

**CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, February 22**

NO	Adult Bible Study
10:30 am	Worship
11:30 am	Coffee Hi
6:00 pm	Confirmation I

**Tuesday, February 24**

10:00am- Noon	Coffee with Pastor Katie @ The Bean
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**Wednesday, February 25**

5:30 pm	LAF
6:00 pm	Confirmation II
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal

**Sunday, March 1**

9:00 am	Adult Bible Study
10:30 am	Worship- Communion
11:30 am	Coffee HI
6:00 pm	Confirmation I

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**Worship Leaders and Church Staff**

Rev. Katie Miller - Sr. Minister	Rev. Elaine Miller - Minister of Visitation
Benjamin Barth - Organist	Kari Jensen - Christian Ed Director
Gretchen Burbach - Choral Director	Taylor Ebsen - Church Administrator
Anthony Burbach - Bell Director/ Piano	Sarah Gregg - Church Financial Officer
Paul Ebsen - Media Director	Kathy Hasenbank, Linda Moe - Custodians

**2025-2026 Interns**

Madison Maschmann- Choir, Alto  
Maleah Wright - Choir, Soprano  
Sam VanGerpen - Choir, Tenor  
Charlee Huska - LAF, Nursery  
Tommy Gress - Organ  
Lucas Thomas- Media Intern



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PRELUDE	“Offertoire no. 5”	Léon Boëllmann
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**WELCOME**

Friendship Pads  
Announcements  
Joys and Concerns

*Please also complete a “Prayer Card” and put it in the collection plate.*

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Introit	“Give Me a Clean Heart”	188
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*Give me a clean heart so I may serve you. God, fix my heart so that I may be used by you. For I'm not worthy of all these blessings. Give me a clean heart and I'll follow you.*

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Blessed are those whose burdens are lifted, whose broken places are met with grace.

**We come carrying what is heavy, trusting God to meet us here.**

When we hold our pain inside, the ground beneath us feels dry and cracked.

**But when we speak truth, God breaks open the soil and new life begins.**

God is our shelter in seasons of struggle and our guide through uncertain paths.

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**With open hearts, we come to worship.**

Lent reminds us that transformation begins beneath the surface, in quiet and faithful acts. Through generosity, we help nurture justice, compassion, and community where hope is needed most. Let us offer what we have with grateful hearts, trusting that even small seeds can grow into abundant life.

ACOLYTE: Kadence Hill  
 USHERS: Dave Hulkonen, Confirmation Class  
 COFFEE HI: Hulkonen Family  
 DEACON OF THE DAY: Nova Donstad  
 NURSERY: Mahowald Family

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **TAIZE REIMAGINED**

Join us for meditative song, silence and readings in the manner of Taize. This month we are holding our gathering at the St. Paul's Episcopal church at the corner of Linden and Main in Vermillion. Starting time is **8:30 pm, Wednesday, February 25, 2026** and will be slightly more than a half hour long.

### **USD SPRING CHORAL SHOWCASE**

The University of South Dakota Music Department presents its Spring Choral Showcase on Sunday, March 1 at 3:00 pm in Aalfs Auditorium at Slagle Hall. The concert features the Symphonic Choir, Legacy Swing, and the Chamber Singers under the direction of Dr. David Holdhusen. The choirs will perform music by master composers like Haydn, as well as modern repertoire, spirituals, and folk songs. The concert is free and open to the public. If you would like additional information, please contact David Holdhusen, david.holdhusen@usd.edu or (605) 658-3467.

### **VERMILLION MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION**

#### **LENTEN PRAYER SERVICES**

You're invited to Lenten Prayer Services and Lunch  
Prayer Service 12:00 pm Lunch 12:30 pm.

- Friday, March 6- Vermillion United
- Friday, March 13- United Church of Christ
- Friday, March 20- St. Paul's Episcopal Church
- Friday, March 27- St. Agnes Catholic Church
- Friday, April 3- First Baptist Church

### **4th ANNUAL TPAN FUNDRAISER**

Rooted in resilience across generations, we continue to show up — grounded in care, community, and hope — working toward a South Dakota where transgender people are not pushed to leave the place they

call home. Generations of trans lives, families, and futures are rooted here. The 4th Annual TPAN Fundraising Gala is an opportunity to strengthen the capacity to respond to discriminatory legislation, expand life-saving resources, and stand alongside trans South Dakotans. Together, we are investing in a future where trans people are safe, supported, and able to live openly and authentically right here in South Dakota. UCCV has been invited to sponsor a table at the Gala on Friday, March 13. If you would like to contribute toward sponsoring our table, please email the church office at [uccv@uccvermillion.org](mailto:uccv@uccvermillion.org).

If you would like to donate to the Vermillion United Church of Christ, Congregational using PayPal, please scan this QR code with your phone.

