayer come in as many languages that meet the community to practice the simple notion that we are all God's people."

(11/29/12 Taizé Pine Ridge Newsletter)

Now imagine what kind of preparation has to go into planning such an event. Where does everyone sleep? How are they all fed? What about personal hygiene?

Many people spend long hours before an event like this and behind the scenes so that the young people can have this experience. Some excerpts from the Taizé Pine Ridge newsletter and the Taizé website can give you an idea of some of what happens beforehand.

LEADERSHIP RETREAT

SAVE THE DATE: 1/8/2012

On Tuesday, 8 January 2013, young adults and leaders from across the Upper Midwest will descend on the Young Adult Intentional Community in Mission, SD to take part in a leadership retreat to prepare for Taizé Pine Ridge 2013.



The main planning meeting will take place 11:30 am-2:00 pm on Tuesday.

However, they are free to come the night before (Monday 1/7) to share in a community supper and special Taizé prayer service, and then group Bible study

and fellowship the following morning.

If you are helping with the preparation for Pine Ridge in May, please, *please*, **please** do everything you can to make it to at least the midday meeting on Tuesday 1/8!!! We have specifically timed this retreat to be drivable in a day from any point in South

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Grace and Peace to you . . .

A little over two weeks ago twenty first graders and six school personnel were shot and killed by a 20 year old carrying two hand guns and a semiautomatic rifle at the Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut. This tragedy left the community and our Nation stunned. In the midst of these horrific events the people turned to the churches in their communities. They went to the church, they prayed, they cried, they listened to scripture and they comforted each other. I think they also went to the church because they knew that we (the body of Christ) would go with them as they walked through the valley of the shadow of death.

On September 11, 2001 tens of thousands of people also turned to the church for some sense of strength and stability at a time of National chaos. In ways I don't believe many may have understood, they just wanted to get close to Jesus because they knew he had been down this road before. The road of fear, uncertainty, and death has been one well traveled by Jesus and his disciples (the church) over the centuries. During WWII even atheist Joseph Stalin turned to the church for prayers and relaxed his persecution of religion.

Recently, I read an article that said that for many the church was no longer "relevant" in their lives. Many church leaders in recent years have worked hard to make the church "relevant" again. This is a great temptation as Henri Nouwen* describes in his book In the Name of Jesus. I read this book every year or so to help stay grounded. Nouwen says that one of the great temptations we face as church leaders is to think we need to be "relevant." He suggests that this was the temptation Jesus faced in the desert when he was told he could prove himself if he turned stones into bread.



The Rt. Rev. John Tarrant

Nouwen says, "The Christian leader of the future is the one who truly knows the heart of God as it has become flesh, 'a heart of flesh,' in Jesus. Knowing God's heart means consistently, radically, and very concretely to announce and reveal that God is love and only love, and that every time fear, isolation, or despair begin to invade the human soul this is not something that comes from God." Our calling is to let people know that they are loved without conditions or limits. And we do this simply as the evangelist John says, "Let us love, because God loved us first." *1 John 4:19*

People who come to the Church in times of crisis or when their lives seem to be falling apart are looking to be loved. They seek love in the midst of confusion and brokenness; in the midst of doubt and despair. The one thing that the church can give, that the world cannot give, is a love that knows no bounds. This is the great gift we have to offer and it is more than enough. When we live out of God's heart then neither we nor the church has anything to fear, not even death.

*Henri Nouwen is a Dutch born Roman Catholic priest, teacher, and writer who lived and served in a community for the mentally disabled the last years of his life. He died unexpectedly in 1996 at the age of 64.

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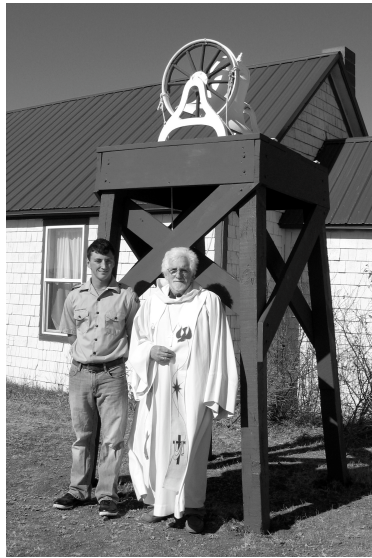


Bell & Tower Restored

On Sunday, October 21, Father Stan Woolley rededicated the bell and tower at **Holy Spirit Episcopal Church** in Ideal, SD.

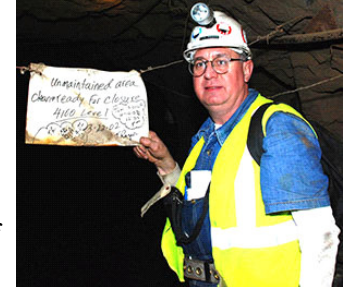
Brandon Middlesworth refurbished the tower and bell for his Eagle Scout Project.

Brandon is a parishioner at Trinity Episcopal Church in Winner. Funds for the project were donated by Suzie Clemishire from Albany, NY; Trinity Episcopal Church, Winner; and Trinity Episcopal Church ECW.



LEAD — Sanford Lab Safety Officer Tom Regan can sit down with a blank sheet of paper and completely map out any given level of the underground lab.

He knows every drift, every feature, every working system. He knows every hazard, every nook and every cranny of every level of the 8,000-foot former Homestake gold mine.



In fact, Regan said he still has dreams of walking the drifts of the underground Sanford Lab. Those dreams are not likely to subside, Regan said, after he officially retires from the lab on Nov. 2 — exactly 43 years after he started working for Homestake as a student laborer on Nov. 2, 1969.

Regan, who began his work for Homestake working nights while he attended school full time at Black Hills State University, has worn many hats at the facility. Starting as a student laborer, he has been an underground laborer, a locomotive operator, a miner, heavy equipment operator, and a scheduler. He also planned special projects for the mining company, including the sinking of No. 4 and 6 winze, the installation of the 6,950-foot level ventilation plant, and other projects that were associated with deepening the 8,000-foot gold mine beyond 6,800 feet. Later in his career he was the mine services planner, taking care of all the underground work that was not directly associated with mining, such as construction, sand, locomotive haulage, and backfilling.

In 1998 when Homestake began laying off workers, Regan was retained to help with the mine optimization program, working on ways to consolidate mining areas. Afterward, he served as the underground haulage foreman for a few years, moving all of the rock that was mined to the shafts, as well as rock from the Open Cut and the Tramway haulage. In 2000, when Homestake merged with Barrick Gold Corp., Regan was severed from Homestake. But the next week he was back once again, this

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Raffle winners announced

Thank you to everyone who participated so generously in Spearfish and at the Diocesan Convention in the raffle for the afghans, and thank you especially to Nancy Hardin and Phyllis Wipf for crocheting and knitting them! Julianne Zoller of All Angels, Spearfish, won the tan afghan and Erin Rath of Calvary Cathedral, Sioux Falls, won the multi-colored afghan. The benefit brought in over two hundred dollars, half of which Trinity Guild donated to the Thunderhead Camp Alleluia Fund.

Thank you,
Holly

A Deacon with a gold mine of knowledge

*Excerpts from an article by Wendy Pitlick,
Black Hills Pioneer | October 29, 2012*

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time as a consultant, hired to do the underground closure and cleanup work. Even while closing, there was the vision that the mine would be something else in the future, and they worked to maintain as much of the equipment as they could.

In addition to closing the mine, Regan and many others also worked with the state to help establish the SD Science and Technology Authority, which would eventually secure the former Homestake Gold Mine property for development into a federal underground laboratory. In this capacity, Regan acted as a consultant to create the safety plan for the re-entry of the mine, as well as to write the safety manual. When the SD Science and Technology Authority was established, Regan was the 12th employee hired for the team.

Since that time, Regan has acted as the safety officer for the Sanford Lab, a job he takes very seriously as he has tirelessly worked to establish relationships with area agencies to ensure the highest levels of safety at the lab. Some of his key accomplishments, he said, have been refurbishing major infrastructure at the lab, including the Ross Shaft; establishing a world-class emergency response and mine rescue training program; creating an environment for a helicopter landing in the Yates parking lot for emergency medical evacuation; and working to establish a relationship with the 82nd Civil Support team of the SD Army National Guard.

After all of that, Regan said, it's time to move on.



Though Regan said he doesn't have any specific plans for retirement, he said he is looking forward to pursuing other possibilities — including be-

coming more active in his church, where he is an ordained Episcopal Deacon. But don't look for him to relax too much, as Regan said he still plans to work with the lab as a consulting, temporary employee.

Overall, Regan said he is very proud to have been involved in the gold mine's 126-year history, and part of building the Sanford Lab's bright future.

"Every time I go underground it is just such an honor to be part of this project," he said. "We mined almost 126 years. A lot of good things have happened in this community because of this mine and a lot has been taken out of this good earth. Now our generation has the opportunity to get back into the underground and provide value for the future. Now we can give back to this great Black Hills. That is kind of a personal agenda."



Madison church helps Sandy victims

Grace Church, Madison recently raised \$304.00 in a teddy bear raffle for the Hurricane Sandy Relief Fund. The winner of the teddy bear requested that the actual teddy bear go with the check to be given to a child who lost all in the storm.

Rapid City Church wins Lilly Grant

St. Andrew's Rapid City has received a grant of \$50,000 to enable its minister, **The Rev. Kathy Monson Lutes**, to participate in the 2012 National Clergy Renewal Program funded by the Indianapolis-based Lilly Endowment Inc. It is one of 147 congregations across the country that will support their ministers in the program which allows pastors to step back from their busy lives and renew their spirits for the benefit of their ongoing ministries.



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Now in its 13th year, the program invites Christian congregations and ministers to plan a period of intentional reflection and renewal. It gives ministers time to take a break from their daily obligations and gain the fresh perspective and renewed energy that a carefully considered “sabbath time” of travel, study, rest and prayer can provide.

Through this program, Christian congregations apply for grants of up to \$50,000 to support a renewal program for their pastors. Working with their congregations, the ministers design their renewal programs to fit their own needs and aspirations. Pastors are encouraged to include their families in the renewal activities. Up to \$15,000 of the grant may be used for the congregation to pay for interim pastoral leadership while the pastor is away, as well as for renewal activities within the congregation. 1,745 congregations have participated in the clergy renewal program since it began in 2000, including the 147 congregations in this round that received grants totaling nearly \$6.5 million.

St. Andrew's will engage in a time of renewing their roots, hopefully bringing a clergy person from England for a month. Rev. Kathy and her family will renew their roots while traveling and visiting with relatives in Norway. Kathy and Rick will then continue through Europe as they renew their relationship. Kathy will stay on in England for a time of reflection, finishing with a week at Taizé.

“Time and time again we hear that these renewal experiences are transformative for pastors, their families and their congregations,” said N. Clay Robbins, the Endowment’s president and CEO. “We intend for this program to enable pastors to live for a while at a different pace and in a new environment, in Sabbath time and space. Many pastors and their families return with a rich store of shared memories, having had large blocks of unbroken time together, uninterrupted by the 24-hour-a-day routine of the ministry.

“The wealth of imagination unleashed by this program is truly wonderful to see,” he said. “We can think of no better way to honor these hardworking, faithful men and women than to help them experience personal growth and spiritual renewal in ways that they themselves design and find meaningful.”

Interim assigned to Rosebud Mission

Pastor Daryl Schubert (ELCA) began serving the Rosebud Episcopal Mission as Interim Pastor beginning December 1, 2012.

Pastor Schubert was born in Australia, growing up on a dairy farm in South Australia. He married Jane Sandager of Hills, Minnesota, having met her while in Papua, New Guinea. They have two children - Clare, age 18, and Isaac, age 16. They have enjoyed being a kind of "mini United Nations", as Clare was born in China and Isaac in South Korea.

From 2006 until Nov. 15, 2012, he has served as Senior Pastor at St. John Lutheran Church, Madison, SD. Previously he served in Papua, New Guinea, Platte, SD, and Shinyanga, Tanzania.

Spearfish youth serve community



As a service project, the **Church of All Angels** Middle School Youth recently participated in a chili cook-off fundraiser for the Northern Hills Training Center. NHTC is a local Community Service Provider for people who have developmental disabilities.

Our middle schoolers won the prize for the best presentation. They chose a Halloween theme with white chili, mummy cupcakes, ghost cookies and lollipops, along with sour cream, ghost shaped tortillas and mozzarella cheese. They cooked the chili, decorated the cupcakes, cookies and lollipops, made all the decorations for their booth, and served at the event.

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Dakota. and to be finished before most SD colleges and universities start classes.

If you are planning on attending, RSVP to Mikayla.Dunfee@gmail.com. Even if you think we know you're coming, RSVP anyway! This is especially important for those who plan to stay the night on Monday, so we can determine how many beds to have ready and how much food to prepare.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS get involved:

The United Church of Christ in Vermillion hosted a Taizé event for high schoolers in December to learn how they can be involved at the gathering on Pine Ridge in May. They met for a simple meal at the UCC and then walked “as a group to Danforth Chapel for prayer with the USD Taizé community. It [was] an Advent blowout: extra songs, incense, more candles than you can count, readings in multiple languages, psalms, the works!”

High schoolers came from Lower Brule, Watertown, Sioux Falls, Yankton, and Vermillion.

Steve Miller at taizepineridge2013@uccvermillion.org is the contact leader for high school students interested in Taizé.

AND FUNDRAISING!

Our fundraising efforts for Taizé Pine Ridge have kicked off, with donations coming in from across the country!! If you have given, please accept our humblest thanks for helping make this meeting happen. Your contribution will be used to cover travel expenses, hospitality, and program and logistics costs. If you have not yet given, we thank you for all your non-monetary help, and ask you if you are able to please make a donation this holiday season. Donations are tax-deductible and accepted through the Episcopal Diocese of South Dakota: <https://www.diocesesd.org/donations/>.

And keep your eyes open for our Adopt-a-Porta-Potty campaign this spring! ;)

REGISTRATION

South Dakota RESIDENTS – you may register for Taizé Pine Ridge on the diocesan website. There are separate registrations for SD RESIDENTS and for SD HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS. These and other information can be found at www.diocese.org under Youth Ministry.

Direct links -

SD Residents: <https://www.diocesesd.org/youth-ministry/pine-ridge-taize/taize-pine-ridge-south-dakota-resident/>

High School: <https://www.diocesesd.org/youth-ministry/pine-ridge-taize/taize-pine-ridge-high-school-registration/>

Registration fees may be paid online using the diocesan website donation/payment option. <https://www.diocesesd.org/donations/>



Pine Ridge 2013

PRACTICAL INFORMATION*

Dates: Plan to arrive after noon on Friday, May 24, 2013 and leave after noon on Monday, May 27, 2013. If you are interested in arriving earlier to help with preparations and welcome, contact the welcome team.

Place: Red Shirt, a locality on the Pine Ridge Oglala Lakota Indian Reservation in South Dakota.

Age: The gathering is meant for young adults between the ages of 18 and 35. Because of the particular conditions of the meeting, we cannot offer accommodation to minors, and can only welcome adults over 35 if they are leading a group of people under 21. *(High schoolers from SD are welcome in groups. Contact Steve Miller. ▼)*

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Accommodation: Participants will be camping in tents at the site of the meeting. If you are traveling from a great distance and unable to bring your own tent, please note that on your registration and we will find space for you. Simple meals will be provided.

Costs: We ask for a contribution of \$50 per participant. If that is a hardship for you, please note that on your registration. We will also have a solidarity fund to accept contributions so we can welcome as many people as possible. Your contribution covers meals, local transportation, the hire and equipping of the meeting places and other costs of the meeting. It does not cover costs of transportation to the meeting itself.

Registration: Online registration will be possible from 1 January 2013. Group leaders should register as early as possible with an initial estimate of the number they will be bringing. Further details can be added as young people sign up.

Registration deadline:
30 April 2013.

Program

Friday, May 24

Arrival and welcome
Supper and opening Evening Prayer
Fellowship

Saturday, May 25

Morning Prayer, breakfast
Bible introduction with a Brother,
small-group discussion
Noonday Prayer, lunch
Song practice, volunteering
Workshops/Art Show
Supper, Evening Prayer, fellowship

Sunday, May 26

Worship at churches on Pine Ridge,
breakfast at churches
Silent Prayer for healing at a sacred site
Small-group discussion
Supper and Evening Prayer, fellowship

Monday, May 27

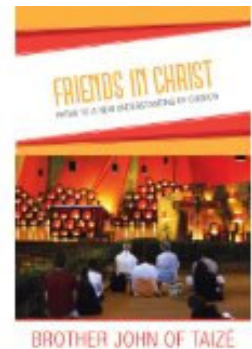
Morning Prayer, breakfast
Bible Introduction with a Brother
Regional meetings
Goodbye and Final Prayer
Departure

Theme: Towards a New Solidarity

* Last updated: 31 October 2012

Vermillion book group reads Brother John's *Friends in Christ*

For the past four weeks, a small group has been meeting at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Vermillion, SD to discuss the book, *Friends in Christ*, by Brother John of Taizé. The focus of the book is to better understand what the community and service of Taizé is, what inspired its formation, what has kept it sustained, and why young people are so drawn to the concept. Brother John covers in depth this notion of being "friends in Christ," a topic that seems quite innocuous and simple at first, but quickly becomes quite tricky in terms of practice.



Our group has discussed such topics as what it means to be a friend to someone you don't particularly like, if churches are really made up of friends, and how God operates through or works to inspire these types of relationships. These discussions have been enlightening in particular as we focus on our trip to the Pine Ridge reservation this May.

The Taizé approach is simply to arrive and behave as friends. This means not as a church, not as missionaries, not as those that hold the truth, but simply as friends that care. To be friends that are able to just be present and listen. To be friends that are able to understand and discuss the issues of the day without pretending to have an immediate solution.

It revealed to us why this approach is so powerful in its simplicity. If you don't really understand what

Taizé is, which I did not prior to this reading group, this is a nice short introductory book that can put you on the path to this way of understanding.

--Dr. Jake Kerby is an Assistant Professor of Biology at the University of South Dakota
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Pilgrimage of trust in the USA

Taizé in the Far West

From http://www.taize.fr/en_article14640.html

On May 24th through 27th, 2013, a new stage in the “pilgrimage of trust on earth” will be held in the “Far West” of the United States. It will take place in Red Shirt, South Dakota, a tiny village at the edge of the Badlands on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. The outdoor gathering will include meditative prayer together three times a day, Bible study, workshops, small group sharing, and meals together, provided by the local Lakota people. The event is meant for young people aged 18-35, a voice rarely heard in the church or in society.

The current friendship between Taizé and South Dakota began in 2009, when a group of university students from the state, including two young Lakota men, came to Taizé. This was one of the very first times when the community welcomed Native Americans to take part in the international meetings on the hill. The group extended an invitation to the community to return the visit, and a brother visited South Dakota in 2010 and again in 2011, stopping at the Pine Ridge Reservation and getting to know the Two Bulls family at Red Shirt. A larger group, including a number of Lakota and Ojibwa young people, visited Taizé for a week in 2011, and in the summer of 2012, two Lakota youth spent the summer months as volunteers on the hill.

All of these deepening contacts eventually led to an invitation to hold a gathering of the pilgrimage of trust on a reservation, where those coming from the outside would be welcomed by Native Americans; they are getting ready to offer hospitality to hundreds of participants. Christian churches of all denominations in the area are working together to prepare this meeting.

Why is such a gathering important? Whereas people from outside North America often have a romantic

image of the Native American peoples drawn from films and novels, in recent times the media has increasingly shown another face of life on Pine Ridge and other reservations. The story told is often one of unremitting poverty, violence, and despair. The young people there have another story to tell, one that avoids both extremes of idealization and hopelessness. In welcoming young adults from other parts of North America and beyond, they want to share their joy as well as their pain, highlighting both the priceless gifts of an age-old way of life and the great difficulties in continuing this way of life and adapting it to contemporary society.

“When we travel to visit other peoples and cultures,” said Brother Alois, “we go above all to listen. In going to Pine Ridge we want to listen carefully to the story of the Lakota people, and listen together to what the Spirit is saying to us all in our attempt to create a world of solidarity and peace. Only by coming together beyond our differences in a climate of prayer and sharing can we find new ways forward.”



DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE A WEEKLY UPDATE ON TAIZÉ-PINE RIDGE PREP?

Send your e-mail address to Tom !!!
Thomas.Emanuel @usd.edu

**South Dakota high school student or group?
Want to be a part of Taizé-Pine Ridge 2013?**

Send a note to Pastor Steve Miller who is coordinating the Official High School Presence at the weekend!

TaizePineRidge2013@uccvermillion.org

United Thank Offering grant applications to be available in January

Change in timeline announced

The United Thank Offering Board announced a change in the timeline for grant applications for 2013. Grant applications will be accepted only online from January 1, through February 28, 2013

Since applications require approval by our diocesan UTO committee, and the selected application requires the bishop's endorsement, the diocesan deadline for submission of COMPLETED applications is FEBRUARY 8, 2013.

Known worldwide as UTO, the United Thank Offering grants are awarded for projects that address human needs and help alleviate poverty, both domestically and internationally within Anglican provinces, dioceses, and companion dioceses.

Interested applicants may review the grant criteria and changes online beginning November 1 at <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/uto>

Grant applications will be reviewed in March for compliance followed by review by UTO Board members. The UTO Board Granting Session and Board Meeting will be held in May; grant awards and declinations will be announced in June.

Important information for applying for the grants:

- one application may be submitted by each diocese of the Episcopal Church, with diocesan bishop approval;
- one application may be submitted by a U.S. diocese of the Episcopal Church on behalf of an overseas Companion Diocese (the Companion relationship may be formal or informal), with approval by both diocesan bishops;
- one application may be submitted by invited provinces of the Anglican Communion, with approval by the Archbishop or Primate or Provincial Secretary and, if applicable, the diocesan bishop

The United Thank Offering awarded funds are the Ingatherings/funds/contributions received through the Blue Box offerings; offerings of change made by Episcopalians throughout the church.

UTO's tag line is "Our Change Changes Lives."

**Grants that focus on changing lives and changes communities receive priority in granting decisions.

Thank you to all UTO Chair persons who have done the important work for gathering the Thank Offerings from your congregations and sending it in to the Diocesan Office to be combined and sent on to help others. Any offerings received after December 20 will be counted toward 2013 offerings.

There are many exciting things coming as we move into this Triennium; our new tagline is "Our Change Changes Lives." We will be encouraging the active use of the little Blue Box, which will arrive in January with a new look for the new Millennium and the new Triennium. There is a new UTO logo, a new grant criteria, a new approach to granting, and a purposeful push to paperless existence! We hope you will all enjoy this process!

You should have heard by now that there is change in the grant application due date for applying for grants: the grant application, which must be filled out on line, will be posted on January 1, 2013. The deadline for completed applications is February 28, 2013. There is a new granting criteria, with the focus of all grants needing to address two of the Five Marks of Mission embraced by the Episcopal Church: "To respond to human need by loving service" and "to seek to transform unjust structures of society." Details of the grant criteria are published on the National Church Website. Watch for this posting: <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/uto> .

Please keep your UTO boxes close and count your blessings each day with a thank offering.

Thank you,
Diana Regan
Diocese of SD UTO Chair person.

Niobrara School for Ministry Registration

Mail this information to:

Pat Woolley, NSM Registrar
590 W. 9th
Winner, SD 57580-2406

Or—Call her @ 605-842-2033

Or—Email her: dsdnsm@me.com

Or—Register online at www.diocesesd.org

Schedule Niobrara School for Ministry 2012-2013

Jan 11-12	Major & Minor Prophets
Jan 25-26	Exploring the Pentateuch
Apr 12-13	Wisdom Literature
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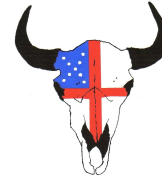
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Classes are \$15 per day plus any text book cost (TBA)

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Anti-Racism Training January 18 (supper @ 6:00 pm) - January 19 (4:00 pm)
An effort to help us see the face of God in everyone!

We will explore how racism affects all of us in our daily lives. Our presentation utilizes DVD's, small group discussions, group interaction, and open discussion.

Register by contacting Sam Robertson (605-730-3746) or Calvary Cathedral (605-336-3486) with your contact information. Open to everyone! No fee, but PLEASE register.

DEADLINE for registration: Jan. 12, 2013.

Niobrara Convocation meets for 141st time

Niobrara Convocation 2013 will be held this year in Lower Brule on June 20-23.

Plans and fundraising are underway, and the Niobrara Council meeting March 1-2 will be in Lower Brule and dedicated to final planning.

2013 Hospitality Treasurer

Ann Whipple

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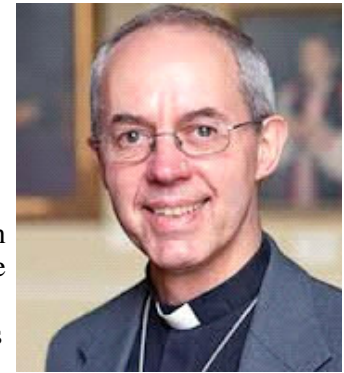
New Archbishop of Canterbury is elected

Justin Portal Welby, Bishop of Durham in England for just one year, will be enthroned as 105th Archbishop of Canterbury on March 21, 2013.

Archbishop Rowan Williams said Welby possesses “an extraordinary range of skills and is a person of grace, patience, wisdom and humor. He will bring to this office both a rich pastoral experience and a keen sense of international priorities, for Church and world.”

Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop Katharine Jefferts Schori offered the following comment on the appointment of Bishop Justin Welby of Durham as the new Archbishop of Canterbury:

“I am delighted to hear of Bishop Welby’s appointment as Archbishop of Canterbury. He brings knowledge of the immense challenges of the world in which the Anglican Communion seeks to partner in the service of God’s mission to heal and reconcile. He has experience of churches in several parts of the Communion, which should serve him well. The bishops of The Episcopal Church have met him and shared fruitful conversation, worship, and learning with him during a House of Bishops meeting earlier this year. We also welcomed him to our General Convention in 2009.



“I give thanks for his appointment and his willingness to accept this work, in which I know his gifts of reconciliation and discernment will be abundantly tested. May God bless his ministry, shelter his family, and bring comfort in the midst of difficult and lonely discernment and decisions.”

After spending 11 years as an oil industry executive, Bishop Welby was ordained a priest in 1992.



Church Publishing launches eBook editions of the BCP

Church Publishing Incorporated, publisher for the Episcopal Church since 1918, has successfully launched two new eBook editions of the 1979 Book of Common Prayer to accommodate a variety of applications and most eReader platforms, including all versions of Kindle, Apple, plus other devices and tablets.

“We’re not the first to offer an electronic edition of the *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), but we wanted to offer the best version possible in multiple formats to cover the widest range of liturgical needs,” said Brother Karekin Yarian, Church Publishing’s project manager - eProducts.

Church Publishing’s eBook edition, available for all eReaders, contains the complete contents of the authorized 1979 *Book of Common Prayer*, is fully searchable, and features a built-in Table of Contents. This edition is designed to maximize content accessibility on mobile devices and tablets.

However, because eBooks are designed to reflow the text according to the size of the screen of the mobile device, designing this edition to maintain the exact page layout and page numbers of the print edition “was neither possible nor desirable,” Brother Karekin explained, “As such, the layout of the content may be different, depending on the device you are using.”

“While technical issues preclude a Certificate, this eBook version of the Book of Common Prayer is a valuable resource for planning, study, worship and pastoral care,” said the Rev. Canon Gregory M. Howe, Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer.

Church Publishing also offers a PDF version of the *Book of Common Prayer*, which is available on the Church Publishing website. Each of these versions is hyperlinked and has bookmarking capability.



“These eBooks give Episcopalians easy access to the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer*, making it as close as your tablet or eBook reader. I’m delighted that Church Publishing is responding to the needs of the church in this way,” said Ruth Meyers, Hodges-Haynes Professor of Liturgics at Church Divinity School of the Pacific and a member of the Standing Commission on Liturgy and Music for the Episcopal Church.

“Electronic books are becoming fully integrated now within the life of the Church, so we’re meeting the needs of our customers with a variety of digital products,” said Church Publishing’s Davis Perkins, publisher. “In addition to an already significant assortment of digital resources, including our eHymnals, *riteworship*, *Living the Good News Online*, and *Weaving God’s Promises* curriculums, plus more than 500 CPI titles available as eBooks, the electronic editions of the BCP demonstrate our commitment to delivering important content for the Church via every available channel.”

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- The authorized text of the 1979 BCP
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- Available for Kindle, iPad, and other e-readers that support the epub or PDF formats
- Resizable text in the eBook edition
- Annotation and highlighting of text *
- Fully linked Table of Contents

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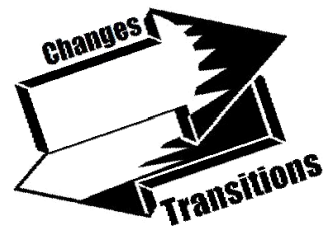
- An interactive calendar with complete access to Years A, B, & C of the RCL for Sundays and Holy Days, the Daily Office, and Lesser Feasts and Fasts lectionary texts in the NRSV
- Feast pages include title and color in addition to presenting multiple feasts in order of precedence
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- Canticles are supplemented with all of the alternatives from *Enriching Our Worship*.
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- **Deacon Tom Regan** of Deadwood has been reassigned to Church of All Angels in Spearfish, effective December 15, 2012.
- **Pastor Daryl Schubert** of Madison began an interim ministry on the Rosebud Mission on December 1, 2012.
- **The Rev. Michael Johnson** accepted a call to St. John the Baptist in Deadwood beginning December 1, 2012. He comes to the diocese from the Diocese of North Dakota. He will be installed as Rector on January 20, 2013.
- **Holly & Scott Moseley** are leaving SD to serve Julian House (Order of Julian of Norwich) at Waukesha, WI, near Milwaukee. Holly will be closer to much of her family, so "grandma duties" will be included too. Holly says, "*Thank you to everyone who has been a part of my many adventures here in South Dakota: all aspects of life at the Cathedral, children and youth ministries at Church of All Angels, Happening, Youth Conventions, and especially TEC! If you would like to honor my time at TEC (13 wonderful years, thanks to all of you!), please make a donation to the endowment fund so that the wonderful opportunities there will continue for future generations. Our address, beginning sometime after the middle of January, is 2716 Sandra Lane, Waukesha, WI 53188*"

2012 PLEDGE TO THE DIOCESE								
As of November 30, 2012								
	Pledge	Payable To Date	Paid To Date	Balance	ChurchNews	Payable To Date	Paid To Date	Balance
PARISHES:								
Aberdeen - St. Mark's	7,000.00	6,416.67	6,424.00	576.00	30.00	27.50	30.00	0.00
Belle Fourche - St. James'	3,864.00	3,542.00	3,542.00	322.00	110.00	100.83	110.00	0.00
Brookings - St. Paul's	12,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	1,000.00	230.00	210.83	230.00	0.00
Deadwood - St. John's	5,429.00	4,976.58	4,976.62	452.38	60.00	55.00	55.00	5.00
Huron - Grace	17,000.00	15,583.33	15,587.00	1,413.00	200.00	183.33	200.00	0.00
Lead - Christ Church	6,086.00	5,578.83	5,610.00	476.00	155.00	142.08	155.00	0.00
Mitchell - St. Mary's	1,800.00	1,650.00	1,650.00	150.00	110.00	100.83	110.00	0.00
Mobridge - St. James'	1,899.00	1,740.75	1,834.00	65.00	65.00	59.58	65.00	0.00
Pierre - Trinity	14,502.00	13,293.50	5,216.68	9,285.32	65.00	59.58	65.00	0.00
Rapid City - Emmanuel	43,126.00	39,532.17	43,126.00	0.00	325.00	297.92	0.00	325.00
Rapid City - St. Andrew's	27,440.00	25,153.33	25,072.99	2,367.01	180.00	165.00	180.00	0.00
Sioux Falls - Calvary	61,706.00	56,563.83	56,563.87	5,142.13	1,005.00	921.25	903.75	101.25
Sioux Falls - Good Shepherd	12,000.00	11,000.00	11,000.00	1,000.00	30.00	27.50	30.00	0.00
Spearfish - All Angels	27,334.00	25,056.17	27,334.00	0.00	300.00	275.00	600.00	(300.00)
Sturgis - St. Thomas'	4,497.00	4,122.25	3,747.50	749.50	130.00	119.17	130.00	0.00
Watertown - Trinity	8,605.00	7,887.92	2,868.32	5,736.68	175.00	160.42	81.68	93.32
Winner - Trinity	4,721.00	4,327.58	3,785.00	936.00	75.00	68.75	75.00	0.00
Yankton - Christ Church	22,000.00	20,166.67	20,166.67	1,833.33	470.00	430.83	470.00	0.00
TOTAL PARISHES	281,009.00	257,591.58	249,504.65	31,504.35	3,715.00	3,405.42	3,490.43	224.57
Bonesteel - St. Andrew's	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30.00	27.50	30.00	0.00
Chamberlain - Christ Church	2,011.00	1,843.42	2,011.00	0.00	105.00	96.25	105.00	0.00
Cheyenne River Mission	650.00	595.83	650.00	0.00	345.00	316.25	120.00	225.00
Crow Creek Mission	1,469.00	1,346.58	1,469.00	0.00	145.00	132.92	145.00	0.00
DeSmet - St. Stephen's	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00	4.58	5.00	0.00
Flandreau - St. Mary's	1,200.00	1,100.00	1,200.00	0.00	90.00	82.50	90.00	0.00
Ft. Pierre - St. Peter's	3,500.00	3,208.33	3,500.00	0.00	60.00	55.00	60.00	0.00
Gettysburg - Christ Church	300.00	275.00	205.00	95.00	25.00	22.92	25.00	0.00
Gregory - Incarnation	750.00	687.50	750.00	0.00	60.00	55.00	60.00	0.00
Herrick - All Saints	400.00	366.67	400.00	0.00	20.00	18.33	20.00	0.00
Hot Springs - St. Luke's	4,648.00	4,260.67	4,261.00	387.00	170.00	155.83	156.00	14.00
Lower Brule Mission	1,948.00	1,785.67	0.00	1,948.00	40.00	36.67	40.00	0.00
Madison - Grace	1,892.00	1,734.33	1,738.00	154.00	50.00	45.83	50.00	0.00
Martin - St. Katharine's	4,117.00	3,773.92	3,795.00	322.00	205.00	187.92	188.57	16.43
Milbank - Christ Church	2,842.00	2,605.17	2,842.00	0.00	80.00	73.33	0.00	80.00
Pine Ridge Mission	1,921.00	1,760.92	1,369.00	552.00	270.00	247.50	180.00	90.00
Rapid City - St. Matthew's	2,600.00	2,383.33	2,387.00	213.00	85.00	77.92	110.00	(25.00)
Rosebud Mission	3,870.00	3,547.50	3,290.50	579.50	300.00	275.00	300.00	0.00
Santee Mission	1,057.00	968.92	1,057.00	0.00	100.00	91.67	100.00	0.00
Sioux Falls - Holy Apostles	5,745.00	5,266.25	5,745.00	0.00	85.00	77.92	85.00	0.00
Sisseton - Gethsemane	850.00	779.17	550.00	300.00	60.00	55.00	0.00	60.00
Sisseton Mission	2,100.00	1,925.00	1,820.00	280.00	40.00	36.67	20.00	20.00
Standing Rock Mission	40.00	36.67	40.00	0.00	85.00	77.92	85.00	0.00
Vermillion - St. Paul's	7,224.00	6,622.00	6,657.00	567.00	145.00	132.92	145.00	0.00
Webster - St. Mary's	1,600.00	1,466.67	1,300.00	300.00	35.00	32.08	70.00	(35.00)
Yankton Mission	611.00	560.08	611.00	0.00	130.00	119.17	130.00	0.00
TOTAL MISSIONS	53,345.00	48,899.58	47,647.50	5,697.50	2,765.00	2,534.58	2,319.57	445.43
TOTAL PARISH AND MISSIONS	334,354.00	306,491.17	297,152.15	37,201.85	6,480.00	5,940.00	5,810.00	670.00

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Diocesan Calendar

JANUARY

Jan 1 Diocesan Office closed
Jan 6 Bishop visits Huron
Jan 11-12 NSM—Prophets
Jan 13 Bishop visits St. Andrew's, Rapid
Jan 18-19 Anti-Racism Training, Calvary Cathedral
Jan 20 Bishop installs Rector, Deadwood
Jan 21 Diocesan Office closed
Jan 25-26 NSM—Pentateuch
Jan 27 Bishop visits Brookings

FEBRUARY

Feb 3 Bishop visits Belle Fourche
Feb 4-5 Prov 6 Bishops, Mpls
Feb 8 Deadline to submit UTO grant apps to
Dioc Office
Feb 9-10 Bishop visits Mni Sose Cluster
Feb 10 *ChurchNews* deadline
Feb 13 Ash Wednesday, Lent begins
Feb 17 Bishop visits Vermillion
Feb 17-20 WinterTalk, Wewoka, OK
Feb 18 Diocesan Office closed
Feb 24 Bishop visits Watertown

MARCH

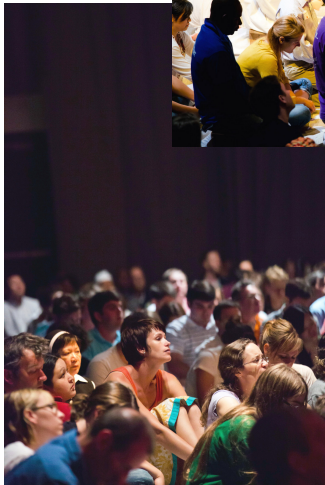
Mar 1 Parochial Reports due
Mar 1-2 Niobrara Council, Lower Brule
Mar 7-13 House of Bishops
March 17 Bishop visits Pierre
Mar 31 Easter Sunday

APRIL

Apr 7 Bishop visits Flandreau
Apr 8-12 Bishop visits Sewanee School
Apr 10 *ChurchNews* deadline
Apr 12-13 NSM—Wisdom Literature
Apr 14 Bishop visits Calvary Cathedral
Apr 19-20 COM meeting, Pierre
Apr 21 Bishop visits Spearfish
Apr 25-28 Bishop visits Cheyenne River
Apr 30 Deadline to register for Taizé 2013

MAY

May 5 Bishop visits Mitchell
May 12 Bishop visits Milbank
May 17-19 Bishop visits Standing Rock
May 24-27 Taizé on Pine Ridge
May 27 Diocesan Office closed



Two dozen young adults will represent South Dakota and Minnesota at Taizé's annual European meeting in Rome Dec. 28-Jan. 2.

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Parochial Report due March 1

Clergy—you are responsible for this report to be completed (by you or others) and filed by March 1, 2013. You should have received your forms by now.

You can file online or let the diocesan office do it. Either way, the diocesan office needs a completed copy by March 1, 2013.

The diocese gets a great amount of financial assistance from The Episcopal Church. The least we can do is file their reports as requested. If you have questions, the Diocesan Office can help.

**NIOBRARA COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 1-2, 2013
LOWER BRULE**

The Episcopal Church in South Dakota is a sacred circle gathered around Jesus in prayer, loving and serving God and our neighbor in Jesus' name.

The Mission of the Diocese of South Dakota is to restore all people to unity with God and each other in Christ through the ministry of all.