



A Time for Reconciliation

by Sam Robertson, Chamberlain

Greetings to all my Brothers and Sisters!

Bishop Tarrant has asked me to serve as the Chair of a Diocesan Anti-Racism Committee. Part of the duties will be to write regular articles on observations about our Church communities and on some definitions that I think are crucial to understanding what it is that we need to do as Christian people to live the Gospel more faithfully.

For quite some time now, the Episcopal Church has required teachings about racism in all of the provinces and on a national level, but I wonder if people are paying much attention to this effort since many of us are not aware of the outcome of such training.

It seems to me that the part that is lacking is the continuation by those who attend, meet their requirements and move on, forgetting that there is still work to do. Just because we talk about it once or twice does NOT mean the issue has gone away. To solve the problem is to continue to work so that we can “see the face of God in everyone!” *Seeing the Face of God in Each Other* is the name of the anti-racism training that is offered by The Episcopal Church.

For my purpose here, I will offer some initial definitions of racism

and some suggestions on what can be done to begin to make efforts toward reconciliation.

The Episcopal Church has long used, and used well, a very simple formula to define Racism:

$$\text{Power} + \text{Prejudice} = \text{Racism}$$

Hoping that we don't stay superficial in our understanding, I think we need to take a look at the terms used in this formula and identify them in the proper context. First, let's look at "Racism." I have heard some people say, in defense of their actions, "Well Natives, or Indians, are racist too." We need to remember and understand the formula:

$$\text{Power} + \text{Prejudice} = \text{Racism}$$

Native people can be prejudiced, certainly I have my prejudices, but they cannot be racist, mainly because

they have only half the formula to work with. Native people do not have the POWER base that is required to be racist people or individuals. It is only the folks that represent the dominate culture that fit the formula. They have the *power* and the *prejudice* to be racist people.

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From the Bishop . . .

February 2010 marked the twentieth anniversary of the Year of Reconciliation that was announced by the late Gov. George Mickelson, and on February 19, 2010 Governor Michael Rounds proclaimed 2010 as a Year of Unity. At lunch in early March, Sam Robertson and I were discussing the Governor's effort in seeking "unity" within the State, and we both felt that such a proclamation would be meaningless without dealing with the issues that cause disunity. Racism is at the heart of the "disunity" that exists between the white culture and "people of color" in South Dakota and around our country. Wishing it wasn't so won't make it not true.



The Rt. Rev. John Tarrant

In any abusive relationship there cannot be complete reconciliation and healing until both perpetrator and victim acknowledge the truth. This is not just a "here we go again," but it is an opportunity to seek "shalom" (well being) within our church family and beyond, for all people. Racism is woven so extensively within our American culture that many of us do not see it, even when we are participating in it, unless of course, we are the victim.

Our Governor has brought this issue forward, our national church, through General Convention, has brought this issue forward and we as a Diocese are going to engage this issue in a forthright and healing manner, in order to live out our baptismal promise more faithfully, "to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself." As Christians we believe we were created in the image of God and that all life is important. We will strive to live that belief more fully.

I have appointed Sam Robertson to chair an anti-racism committee for the diocese. Sam has deep experience and training in working with the issues around racism. He understands the complexity and uncomfortable nature of conversations around racism. He will be contributing regular articles to the ChurchNews to help us better understand and engage the dynamics of the issue.

We already have fourteen volunteers to be part of the committee. This will be a working committee that will explore personal issues around racism, attend training events and create teaching opportunities for the rest of the diocese. I believe with God's help we can indeed "strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being." Jesus expects us to do no less.

God's peace be with you,
+John

Around the Diocese

Former Rector John Tarrant returned to **Trinity Church** in Pierre on February 28—this time as the Bishop of South Dakota making an official visitation.



In addition to renewing old acquaintances, Bishop Tarrant confirmed the individuals pictured above. From left to right they are: Nate Buscher, Betsy Yates, Jason Yates, and Samantha Walker.

Quiet Day in Rapid City

Twenty women gathered together to share a Quiet Day in Lent hosted by the Black Hills Chapter of the Daughters of the King.

On Saturday, March 27, at St. Andrews Church in Rapid City, these women sat in a circle and listened as **Virginia Driving Hawk Sneve** told the story of the Sacred Circle. Virginia explained the four colors of the Circle and the layers of meaning ascribed to the four directions and the four seasons of the year. She compared some Lakota Spiritual traditions to some Episcopal Spiritual traditions. There was time for quiet meditation and prayer interspersed with laughter and sharing of personal experiences, and there was much storytelling. At noon the gathering adjourned to enjoy a delicious potluck lunch together and a few parting thoughts.



Virginia Driving Hawk Sneve

Traditionally our local chapter of “Daughters” has organized and hosted Quiet Days in Advent and Lent. Quiet Days are open to anyone wishing to participate in a time of meditation and prayer. Membership in Daughters is not required to attend the Quiet Days.

In 2009, in order to embrace a more inclusive and welcoming attitude and to encourage new member participation, the Emmanuel Chapter of Daughters of the King formally changed its name to the Black Hills Chapter of Daughters of the King. The Black Hills Chapter of DOK will continue to reach out into the larger Episcopal community of the Black Hills and introduce more women to “Daughters.”

*Submitted by Donna Burnap
Emmanuel Church, Rapid City*

Bishop Visits Belle Fourche



The Rt. Rev. John T. Tarrant, Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of South Dakota, greets Ann Hejde, member of **St. James Episcopal Church** of Belle Fourche, during his visit to the parish on April 11.

Belle Fourche holds Ecumenical Seder

A diversity of faiths was represented at a Seder celebration at **St. James Episcopal Church** in Belle Fourche. Attending were members of the Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Catholic, and protestant faiths, including Lutheran and Episcopal clergy.

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Hosts for the Seder were Louise and Mike Reade' of St. James. Louise was raised in the Jewish faith.



In the picture above, Louise Reade' provides water for hand washing to Dr. Ahrar Ahmad during the Seder service at the church. At left is Dr. Parthasara Nag. Dr. Ahmad, a Muslim, and Dr. Nag, a Hindu, are professors at Black Hills State University. Dr. Ahmad said, "When a Hindu and a Muslim can attend a Jewish celebration at a Christian church, there is great hope for world peace."

Also participating in the Seder were members of the Jewish, Catholic and protestant faiths, including parishioners and clergy of St. James. About 30 people attended the Seder.

Dental Outreach

Good dental health is often taken for granted, but the good people of **St. James, Belle Fourche** know that for many children, dental care is a luxury. This past April, St. James has hosted the Ronald McDonald Delta Mobile Dental Clinic for six years.

Young people 21 years old and younger who don't receive regular dental services and who meet the income guidelines qualify for free dental care from the special mobile dental clinic. Local dentists also donate their services along with dental hygienists and other professionals working in the mobile clinic and even in St. James Guild Hall. Local school nurses also help by referring children who need the clinic's assistance.

During the past six years, St. James has helped to provide over \$150,000 worth of dental care to local children. The people of St. James have worked hard to raise the money needed to bring in the mobile

dental clinic by approaching various businesses and other philanthropic groups in the area. Deacon Mike Weaver proudly pointed out that for one of the smallest congregations in Belle Fourche, they are able to rally the community to provide such a vital ministry to so many children in need. St. James has always been active in the community and with Christ's "New Commandment" to "love each other" still fresh in their minds after Holy Week, they are able to carry on this rich tradition of service to their neighbors.



The *South Dakota ChurchNews* is a newsletter FOR you and ABOUT you. You care about, and spend time and effort pursuing, your various ministries...let's hear about it! and see pictures of it! Share your ideas.

We would like to feature your church from time to time. Perhaps each congregation or mission could designate a person to take pictures of and/or write brief articles on church ministries, events or activities—or be the local gatherer of pictures and articles by other members—and submit them to the *ChurchNews* by the deadline. **Be sure the Diocesan Office is on your newsletter mailing list.**

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We are all interested in the activities of Episcopalians around the state—from toddlers to senior citizens—your ministries, fund raisers, special services, classes, speakers, etc.—as we live in this sacred circle of love, prayer, and service gathered around the gospel.

TRANSITIONS -

On May 30, 2010, **The Rev. Mercy Hobbs** begins serving as Rector of Trinity Church in Pierre. She and her husband, **the Rev. Canon David Hussey**, and daughter Claire, will be moving into the rectory the following week.

The Rev. Rita Powell, Diocesan Youth Ministries Coordinator, will serve as part-time Interim Priest-in-Charge of St. Paul's Church in Vermillion.

Canon David will continue his role as Canon to the Ordinary and Deployment Officer out of his home office in Pierre, with periodic trips around the diocese.

- Easter Sunday was the last Sunday at St. Thomas, Sturgis, for the **Rev. John Wedgwood-Greenhow**. Fr. John and his wife Myrna have moved to a new position in Midland, TX.
- Also after Easter, Holy Apostles in Sioux Falls said goodbye to **the Rev. Jeff Barnes** who has retired for a second time.
- Effective June 30, **the Rev. George Parmeter** will retire from active ministry at Grace Church, Huron. His last Sunday will be May 23. As he will be staying in the area for at least another year, Fr. George plans to keep connected to diocesan life in a variety of ways.
- **The Rev. Marion Rectenwald** celebrated her last Sunday on the Cheyenne River Mission on March 7. She will be living and pursuing other ministry opportunities in the Kansas City area. **Fr. Les Campbell** is part-time Interim Priest-in-Charge while a search is underway for a full-time mission priest for Cheyenne River.
- The Bishop of our Companion **Diocese of East Tennessee** has announced his retirement and has asked permission of the House of Bishops to resign, as required by National Constitution. The search for a new Bishop is underway, with an election scheduled for February 2011 and the

consecration of the new bishop on June 25, 2011. **The Rt. Rev. Charlie von Rosenberg** will step down when the new bishop is consecrated.

- **Holly Huisken** begins a new ministry on May 1, as Children and Youth Ministry Coordinator at the Church of All Angels in Spearfish. She continues as TEC manager. Her last day at Calvary Cathedral was April 25.



- And sadly, we report the death of the **Rev. Phil Allen** in Minneapolis on March 22.

About 170 family members and friends from across the country gathered March 20 in Minneapolis to celebrate the 75th birthday of Fr. Phil. He died two days later, surrounded by family.

An Oglala Lakota, Allen was the great-grandson of Major Charles Wesley Allen, who memorialized the 1890 battle of Wounded Knee on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota in *From Fort Laramie to Wounded Knee*. Fr. Phil had recently completed his own memoirs, including his Wounded Knee experiences when he served as a negotiator during the 1973 standoff.

Fr. Phil had more than 30 years of ministry to Native people in the dioceses of South Dakota, Iowa, Minnesota, Nevada, Utah and Navajoland, as well as extensive participation in the wider Episcopal Church.

His wife Helen died on March 22, 2005.

A wake and memorial service were held in Minneapolis. The burial service was on Monday, March 29 at the Bishop Harold Jones Center in Mission, South Dakota.





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☞ *Leading Ideas* is a free bi-weekly e-newsletter delivering fresh perspectives, helpful resources, and new ideas for church leaders. Learn more and subscribe to *Leading Ideas* today at www.churchleadership.com/resources/leading_ideas.htm. Check out the article on "The Art of Making Announcements" in their March 31 newsletter.

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www.churchtoolbox.org

Read articles on evangelism & outreach, communication, building healthy youth groups & vestries, congregational development, and more, with links to other helpful sites.

☞ Another free e-newsletter is the *Church Wellness Report: How to Nurture a Healthy Church*, by Tom Ehrich. To subscribe, send an email to tom@churchwellness.com

Episcopal Church Women offer scholarships for Fall 2010

Two (possibly 3) ECW Scholarships of \$500 each will be available for women in the Diocese of South Dakota for the 2010 - 2011 academic year. The money may be used for the purchase of books, or towards payment of tuition at any college, university or technical institute in South Dakota. The ECW treasurer will send the check directly to the school and not the student.

The applicant should indicate whether she will be a full-time or part-time student, and is an active member of an Episcopal Church or Mission in the Diocese of South Dakota. Non-traditional students are encouraged to apply.

<p style="text-align: center;">THE APPLICATION DEADLINE IS JUNE 1, 2010.</p>
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Requirements are:

1. An essay explaining the need for the scholarship and plans for the future.
2. Two letters of recommendation:
 - a. from a member of the clergy, and
 - b. from someone in the academic field.

Send applications or questions to:

Sandy Magnavito, M.Ed. Chair
8615 Kings Court
Rapid City, SD 57702
348-0567

E-mail address: ahedlupus@aol.com

or

Vaudeth Oberlander, Secretary
343-9691

E-mail address: vaudeth7@msn.com

Episcopal Church offers 60+ educational scholarships

More than 60 scholarships are available through The Episcopal Church. Though the deadline has passed for 2010, it is not too late to plan ahead for next year.

Earmarked for education and schooling for Episcopalians, funding for the scholarships is derived from numerous trust funds that have amassed over the years.

“These trust funds are part of the heritage of The Episcopal Church,” explained Margareth Crosnier de Bellaistre, Director of Investment Management and Banking. “Some of the trust funds date over 150 years.” The oldest scholarship trust fund, The Mary E. Hinman Fund, dates to 1879.

All materials – the list of scholarships, the guidelines, the application form and the instructions for filling out the form – are available online at: http://www.episcopalchurch.org/109539_110675_ENG_HTML.htm

The list of trust funds and scholarships is here: <http://www.episcopalchurch.org/documents/ScholarshipTrustFunds121609.pdf>

Applications are reviewed by scholarship subcommittees comprised of representatives from throughout the Church. Their recommendations are then reviewed and announced by the Scholarship Committee of The Episcopal Church.

The amounts of the scholarships vary according to the availability of payouts from the funds. Annual payouts from the funds are determined by the Executive Council upon recommendation of its Investment Committee. Principal amounts of each fund are always maintained.

Deadline for applications is April 15 of each year.

Eligibility

In many cases, the scholarships are geared to particular audiences and students, explained Antoinette (Toni) Daniels, Co-director of Mission and Chair of the Scholarship Committee. “Trusts are given for particular areas of interest. Some of the scholarships are very specific.”

Among the specific communities are: American Indians/Native Americans, African-Americans, Asian-Americans, Latino/Hispanics, children of

missionaries, medical missionaries, men in the ordination process, Pacific Island Americans, children of living or deceased bishops and clergy, Chinese girls, and others.

Requirements

Daniels noted that there are requirements for applying: the applicant must be an Episcopalian, must be a member of The Episcopal Church, and must have the endorsement of his/her bishop.

She stressed that only complete applications will be considered. The complete list plus instructions for applying are available on line here: http://www.episcopalchurch.org/109539_110675_ENG_HTML.htm

Sources of Financial Aid for American Indian Students

In addition to financial aid available to college students in general, there are sources specifically for American Indian students.

There is an excellent and extensive booklet available on line from **Indian Resource Development (IRD)** in New Mexico listing sources of financial aid for American Indian college students. Though it is not exhaustive, it can be a beginning point in your search for funds with which to finance your education.

A .pdf of the booklet from IRD is available at <http://aces.nmsu.edu/academics/ird/>

Or aces.nmsu.edu/academics/ird/documents/fab-2009.pdf





Pledge Report

2010 PLEDGE TO THE DIOCESE As of March 31, 2010

	Pledge	Payable To Date	Paid To Date	Balance	ChurchNews	Payable To Date	Paid To Date	Balance
PARISHES:								
Aberdeen - St. Mark's	13,200.00	3,300.00	3,300.00	9,900.00	30.00	7.50	30.00	0.00
Belle Fourche - St. James'	3,300.00	825.00	825.00	2,475.00	105.00	26.25	75.00	30.00
Brookings - St. Paul's	10,800.00	2,700.00	2,700.00	8,100.00	240.00	60.00	0.00	240.00
Deadwood - St. John's	6,293.00	1,573.25	1,573.26	4,719.74	90.00	22.50	22.50	67.50
Huron - Grace	16,000.00	4,000.00	3,999.00	12,001.00	330.00	82.50	82.50	247.50
Lead - Christ Church	6,133.00	1,533.25	1,022.16	5,110.84	170.00	42.50	28.34	141.66
Mitchell - St. Mary's	1,625.00	406.25	406.26	1,218.74	165.00	41.25	41.25	123.75
Mobridge - St. James'	1,700.00	425.00	283.33	1,416.67	65.00	16.25	0.00	65.00
Pierre - Trinity	16,523.00	4,130.75	4,130.76	12,392.24	55.00	13.75	55.00	0.00
Rapid City - Emmanuel	44,863.00	11,215.75	11,215.75	33,647.25	290.00	72.50	151.25	138.75
Rapid City - St. Andrew's	26,014.00	6,503.50	6,503.52	19,510.48	330.00	82.50	82.50	247.50
Sioux Falls - Calvary	59,448.00	14,862.00	14,862.00	44,586.00	820.00	205.00	225.00	595.00
Sioux Falls - Good Shepherd	8,000.00	2,000.00	2,001.00	5,999.00	40.00	10.00	0.00	40.00
Spearfish - All Angels	18,407.00	4,601.75	3,067.83	15,339.17	290.00	72.50	48.33	241.67
Sturgis - St. Thomas'	4,902.00	1,225.50	817.00	4,085.00	115.00	28.75	115.00	0.00
Watertown - Trinity	8,605.00	2,151.25	2,151.24	6,453.76	245.00	61.25	61.26	183.74
Winner - Trinity	4,196.00	1,049.00	835.00	3,361.00	115.00	28.75	115.00	0.00
Yankton - Christ Church	22,000.00	5,500.00	3,666.66	18,333.34	445.00	111.25	74.16	370.84
TOTAL PARISHES	272,009.00	68,002.25	63,359.77	208,649.23	3,940.00	985.00	1,207.09	2,732.91
Bonesteel - St. Andrew's	497.00	124.25	150.00	347.00	30.00	7.50	0.00	30.00
Chamberlain - Christ Church	3,474.00	868.50	579.00	2,895.00	110.00	27.50	21.67	88.33
Cheyenne River Mission	650.00	162.50	650.00	0.00	435.00	108.75	25.00	410.00
Crow Creek Mission	1,005.00	251.25	150.00	855.00	175.00	43.75	50.00	125.00
DeSmet - St. Stephen's	30.00	7.50	30.00	0.00	5.00	1.25	0.00	5.00
Flandreau - St. Mary's	1,200.00	300.00	200.00	1,000.00	90.00	22.50	15.00	75.00
Ft. Pierre - St. Peter's	2,904.00	726.00	2,904.00	0.00	85.00	21.25	85.00	0.00
Gettysburg - Christ Church	300.00	75.00	75.00	225.00	25.00	6.25	6.25	18.75
Gregory - Incarnation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	60.00	15.00	60.00	0.00
Herrick - All Saints	250.00	62.50	20.83	229.17	20.00	5.00	1.67	18.33
Hot Springs - St. Luke's	2,352.00	588.00	392.00	1,960.00	215.00	53.75	35.83	179.17
Lake Andes - St. Peter's	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	25.00	6.25	0.00	25.00
Lower Brule Mission	2,038.00	509.50	0.00	2,038.00	40.00	10.00	0.00	40.00
Madison - Grace	2,092.00	523.00	348.67	1,743.33	50.00	12.50	8.33	41.67
Martin - St. Katharine's	3,511.00	877.75	877.74	2,633.26	205.00	51.25	51.24	153.76
Milbank - Christ Church	2,824.00	706.00	475.00	2,349.00	65.00	16.25	65.00	0.00
Pine Ridge Mission	1,452.00	363.00	169.33	1,282.67	325.00	81.25	67.04	257.96
Rapid City - St. Matthew's	3,600.00	900.00	900.00	2,700.00	115.00	28.75	30.00	85.00
Rosebud Mission	7,283.00	1,820.75	1,000.00	6,283.00	310.00	77.50	0.00	310.00
Santee Mission	2,019.00	504.75	0.00	2,019.00	95.00	23.75	0.00	95.00
Sioux Falls - Holy Apostles	7,529.00	1,882.25	1,254.84	6,274.16	85.00	21.25	85.00	0.00
Sisseton - Gethsemane	800.00	200.00	0.00	800.00	60.00	15.00	0.00	60.00
Sisseton Mission	2,400.00	600.00	0.00	2,400.00	35.00	8.75	0.00	35.00
Standing Rock Mission	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	130.00	32.50	0.00	130.00
Vermillion - St. Paul's	12,228.00	3,057.00	3,057.00	9,171.00	180.00	45.00	0.00	180.00
Webster - St. Mary's	1,200.00	300.00	300.00	900.00	25.00	6.25	25.00	0.00
Yankton Mission	800.00	200.00	0.00	800.00	130.00	32.50	0.00	130.00
TOTAL MISSIONS	62,438.00	15,609.50	13,533.41	48,904.59	3,125.00	781.25	632.03	2,492.97
TOTAL PARISH AND MISSIONS	334,447.00	83,611.75	76,893.18	257,553.82	7,065.00	1,766.25	1,839.12	5,225.88



DIOCESAN CONVENTION
SEPTEMBER 10-11, 2010
RAMKOTA HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER
PIERRE, SD

Changes for this year:

- Date & Place (see above)
- Clergy Conference begins Friday at noon
 - Lunch by Host Deaneries
 - At Trinity Church, Pierre
 - Just Friday afternoon
- Registration fee is only \$50
- One night lodging
 - Lodging is \$77.99 + tax at the Ramkota if reserved by August 10. Call: 605-224-6877 and say you are with the Diocese of South Dakota (The 800 # will not be able to give the block rate.)
 - Other lodging options:

Kings Inn	224-5951 800-232-1112
Pierre Inn	224-5981 888-315-2378
River Lodge	224-4140 866-457-0088
Super 8 Motel	224-1617 800-800-8000 (nat'l)

CAMPGROUNDS

State Parks

Cow Creek	223-7722
Farm Island	800-710-2267
Oahe Downstream	800-710-2267
Okobojo Point	www.sdgifp.info
West Bend	800-710-2267

City of Pierre

Griffin Park	773-7407
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City of Ft. Pierre

Fischer's Lilly	Bad River, Ft. Pierre
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Private

Chantier Creek	567-3352
Cow Pasture	224-9139
Pike Haven	264-5465
Sunset Lodge	264-5480

MOTELS

AmericInn Hotel, Ft. Pierre	223-2358 800-634-3444 (nat'l)
Budget Host/State Motel	224-5896 800-283-4678 (nat'l)
Capitol Inn	224-6387 800-658-3055
Comfort Inn	224-0377 800-424-6423 (nat'l)
Days Inn	224-0411 800-329-7466
Ft. Pierre Motel	223-3111 800-286-0895
Governor's Inn	224-4200
Holiday Inn Express, Ft. Pierre	223-9045 800-315-2621 (nat'l)

If you haven't already done so, please notify the diocesan office ASAP of the names and addresses of convention delegates and alternates—and let the office know if there are any changes in your delegation in the months or weeks before the convention.



2010 Pre-Convention Deanery Meetings

An opportunity to prepare for upcoming convention business
Delegates and interested others are urged to attend.

<p>Central, Northwest, Rosebud, & Pine Ridge Deaneries</p> <p>Sat. Aug 14, 1pm Christ Church, Chamberlain 209 S. Main</p>	<p>Eastern & Northeastern Deaneries</p> <p>(separate meetings at 3:00 pm) Sun. Aug 15, 4pm St. Paul's, Brookings 726 Sixth Street 692-2617</p>	<p>Black Hills Deanery</p> <p>Sun. Aug 29, 2pm Location TBA</p>
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August 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
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26	27	28	29	30		

Deadline for Resolution
submissions is August 25.

**The Diocese of South Dakota 2010 Convention
September 10-11 ♦ Ramkota Hotel, Pierre**

Preliminary Convention Schedule

FRIDAY, September 10

- 11:30—3pm ECW Lunch & Meeting (*tentative*)
- 12:00 noon Clergy lunch @ Trinity
- 12:30—4:30 Clergy Conference @ Trinity

- 3-7 pm Registration and Credentialing, *lobby*
- 4-6 pm Various Meetings

- 6:00 pm Opening Reception

- 7:00 pm Plenary Session I, Initial Business
- 7:45 pm Workshop I

SATURDAY, September 11

- 8-10 am Registration
- 8:30 am Holy Eucharist, Convention Center

- 10:00 am Plenary Session II
Elections, Resolutions
- 10:30 am Workshop II

- 12:30 pm Lunch buffet

- 1:45 pm Workshop III
- 3:00 pm Plenary Session III, Final business

**Nomination Form
2010 Annual Diocesan Convention**

**Please fill in all areas, and return the form BY August 10 to be included in Registration packets
Diocesan Office
500 S. Main Avenue
Sioux Falls, SD 57104-6814**

Print Name of Nominee: _____

Address: _____

e-mail: _____

Telephone: (Day) _____ **(Eve or Cell)** _____

Congregation/City: _____

Nominated by: _____

(Signature)

___ **Yes, I accept this nomination:** _____

(Signature)

I nominate this person for:

___ **Secretary of Convention**

___ 1 Person to fill 3 year term (term expires 2013)

___ **Treasurer**

___ 1 Person to fill 3 year term (term expires 2013)

___ **Standing Committee**

___ 1 Presbyter (Priest) to fill 4 year term (term expires 2014)

___ 1 Lay person to fill 4 year term (term expires 2014)

___ **Province VI Deputy**

___ 1 Clergy (presbyter or deacon) to fill 2 year term (term expires 2012)

___ 1 Clergy (presbyter or deacon) to fill 3 year term (term expires 2013)

___ 1 Lay person to fill 1 year term (term expires 2011)

___ 1 Lay person to fill 2 year term (term expires 2012)

___ 1 Lay person to fill 3 year term (term expires 2013)

___ **Trial Court**

___ 1 Presbyter (Priest) for 5 year term (term expires 2015)

___ 1 Lay Person for 1 year term (term expires 2011)

Please send the candidate's brief biographical information and a recent photo.
Background information should include information that demonstrates the skills,
experience and commitment the nominee would bring to this position.

Position Descriptions

Standing Committee

- 1 Presbyter (Priest) to fill 4 year term (term expires 2014)
- 1 Lay person to fill 4 year term (term expires 2014)

With a Bishop in charge of the Diocese, the Standing Committee shall be the Bishop's Council of Advice. When the Diocese is without a Bishop...the Standing Committee of the diocese shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority as provided by the General Convention Constitution and Canons. The Standing Committee also plays a part in the ordination process. The Standing Committee consists of eight members, and election shall be made by the diocesan convention for a term of four years. Members are entitled to election for two terms. The Standing Committee meets 3-4 times a year, or as needed. A member of Standing Committee is a voting delegate to Annual Convention.

Province VI Deputy

- 1 Clergy (presbyter or deacon) to fill 2 year term (term expires 2012)
- 1 Clergy (presbyter or deacon) to fill 3 year term (term expires 2013)
- 1 Lay person to fill 1 year term (term expires 2011)
- 1 Lay person to fill 2 year term (term expires 2012)
- 1 Lay person to fill 3 year term (term expires 2013)

Each Province has a Synod which meets regularly (generally yearly around the Province) for the purpose of organizing and carrying out the responsibilities of the Province. The Provincial Synod can enact ordinances for its own regulation, elect judges of the Provincial Court of Review, perform such duties as may be committed to it by the General Convention, and deal with other matters within the Province, as directed and limited by Canon. Annual Diocesan Convention elects one clerical and one lay deputy and alternates to the Provincial Synod for a term of 3 years.

Trial Court

- 1 Presbyter (Priest) for 5 year term (term expires 2015)
- 1 Lay Person for 1 year term (term expires 2011)

Trial Court is an elected body consisting of five members (3 presbyters and 2 lay persons) for terms of five years for the trial of any priest or deacon subject to its jurisdiction. The Trial Court shall be governed by the Rules of Procedure set forth in Appendix A to the General Convention Title IV and by Federal Rules of Evidence.

Secretary of Convention

The Secretary is an Officer of Convention elected to serve a 3-year term. The Secretary shall record proceedings of Diocesan Convention. Other prescribed duties include attending public acts of the diocese, preparing the Diocesan Journal, and preserving records. Appointed assistants carry out many of these duties.

Treasurer

The Treasurer is an Officer of Convention elected to serve a 3-year term. The Treasurer has custody of all funds of the Diocese and the Chapter of Calvary Cathedral, with deposit, investment, and disbursement directed by Diocesan Council or the Chapter.



Summer Camp 2010

5 & 6 Grade/Family Camp

June 22-26

Senior High Camp

June 27-July 3

Middle School/Confirmation Camp

July 5-11



Other Thunderhead Episcopal Camp Dates to Save

Work Weekend

June 4-6

No cost - but let us know you are coming!

Alumni Retreat

June 11-14

\$100.00 - for all adults who were once campers or/and staff

Women's Retreat

July 23-25

\$100.00 includes food, lodging, and program supplies

Men's Retreat

July 30-Aug. 1

\$100.00 includes food, lodging, and program supplies

Sturgis Rally

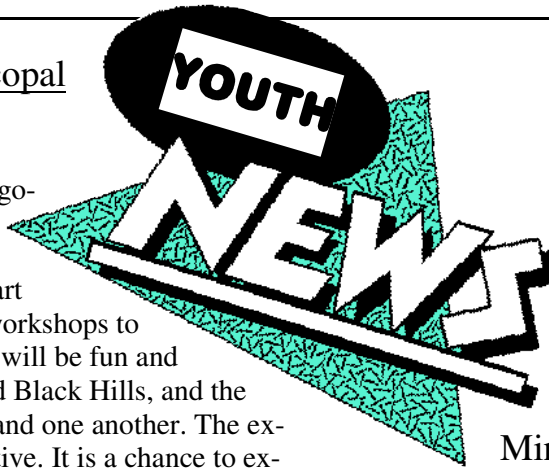
August 9-15

\$30.00/person/night for cabins - includes breakfast; available for individuals and groups

Thunderhead Episcopal Center is available for retreats, family reunions, and other events. Contact Holly Huisken at 351-1328 or 584-2233 or thunderhead@dakotablue.net to inquire or to make reservations for any of the above events.

Thunderhead Episcopal Camp

Camp this summer is going to be better than ever. We've got a great line-up of programs from art projects to Lakota dance workshops to the Bishop himself! There will be fun and games, the beautiful sacred Black Hills, and the chance to connect to God and one another. The experience of camp is formative. It is a chance to experience faith in a new and special setting. It is a chance to start the practice of pilgrimage, where we set aside special times in the year to connect to what we believe in our deepest hearts. Don't let other distractions or temptations get in the way of a session at Thunderhead.



Inviting God In: the Theology of Youth Ministry, Thunderhead Camp

Lots of people ask me what this year's theme will be for camp.

Drum roll please....

This year's theme will be: **Inviting God In**. Every aspect of the camp program for each of the sessions this summer will attempt to make room in our hearts, bodies, minds, and communities to invite God in. How will we do this?

- Through the discipline of liturgical practice. When we pray together, a lot, we start to open

And once again, we will pull together as a Diocese to get our young people to camp. Please contact **Rita Powell** if you would be willing to make a trip out to TEC and make it possible for young people to get there!

605-659-0110

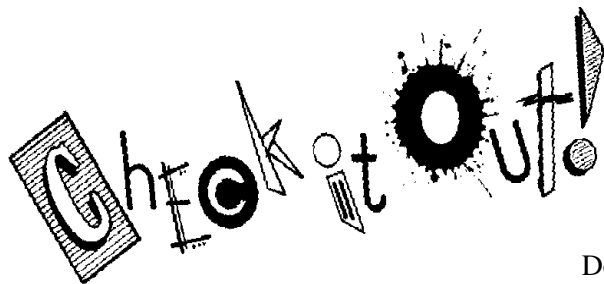
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up places inside of us where God can dwell. When we pray together, a lot, we start to fold our stories into each others', and into the big story of God and humanity.

- Through singing and dancing, playing, and being silly and serious together. When we love one another, we love God. When we love one another, we find that God is dwelling inside of us.
- Through learning and being challenged. New ideas, new challenges are ways of spiritual housecleaning. Don't you clean your house before your guests arrive? When we clean our inner rooms, we feel more ready to invite God in.

Come and be with us at Thunderhead this summer: we invite God in, and we invite YOU!



**SAVE THE DATE:
YOUTH CONVENTION
AT DIOCESAN CONVENTION**

September 11-12, 2010
Trinity, Pierre

Put it on your calendars now! This year's Youth Convention will be the Saturday night to Sunday morning of Diocesan Convention weekend in Pierre. Youth are invited to Diocesan Convention which begins on Friday and then to the all-youth event beginning midday Saturday. You won't want to miss it! September 10-12!

Plan to be in Pierre Friday night if you can, but definitely by midday on Saturday. We'll be making Godly Play figurines and getting ready for the band PARADISE FEARS to play for us!

**BASIC TRAINING DVD
PREMIERES IN MAY, JUNE**

May 15 at the Cathedral, and June 4 at the TEC work weekend, the new Basic Training DVD will be shown — at **5:00 pm**, with sodas and popcorn, and followed by conversation.

This DVD, made possible by a grant from the Niobrara Women, offers a foundation for youth ministry in your community. It will sharpen your work if you have a ministry going or give you the confidence to start up a youth ministry.

The DVD features wisdom from **Deacon Terry Star**, of North Dakota, our very own **Bishop Tar-rant**, and a few words from Diocesan Youth Coordinator **Rita Powell** too.

There are

- small group discussion questions
- wonderful pictures
- music from TEC counselor Jimmy Bloomquist and Native rapper Supaman.

Don't miss these premiere events!

Copies of the DVD will be available upon request.

May 2010

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@ Calvary
Cathedral,
Sioux Falls

June 2010

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@ TEC



2010 Summer Diocesan Youth Camps

You are invited to come and be a part of TEC this summer. We will sing and laugh and explore and pray through the rich beauty of the Black Hills. You don't want to miss it!

TEC Youth Camps are open to all young people through the Episcopal Diocese of South Dakota. No matter where you come from or where your faith is, you are welcome.

Please fill out and return this form so we can best prepare to welcome you to camp this summer!

Send forms, checks, etc. to: TEC Registration
500 South Main Ave
Sioux Falls, SD 57104

Send questions, comments or concerns to: youth.diocese@midconetwork.com
or call the Rev. Rita Powell at 605.659.0110

I. About YOU, the Camper, your Parents, and your Health

My name is: I am: Male Female

My birth date is: My e-mail is:

My address is:

My Parent or Guardian is:

Their phone is:

Their e-mail is:

Are they who we should call in an emergency? If not, please list someone else:

Please tell us about your health.

Do you have any dietary restrictions, allergies, or restrictions on activities?

If you take medication of any kind: Please attach a list of medications with instructions as to the time and dosage for administering them. Medications need to be in their original containers and will be turned over to camp staff upon arrival.

*** Please attach a copy of Camper's insurance card, Medicaid card, or IHS number!!! ****

PARENT/ GUARDIAN RELEASE

The health history for this child is correct to the best of my knowledge. This child has permission to attend camp and engage in all activities, except as noted above. If I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the Camp Director or Nurse to hospitalize, secure treatment, and to order injections, anesthesia, or surgery for my child.

Parent/ Guardian Signature and Date

II. About CAMP: Schedule, Cost, Expectations

Please circle which camp you will attend:

5th and 6th Grade and Family Camp June 22-26

Open to all families and kids of any age, especially elementary aged-kids. This camp will offer activities for kids and grownups, together and separately. There will be storytelling, singing, crafts and conversations. A great way to come explore TEC!

High School Camp June 27-July 3

Open to young people going into grades 9-12, this camp will offer a wide variety of ways to think about life through music and prayer. Come see old friends, make new friends, and do all your favorite camp activities!

Middle School/ Confirmation Camp July 19-25

Open to all who are entering grades 7-8. This session will have all the camp fun you could want AND it will give you what you need to know about being confirmed in the Episcopal Church. **Bishop John Tarrant** will be creating a great time around the classic church topics.

ARRIVAL/ DEPARTURES

Arrival at camp is at approximately 5 PM on the day the sessions starts. Departure is approximately 10 AM the day camp is over.

We need YOU to help again this year with getting kids to and from Thunderhead Camp. Call Rita with questions or to help!

What you need for Camp: Please circle which one describes you!

- I need/ I have a sleeping bag and pillow.
- I need/ I have towel and toiletries.
- I need/ I have clothes for outdoor activities.
- I need/ I have shoes for outdoor activities.

Behavior Expectations:

When you come to camp, you will be asked to sign a behavior contract that applies to all Diocesan Youth Events. No drugs, alcohol, tobacco, or anything that can be considered a weapon are to be brought to camp. Camp is a place of spiritual community and renewal. Because of this, we will ask you to turn in all cell phones and ipods, mp3 players, electronics so you can be present during your camp time. We will also insist that you refrain from inappropriate sexual or violent behavior while you are here. And, of course, to be respectful of everything here.

You should also know that completion of registration grants permission to use photos of you, taken at camp, for publicity purposes. Smile! ☺

Cost of Camp:

The Diocese of South Dakota feels strongly that its youth should have the opportunity to experience the sacredness of the Black Hills within the community of their peers in the church. We want you to come to camp! No one should feel they can not go to camp because they don't have the money. The Diocese subsidizes the operations and staffing of its youth camps to try to keep the camper fees down.

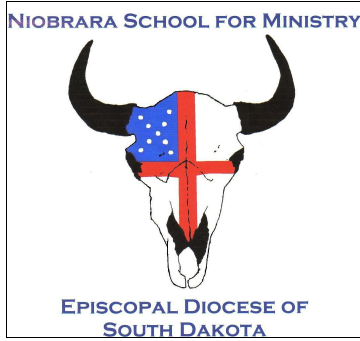
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- ___ I will need a full scholarship to come to camp.
- ___ I will need a partial scholarship for camp. I can contribute \$ _____
- ___ I do not need a scholarship to come to camp.

Camper fees include room and board, all activities. Fees are:

- Family Camp: \$100 per person or \$250 per family
- High School Camp: \$250
- Co-ed Middle School/ Confirmation Camp: \$225

Once you send us your registration form, check your mail for confirmation and for transportation and other camp info!



Niobrara School for Ministry

The Niobrara School for Ministry provides quality theological education for anyone, but especially for locally trained candidates for deacon and priest, and also for all licensed and specialized lay ministries and ministry teams. In addition, NSM offers possibilities for continuing education for clergy and lay leadership.

In the future NSM hopes to become a Diocesan School for Ministry which will include curriculum resources, training, and education for local congregations, and theological education materials for deanery and diocesan events.

At the present time the NSM has several components:

- Niobrara Summer Seminary
- Ministry Weekends

These events are open to anyone interested in theological education.

A calendar of courses for the remainder of 2010 is included here.

Be sure to check future issues of *ChurchNews* and the diocesan website for more information on all these courses.

Contact:

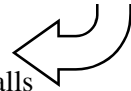
The Rev. Paul Sneve
PO Box 1606
Rapid City, SD 57709
605-343-6199
paul1@rushmore.com

Calendar of Courses

Note Date Change

Biblical Criticism

May 15, 2010
Calvary Cathedral, Sioux Falls



Niobrara Summer Seminary

Christian Worship and Liturgy, Part II

June 6-11, 2010
Thunderhead Episcopal Center

Text is the same as last year:

Introduction to Christian Worship, Rev. Ed

by James F. White

Culture of Poverty

August 20-21, 2010
Trinity, Pierre

Dakota Experience

November 5-6, 2010
Calvary Cathedral, Sioux Falls

■ The family of **The Most Rev. Walter Jones** has established a trust in the Diocese of South Dakota to provide encouragement and support for continuing ministry education. Should there be more than one applicant annually for the available funding, preference will be given to those of native heritage. Contact Randy Barnhardt in the Diocesan Office if you have questions regarding the provisions of this fund or if you wish to apply for support.
 605-338-9751
 randy.diocese@midconetwork.com

Textbooks: Copies are ordered for you only upon request, so request early to have it in a timely fashion. You may also purchase your own copy from your favorite vendor.

Notes on 2010 Courses:

Biblical Criticism

Develop skills to help leaders better understand the background and intent of Holy Scripture.

Culture of Poverty (August, 2010)

Required text: What Every Church Member Should Know About Poverty, by Bill Ehlig and Ruby Payne. Revised 2005.

**NIOBRARA SCHOOL FOR MINISTRY
MINISTRY WEEKEND REGISTRATION FORM**

I am registering for:

_____ **Biblical Criticism**, May 15, 2010 at Calvary Cathedral, Sioux Falls

_____ **Culture of Poverty**, August 20-21, 2010 at Trinity, Pierre

_____ I will need lodging in Pierre

_____ **Dakota Experience (East)**, November 5-6, 2010 at Calvary Cathedral

_____ I will need lodging in Sioux Falls

Name _____

Address _____

Phone(s) _____

e-mail _____

Fee: \$15 toward meals & materials for a One-Day Session

\$30 for a Two-Day Session

****Send registration form and fees, at least 2 weeks in advance of class,**

To: The Rev. Paul Sneve

St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

P.O. Box 1606

Rapid City, SD 57701-1606

Questions? Call Fr. Paul at 605-381-2018

Application for Niobrara Summer Seminary 2010

Please TYPE or PRINT clearly.

(A separate form should be filled out for each student.)

1. Student Name _____
2. Mailing Address _____
(Please write "General Delivery" if that is how you receive mail.)
3. City, State, Postal Code _____
4. Primary Telephone # _____
5. Alternate phone numbers *(indicate cell/work/fax)*

6. E-mail address _____
7. Tribal Affiliation _____
8. a) Home parish or mission _____
b) City & State _____
9. Expenses (check all that apply & enclose a check for the total amount):
 - Tuition: \$50** *(ALL students must check this box)*
 - Room and Board: SuperTent, double occupancy: \$200
 - Room and Board: SuperTent, single occupancy: \$250
 - Room and Board: Cabin, double occupancy: \$175
 - Meals Only: \$100
 - Book** \$20
10. Date of application _____
11. Signature _____
(Please have guardian sign if applicant is under 18.)

Registrations should be mailed to:

Niobrara School for Ministry
PO Box 1606
Rapid City, SD 57709

Questions and/or registrations can also be sent via e-mail to: stmatts@rushmore.com
You may also contact Fr. Paul Sneve at 605-342-6199

Text is the same as last year: **Introduction to Christian Worship, Rev. Ed
by James F. White

Reconciliation . . .

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I can hear some people already saying, “that’s splitting hairs.” But I am no more splitting hairs than those of the dominate culture do all the time to make their argument more palatable. The truth is . . . “power” is what enables racism.

When we use this formula, when prejudice is added to power, the outcome is likely to result in open oppression of people of color, in this case the Native people of our diocese. Oppression, as defined by Merriam/Webster, is an “unjust or cruel exercise of power or authority.” In this context I believe one could add “whether conscious or unconscious. “

The natural and obvious result of combining these two items, the formula and belief of dominate culture people, is that Native people have suffered for decades. See, if we spend our time talking about definitions we do not ever have to address the real issue or come up with a plan to RECONCILE the issue. So people go about their daily lives letting the status quo remain in place and making excuses for not seeing the face of God in everyone! As Christians, we need to be about the work that God would have us do.

It is a simple and logical step to move from having a formula to using the formula to oppress Native people. But it is more than that. As I stated before, our education system teaches racism. We learn all during our lives that Native people (and other people of color) are not as good as dominate culture people are, and we practice it on a daily basis. I too have been guilty of this so I speak from what I know, not from guess work or speculation. I would be the first to admit that making changes in how and what we do is difficult, but not impossible. I try to unlearn one bad thing every day to be a better person.

However, before we can truly understand how we can accomplish this task, we must understand another term, “White Privilege,” and I will write about that in my next article. I hope that my articles will create a more understanding and respectful environment for us to more faithfully seek and serve Christ

in all persons, loving our neighbor as ourselves.

Peace to all, as we work for reconciliation!

Sam Robertson
Chamberlain, SD

POWER + PREJUDICE = RACISM

(In anticipation of Sam Robertson’s next article, the editor found the following to be thought-provoking.)

What is White Privilege?

The 11th annual White Privilege Conference was held in April, 2010 at LaCrosse, WI. Next year’s conference is scheduled to be in Minneapolis. The annual White Privilege Conference (WPC) serves as a yearly opportunity to examine and explore difficult issues related to white privilege, white supremacy and oppression.

Just to give an idea of the depth and breadth of this issue and efforts, here are some of the workshops offered at WPC 11:

2010 Comprehensive Immigration Reform

A World of Difference - Building a school environment where differences are welcomed, valued, and appreciated.

AHA: Acknowledge, Heal, Act for Peace & Liberation

A Different Drummer: Using Multiple Ways of Knowing to Explore Thoughts and Feelings about Our Relationship to Race, Racism and Privilege

A Matter of Life and Death: Liberating Ourselves and Our Students from the Educational System

“Achievement” Gap or “Opportunity” Gap?: Countering Deficit Ideology in Education

Are Your Classroom Practices “Equitable” or “Equal?”

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- “But I’m Not Racist!”: Racial Microaggressions and Unintentional Racism
- Creating Social Justice in Organizations
- Crossing Boundaries: The Culture of Whiteness
- Cultural Humility Versus Cultural Competence: Entering Into Life-Long Learning and Self-Reflection
- Developing a Listening-Centered Approach to Privilege
- Education of the Future Citizen for a Shared, Sustainable World
- Ending Internalized Racism: Listening and Emotional Healing as a Tool
- Ethics and Leadership: Making Choices for Social Justice
- Exploring White Racial Identity Development with Teachers/Students
- Facilitating White Caucuses: Challenges, Dilemmas, and Best Practices
- Free Land: Excavating the Legacy of Manifest Destiny and White Privilege
- From MisEducation to ReEducation and Transformation: Learning to Live and Work for Equity & Social Justice from a Position of Privilege
- From Redline to Flatline: US Health Care Crisis
- Grown-Ups Making the Space for Youth Voice on White Privilege
- “How Can You Say That? I’m Only Trying to Help!”: Exploring the Value of Critical Feedback
- How Do You Do It?: Teaching to Reach Diverse Learners
- How to Make the Invisible Visible: Tools for Pulling Back the Veil of Privilege
- How To Start A "White People Challenging Racism: Moving From Talk to Action" Workshop in Your Community
- I’m a Better Anti-Racist Than You: Ego and Humility
- Identity Politics and Whiteness in Latino/a culture
- Interracial Dialogue for Women: Confronting Privilege and Building Relationships
- Negative Effects of White Privilege for People of Color
- Just Do It! Skills for Making Your Voice Heard
- Localizing Literary Whiteness: Post-Critical Whiteness Studies in the Contemporary American Novel
- Making Your School or Classroom a Force for Dismantling Racism
- Mental Health Disparities: How Is It A Problem and What Can I Do About It?
- Motivating People from Privileged Groups to Support Social Justice
- Moving White People to Action
- Nothing to Add: White Silence in Racial Discussions
- Palestine 101 – Occupation, Racism & Apartheid – Palestinian & Jewish Perspectives
- People of Color Identity: White Supremacy & Internalized Racist Oppression
- Religious/Spiritual Diversity and Pluralism in a context of Christian Privilege
- Solidarity vs. Charity: In Whose Interests?
- Speaking Truth About Your Privilege
- Straightlaced–How Gender’s Got Us All Tied Up
- Teach Respect Not Racism: White Anti-Racist Solidarity in Local Multi-Racial Struggle to Reject Racist Mascots
- Teaching Resilience: What Makes Disadvantaged Children Give Up...and How We Can Teach Them Not to
- What I Said and What I Meant: Cross Cultural Communication
- The Environment as a Weapon: How Environmental Racism Affects Communities of Color
- We Oppose Racism & Unearned Privilege...Now What?
- White America’s Islamophobia
- Uprooting Christian Hegemony

... and more!

Rustic Cabins In The Black Hills

Owned by the Episcopal Diocese of South Dakota on land leased since 1922 from the Black Hills National Forest

Located off the Needles Highway (#87):
South of Sylvan Lake—3 m. north of Playhouse Road.

3 screened cabins sleeping 4-6 +, each with an outhouse.

Use 1 cabin or more for a minimum donation of \$30 per night per cabin.

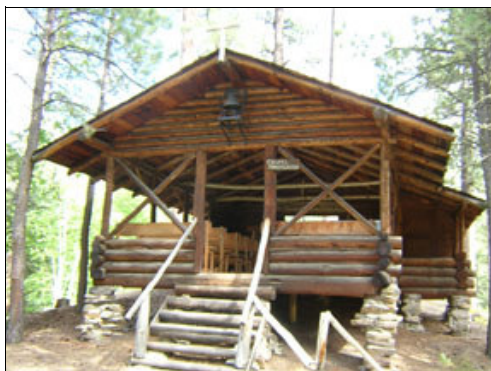
Provided: beds, mattresses, pots, pans, plates, cups, silverware, propane stove and refrigerator, fireplace. Water can be carried from nearby covered spring.

Bring your own: bedding or sleeping bags, blankets, towels, food and beverages, and lighting - fluorescent lanterns, propane lamps, Coleman lanterns with fuel, etc.

Episcopal services at the quaint Chapel of the Transfiguration on Sundays in July through Labor Day at 10:30 a.m.



The Bishop's Cabin at Camp Remington



Chapel of the Transfiguration

FOR RESERVATIONS - Call Randy Barnhardt
at 605-338-9751

FOR INFORMATION - Call Tony Gonsor at
605-673-2205

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Diocesan Calendar

<p style="text-align: center;">MAY</p> <p>May 2 Bishop visits Milbank May 9 Bishop visits Emmanuel, Rapid May 14-16 Bishop visits Rosebud Mission May 15 Niobrara School (<i>Biblical Criticism</i>) May 15 Basic Training DVD, Sioux Falls May 23 Bishop visits Santee Mission</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JUNE</p> <p>Jun 4-6 Work Weekend at TEC Jun 4 Basic Training DVD, TEC Jun 6 Bishop visits Spearfish Jun 6-11 Summer Seminary, TEC Jun 10 <i>ChurchNews</i> deadline Jun 11-14 TEC Alumni Retreat Jun 13 Bishop visits Lead Jun 17-20 Niobrara Convocation, Sisseton Mission Jun 22-26 5&6 Grade/Family Camp Jun 22-24 Province VI meetings June 24-26 Province VI Synod, Des Moines Jun 27 Bishop visits Hot Springs Jun 27-Jul 3 Senior High Camp</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JULY/AUGUST</p> <p>Jul 5-11 Middle School/Confirmation Camp Jul 23-25 Women's Retreat at TEC</p>	<p>Jul 30-8/1 Men's Retreat at TEC Aug 10 <i>ChurchNews</i> deadline Aug 14 Pre-Convention Deanery Meeting, Chamberlain Aug 15 Bishop visits Webster Aug 15 Pre-Convention Deanery Meeting, Brookings Aug 20-21 Niobrara School (<i>Culture of Poverty</i>) Aug 22 Bishop visits Gregory Aug 25 Resolutions due Aug 27-28 Diocesan Council Retreat, TEC Aug 29 Pre-Convention Deanery Meeting, Black Hills area</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER</p> <p>Sep 10 Clergy Conference Sep 10-11 Diocesan Convention, Pierre Sep 11-12 Youth Convention, Pierre Sep 15-22 House of Bishops Sep 26 Bishop visits Sturgis Oct 1-2 Commission on Ministry, Pierre Oct 3 Bishop visits Ft. Pierre Oct 8-9 Niobrara School (<i>Preaching ...</i>) Oct 10 Bishop visits Madison Oct 17 Bishop visits Yankton Oct 24 Bishop visits Brookings Oct 31 Bishop visits Pine Ridge Mission</p>
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138th Niobrara Convocation
(2010)
June 17-20, 2010

Hosted by:
the Sisseton Mission
St. Mary's Church
Old Agency

Hospitality funds can be sent to:
Bonnie Bellonger
12906 BIA Hwy 700
Peever, SD 57257

Area Lodging

Sisseton
Super 8 800-800-8000
Holiday Motel 698-7644
I-29 Motel 698-4314
Viking Motel 698-7663

Waubay
Circle Pines Motel 947-8455

Webster
Bears Den Lodging 345-4445
Day County Inn 345-4701
Holiday Motel 345-3323
Northern Lights 345-2400
Stonefire Motel 345-4329

Watertown
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Hankinson, ND
Dakota Magic Casino 701-634-3201

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