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For the Week of September 15, 2019



IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Today we welcome Jennie Smith as our new Director of Finance and Operations. Pastor Jim Rasmussen, who has served in this position for the past 6+ years is moving into the position of Director of Discipleship, with a focus on new member connections process, Christian growth, and member engagement, in addition to preaching and teaching responsibilities. Jennie has a background in human resources and has served in administrative leadership capacities on the mission field in Russia and Germany and for other church and non-profit ministries. Jennie is married to Rev. Dr. Brent Smith, who serves as Mission Development Counselor for Mission Central in Mapleton, IA. They have three children, Zach, who is a freshman at UNO, Katelyn, who is a junior at Millard North and Sophia, who is a freshman at Millard North.

The Board of Directors has called a **Congregational Assembly** for next Sunday, Sept. 22, at 12:00pm in the Sanctuary. The agenda includes a report from the Youth Director Call Committee, an update on the congregation's finances, a report on the opening weeks of the expanded Little Lamb Preschool & Childcare; discussion of forming a visioning group to look at the future of the Family Campus at 168th Street and Giles Road; and a report on staffing changes. Please join us for this important meeting. Childcare will be provided.



Time to make your Lifetouch Photography appointment! Please go to the church website: **dsomaha.org** to find the link to set up your own session. Photographers

will be here Sept. 24-28. More appointments will

be made available as needed. You will receive a **FREE 8x10 picture** (and option to purchase more), **plus a printed directory**. Please don't wait—we want everyone to be included in the new church directory! Call the church office if you have any questions—402-895-1500. We are also in need of a few volunteers to help with appointments.



Weekend Sermons

September 14-15
That Self Concept Needs Some Work

1 Timothy 1:12-17

September 21-22
The Master's Mercy
Text: Luke 16:1-15

September 28-29
What About Angels?
Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3

NOTICE

There will be no Wednesday Evening Upper Room worship service this fall. We look forward to seeing everyone in our weekend services.



Adult Bible Studies

New Bible Study Wednesday nights: It was while reading St.

Paul's epistle to the Romans that Martin Luther's view of God was transformed -- from that of a righteous and angry judge to a loving Father who gives sinners the gift of his righteousness through Jesus Christ. Luther later called Romans "really the chief part of the New

Testament ... every Christian should know it word for word ... and ... occupy themselves with it every day, as the daily bread of the soul." Join Pastor Jim Wednesday nights from 6:15 to 7:30, beginning Sept. 11, in Shepherd's Room to study **Romans: Saved for a Transformed Life.**

Tuesday Morning Bible Study has begun!

10:00-11:15am

Topic: God's Crime Scene

There are four ways to die, and only one of them requires an intruder. Suicides, accidental, and natural deaths can occur without any evidence from outside the room. But murders typically involve suspects external to the crime scene. If there's evidence of an outside intruder, homicide detectives have to prepare for a chase. Intruders turn death scenes into crime scenes.

This video-based study, led by Pastor Hannemann, features J. Warner Wallace, former atheist, seasoned cold-case detective, and popular national speaker as he tackles his most important case...with you on the jury!

With the expertise of a cold-case detective, J. Warner examines eight critical pieces of evidence in the "crime scene" of the universe to determine if they point to a Divine Intruder. If you have ever wondered if something (or someone) outside the natural realm created the universe and everything in it, this is the case for you.



The Usher and Greeter Ministry Needs You--both are a great way to get to know other church members and a good way to serve the Lord.

We are especially in need of ushers at the 9:15 and 10:45am services.

For information or to sign up to usher or greeter, please contact [Tia Kosiski at tia@dsomaha.org](mailto:tia@dsomaha.org) or 402-895-1500.



Volunteers Needed—please call the Church Office if you can help—402-895-1500.

Lifetouch Photography—we need "greeters" for 2.5 hour shifts Sept. 24-28. Bonus: you'll get to know some new faces and help us out at the same time!

Kitchen Help—Jennifer would love help in the kitchen for childcare and Midweek Wednesday meals.

Men's Bible Studies

The Great Deceiver - Thursdays, 6:00am at Vidlak's Café—156th & West Center Road.

James - Fridays, 6:15am, Shepherd's Room, led by Paul Koehler and Harry Mathis.



Women's Ministry Faith (Bible Studies)

Coffee with the Savior - Mondays, 10-11:15am, Trinity Center. Led by Trish Reinbold. Call the church office to sign up: 402-895-1500.

Begins September 23

Prayer, an Adventure with God, Sundays at 9:15am, Shepherd's Room. Led by Dena Nigh

Tough Stuff Parenting, Wednesdays, 9-11:00am, Trinity Room. Led by Kristin Herrera—childcare provided.



Confirmation Classes

6:15- 7:30pm Wednesdays

6th & 7th--Trinity Room (Downstairs)

8th--Luther Chapel (Upstairs)

High School/Middle School Sunday Study

9:15am Youth Room

High School Youth Group

7:30-9:00pm Wednesdays, begins Sept. 11
Youth Room.

Please register online at: dsomaha.org

Spring Break Belize Mission Trip, March 14-21, 2020. Open to all High School Youth. Contact Tia at tia@dsomaha.org for more information.



HEADS UP!! Our Sunday School and Midweek programs have begun!

Wednesdays 6:15-7:30pm--**Midweek Classes** are available for 3 year olds through 5th grade (Parents—join our Bible Study in the Shepherd's Room while our kids are in class)

Sundays 9:15-10:15am—**Sunday School**

News & Notes



Altar Flowers are given by are by Paul & Marti Steege in celebration of their 45th wedding anniversary Sept. 13 **AND** Chuck & Bonnie Clark in memory of sister Judy Hanson.



Midweek Meals

Wednesday, Sept. 18--TACOS

Due to rising food costs, the Midweek meals for adults will now be **\$6.00**—kids will remain the same at \$3.50. Jennifer is looking for volunteers to help serve/clean-up a couple times a month. Please email jennifer@dsomaha.org or call 402-891-5751 to sign up for this fun fellowship!

Women's Canasta Card Group will meet the last Tuesday of each month at 1:00pm in the Chapel. Everyone is welcome. You do not need to know how to play--we will teach you. Call Jan Tieken at 402-895-3262 if you have questions.

Musicians are invited to join the Divine Shepherd orchestra to play for 8:00am worship on Sunday, October 6. Rehearsal will be held on Saturday, October 5, at 9:30am in the sanctuary. Music will be available on the Wednesday before rehearsal. If you are interested and would like more information, contact the church office or send an email to Suzanne Raabe at suzraabe@hotmail.com.



Nursery Help Needed This is a part-time, paid position. If you love little ones and can help us out, please contact Kristina Blythe at

402-612-0067.

Choir News

Chancel Choir is for men and women from ages 14 and over. We meet for rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 6:20-7:30 in the choir room downstairs. This choir sings nearly every Sunday at the 8:00am service and this year we especially need sopranos and tenors, but we will welcome any singer with open arms. Please join us as we sing praises to our Lord.

Mission Belle Singers is a women's choir that presents programs at retirement homes in Omaha and also sings for worship occasionally. We have rehearsals on Thursday mornings at 9:00 in the main sanctuary and give programs at homes once or twice a month. This is such a rewarding ministry and we give all glory to God. Come join us.

Men's Chorus sings for a worship service every 6 weeks and has rehearsals two weeks prior to that service. Watch the Heartbeat for this group's schedule. We hope to see some new faces at our first rehearsal on Wednesday, Sept. 25 at 7:30pm in the Choir Room.

Questions? Please call Betty Buller at 402-490-3668.

Important Dates for your Calendar

Sept. 22	Congregational Meeting 12:00
Sept. 24-28	Lifetouch Photography sessions
Oct. 2-30	Grief Group (5) Wednesdays, 7-8:00pm
Oct. 6-Nov 17	New Member Classes (7) Sundays, 9:15am
Oct. 19-20	Holy Land Olive Wood Carvings

Contact the staff at Divine Staff

Telephone: 402-895-1500

To E-mail Staff Members:

firstname@dsomaha.org

If you or a loved one is hospitalized, in a nursing facility or homebound due to illness, please call the Church Office, 402-895-1500 and let us know. Pastors are here to make visits and to pray for comfort and healing, and bring the Lord's Supper to those who can't make it to church.

This Week's Calendar

Monday, September 16

1:00pm **Prayer Shawl Group** (Shepherd's Room)

Tuesday, September 17

10-11:15am **Adult Bible Study** *God's Crime Scene* (Chapel)

7:00pm **Board of Directors Meeting**

Wednesday, September 18

9-11:00am **Women's Bible Study** *Tough Stuff Parenting* (Trinity Center)

4:45-6:00pm **Midweek Meal** (CLC) Tacos

5:00pm **HOPE Choir** (Sanctuary)

5:55pm **Shalom Choir** (Choir Room)

6:15-7:30pm **Midweek Classes/Confirmation**

Bible Study *Romans: Saved for a Transformed Life* (Shepherd's Room)

6:20pm **Chancel Choir** (Choir Room)

7:30pm **High School Youth Group**

Thursday, September 19

6:00am **Men's Bible Study** Vidlak's)

9:00am **Mission Belles** (Chancel)

9-11:30am **Momsnext Meeting** (Room 15)

7:30pm **AI-Anon** (Commons Room)

Friday, September 20

6:15am **Men's Bible Study** (Shepherd's Room)

1:00pm **Bridge Group** (Chapel)

Saturday, September 21

5:00pm **Evening Praise Worship** (Sanctuary) with Holy Communion

Sunday, September 22

8:00am **Traditional Service** (Sanctuary) with Holy Communion

8:45-11:00 **Fellowship Time with Coffee & Donuts** (Chapel)

9-11:00am **Blood Pressure Screening**

9:15-10:15 **Sunday School** (Lower Level)

9:15am **Women's Bible Study** *Prayer, an Adventure with God* (Shepherd's Room)

9:15am **Modern Worship** (Sanctuary) with Holy Communion

10:45am **Modern Worship** (Sanctuary) with Holy Communion

10:45am **Baptism Class** (Shepherd's Room)

12:00pm **Congregational Assembly** (Sanctuary)