

B.L.A.S.T. will begin on Oct. 4!!

It will be the first Wednesday of the month through May, 2018.
There is something for **EVERYONE** in your family.

6:00 p.m. Come and eat with your church family.
6:30 p.m. Go to your particular group.
Elementary for fun, crafts, and learning about Jesus
Middle School for fun time and games
Senior High - MYF
Adults – all ages for learning and discussion time

Make that first Wednesday of every month
time with your family and your church family!!!

God bless you all,
The B.L.A.S.T. committee

Charge Conference

will be Sunday, Oct. 29 at 3 pm. Gregory, Burke, Her-
rick, and Colome will be in
attendance, also. District
Superintendent Kevin
Kloster will lead the
worship service.

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The **Dakota Wesleyan  
Highlanders Choir** will be  
in Winner on Thurs., Nov.  
2. We will need housing for  
the students and staff.  
Please let the office know if  
you would be able to host a  
couple of students over-  
night.

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### Food Pantry

request for October is  
cereal, pork & beans,  
and canned vegetables.

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# THE VISION OCTOBER

OFFERING INFORMATION:  
Offering needed to meet the  
monthly 2017 budget:  
\$23,295.60  
Offering received in  
September: 17,103.45

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### HELP!!

Can you push a button on and  
off? Then you can run the  
soundboard!!  
Can you read? Then you can  
follow along with the words to  
the music!!



AV Ministry  
might be the place  
for you. Let Dan  
Patmore, Pastor  
John or the office  
know if you are interested in  
helping. Thank you!!

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The **Silent Auction**  
sponsored by Friendship Club  
will start on Nov. 5  
and end Dec. 3 at  
11:00 am. Get  
creative and make  
a "basket" or some-  
thing for the auction.



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Blue Bucket  
money for the month  
of October is for the  
Sr. Citizen's Building  
Fund.



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Consecration Sunday  
October 22  
We will turn in our pledge  
cards at both services. More  
information coming soon.

*I pledge...*

Leadership Council  
Sept. 17, 2017

Members present: Pastor John, Alona Burtz, Lillie Palmer, Todd Bicek, Malon Burtz, Yvon Burtz, Dianne Fisher, Rick Faubion, Angie Bicek, Donna Duffy, Garry Brown, Wade Burtz, Clint Vanneman, Carol Brown, and Eva Watzel.

Pastor John gave the opening prayer.

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting was made by Wade and second by Dianne. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the treasure's report was made by Wade and second by Carol. Motion carried. Alona explained that Pastor's ARP does not need approval because it is part of his compensation package and is already approved.

**MINISTRY REPORTS:**

**PASTOR:** See new business

**HS YOUTH – TODD:** They are going to paint the 3 walls of the HS Sunday School room.

**CHR. ED. – ANGIE:** They have lots of children attending Sunday School. They still need 3 teachers.

**OUTREACH:** They will meet in October. The next things coming up are Faith Fudge and the Christmas offering.

**HOSPITALITY:** No report

**SPR:** They will meet next week.

**WORSHIP:** Pastor gave them a list of all his sermon themes for October through December. They will be decorating for Christmas on Wed., Nov. 29 starting at 5 pm. Any help would be appreciated. Christmas Eve is on Sunday this year so there will be only one morning service at 10 am and then both Christmas Eve services at 5 pm and 9 pm that night.

**TRUSTEES:** No report

**FINANCE:** They met and started working on the pledge drive. The Edward Jones fund is doing well. The 2018 Budget requests will be coming out soon. They need to be returned by Oct. 22 so they can work on the budget for next year.

**CARES:** They will meet on Sept. 26 to plan the Halloween bags.

**SMALL GROUP:** No report

**FUNERAL:** There were 2 funerals: Cleo Barry and Ernie Schuppan. Lunch was served elsewhere.

**AV:** No report

**OLD BUSINESS:** Eva said Thank you for the use of the pie racks for the Car Show.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Discussed our vision and goals for the church. Just a reminder: Charge Conference will be Oct. 29 at 3 pm. An update on Classical Conversations was given. They

**ADJOURN:** Yvon made a motion to adjourn and Dianne second. Motion carried.

**CLOSING PRAYER:** Wade gave the opening prayer.

Lillie Palmer

# PASTOR JOHN'S PONDERINGS

OCTOBER 2017

The full Fall schedule is under way and it is wonderful!! There are groups meeting in the church throughout the week and there is lots of activity!! Most exciting to me is the addition of new groups that are meeting weekly or monthly. Adding new opportunities to grow in our faith and to be involved in the life of the church are signs of an active, living, and vibrant body of Christ. Way to go!!

Starting in the month of October, I will begin a new sermon series called "The Enemies of Gratitude". It is about those things that keep us from having the "attitude of gratitude" that God desires. Those 'things' are nostalgia, worry, entitlement, greed, and disappointment. Join us on Sunday mornings as we call out these things that keep us from being truly grateful to God!!

During the month of October we will also be conducting our annual generosity campaign. I want to begin by thanking many of you who responded in amazing ways last year and by encouraging you each to consider what God is calling you to offer this upcoming year as well. Along these lines, please note where you are on your commitment to the church for this year. It is a wonderful blessing if we can honor the commitments we make, but we also understand that, at times, life throws us a curve. Blessings in your decisions and considerations — both for 2017 as well as 2018 — may they be covered in prayer and holy discernment!!

**Faith Focus:** For the month of October, please take time to read, ponder, and pray through Jesus' words from Matthew 22: 21.

*"Then Jesus told them, "Give the Emperor what belongs to him and give God what belongs to God."*

Here Jesus is talking about money. What else do people have a hard time giving?

How are all of our giving habits and ways we give indicative of our faith and trust in God? Where can you grow?

**NEW Member CLASSES:** If you are new to the church or have been 'attending' and would like to 'belong' - consider this opportunity!!

We will meet three Sunday evenings to get to know each other and to talk about the United Methodist Church and our church. If you are transferring from another United Methodist church, you are welcome at all three sessions but need to come to just the last one (\*).

# Winner MYF

## MYF NEWS AND HAPPENINGS:

We began the new year at MYF with a fun kick-off event on Sunday, September 10th!! We had sloppy joes plus a great variety of salads and deserts supplied by YOU!! Thanks to all who came, ate, played, and learned about the year ahead in MYF.

MYF began on September 13th and we had a GREAT opening night!! Just over FIFTY youth in grades six through twelve came to enjoy a wonderful meal followed by High School MYF or MS MYF. The second week the high school youth tackled painting the youth room and it looks great — stop by and take a look!! (Yes, they preserved all the hand prints and names!!)

Tia and Todd have provided great leadership so far and we look forward to a great year with our MYF groups!!

## Upcoming Dates to Remember:

October 15 – Chili/BINGO  
October 25 – Guest Bobby Jones  
October 27-28 – Confirmation Retreat  
October 31 – Trunk or Treat  
November 10-12 – DakYouth2017  
November 15 – Spaghetti Dinner

## SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER!

On Wednesday, October 25th, we will host a very special guest speaker at our church. Bobby Jones is a Yankton native who played some D-I football for a time, but struggled while at college. He shares his testimony and experience from the heart. Jones is the featured speaker for Red Ribbon Week and is adding this special faith-based night of worship and testimony for our youth. Here is a link to his KELO feature: <http://www.keloland.com/news/article/featured-stories/reinventing-bobby-jones>



Bobby Jones — Guest Speaker

## CONFIRMATION RETREAT — OCT. 27-28

Youth in 7th through 9th grade are invited to attend this awesome retreat at Storm Mountain Center!! We will learn about the sacraments, our Wesleyan traditions, and begin to develop our creeds and personal scriptures.

Cannot find what you need here? Have some questions?  
Call Tia DeSersa (Middle School MYF) at 841-9995 or Todd Bicek (High School MYF) at 842-0316. THANKS!!



Last year's retreat group!!

# October 2017

| Sun                                                                                                                                                                     | Mon       | Tue                                                                                                                                       | Wed                                                                                                                                             | Thu                                                                                                                                                       | Fri                   | Sat                                                                                                                         |
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| <p>1<br/>Worship 8:30 am<br/>Sunday School 9:45 am<br/>Worship 11:00 am</p>                                                                                             | <p>2</p>  | <p>3 Men's Group 6:30 am<br/>Classical Conv. 9 am - noon<br/>Bible Study noon<br/>AV 6:15 pm<br/>Trustees 7 pm<br/>Women's Group 7 pm</p> | <p>4<br/>Bible Study 1:15 pm<br/>BLAST 6 PM<br/>Wed. Night Ladies 7 pm<br/>Men's Group 8 pm</p>                                                 | <p>5 Needle Night 7 pm<br/>Worship Team 7:30 pm</p>                                                                                                       | <p>6</p>              | <p>7</p>                                                                                                                    |
| <p>8<br/>Worship 8:30 am<br/>Sunday School 9:45 am<br/>Worship 11:00 am<br/>9th Grade Confirmation 4 pm</p>                                                             | <p>9</p>  | <p>10<br/>Classical Conv. 9 am - noon<br/>Bible Study noon<br/>Small Group 5 pm<br/>Christian Ed 5:30 pm<br/>Finance 7 pm</p>             | <p>11 Bible Study 1:15 pm<br/>Worship Ministry 5 pm<br/>Young Mom's (Misti)<br/>5:30 pm<br/>MS &amp; HS MYF 6 pm<br/>Wed. Night Ladies 7 pm</p> | <p>12<br/>Needle Night 7 pm<br/>Worship Team 7:30 pm</p>                                                                                                  | <p>13</p>             | <p>14</p>                                                                                                                   |
| <p>15<br/>Worship 8:30 am<br/>Sunday School 9:45 am<br/>Worship 11:00 am<br/>Leadership Council noon<br/>Couples' Club 6 pm<br/>Chili &amp; Bingo 6 pm</p>              | <p>16</p> | <p>17<br/>Classical Conv. 9 am - noon<br/>Women's Group 7 pm</p>                                                                          | <p>18 Love Circle noon<br/>MS &amp; HS MYF 6 pm<br/>Friendship Club<br/>6:30 pm<br/>Wed. Night Ladies 7 pm<br/>Men's Group 8 pm</p>             | <p>19 Bell Choir 8 am<br/>Couple's Bible Study<br/>5:30 pm - 7:00 pm<br/>Hospitality 6 pm<br/>SPR 7 pm<br/>Needle Night 7 pm<br/>Worship Team 7:30 pm</p> | <p>20</p>             | <p>21<br/>Bell Choir 8 am</p>                                                                                               |
| <p>22 Worship 8:30 am<br/>Sunday School 9:45 am<br/>Worship 11:00 am<br/>9th Grade Confirmation 4 pm</p>                                                                | <p>23</p> | <p>24<br/>Agape Circle 9 am<br/>Bible Study noon<br/>Women's Group 7 pm<br/>Cares Ministry 7 pm</p>                                       | <p>25 Bible Study 1:15 pm<br/>Young Mom's (Misti)<br/>5:30 pm<br/>MS &amp; HS MYF 6 pm<br/>Wed. Night Ladies 7 pm</p>                           | <p>26<br/>Needle Night 7 pm<br/>Worship Team 7:30 pm</p>                                                                                                  | <p>27<br/>Retreat</p> | <p>28<br/>Confirmation<br/>Retreat - Storm<br/>Mountain Camp</p>                                                            |
| <p>29 Worship 8:30 am<br/>Sunday School 9:45 am<br/>Worship 11:00 am<br/>Charge Conference 3 pm<br/>Fellowship Meal 5-7 pm<br/>N.A.O.M.I. 7 pm<br/>L. A. Group 7 pm</p> | <p>30</p> | <p>31<br/>Classical Conv. 9 am - noon<br/>Bible Study noon<br/>Women's Group 7 pm<br/>Trunk or Treat<br/>6 pm - 7:30 pm</p>               |                                                                                                                                                 | <p>Directory Pictures -<br/>Oct. 29, 30, 31, Nov. 1<br/><br/>DWU Concert<br/>Nov. 2 7 pm</p>                                                              |                       | <p>Food Pantry -<br/>Cereal<br/>Pork &amp; Beans<br/>Canned vegetables<br/><br/>Blue Bucket - Sr.<br/>Citizens Building</p> |

## OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

|                    |         |
|--------------------|---------|
| Dalton Petersen    | Oct. 1  |
| Brooke Headrick    | Oct. 1  |
| Caren Flynn        | Oct. 1  |
| Jack Frantz        | Oct. 3  |
| Jacob Clay         | Oct. 4  |
| Mick Rowe          | Oct. 5  |
| Hudson Kaup        | Oct. 6  |
| Zachary Olson      | Oct. 7  |
| Mark Rohde         | Oct. 7  |
| Kacie Petersen     | Oct. 8  |
| Vickie Barfuss     | Oct. 9  |
| Cheyenne Dougherty | Oct. 9  |
| Kellen Brozik      | Oct. 9  |
| Laurie Osborn      | Oct. 9  |
| Kolbie Osborn      | Oct. 11 |
| Kaleb Osborn       | Oct. 11 |
| Pastor John Britt  | Oct. 12 |
| Judy Duffy         | Oct. 13 |
| Sophia Lewis       | Oct. 13 |
| Alice Hartford     | Oct. 14 |
| Bella Swedlund     | Oct. 14 |
| Ross Patmore       | Oct. 16 |
| Jack Burns         | Oct. 17 |
| Louise Flisram     | Oct. 19 |
| Wade Burtz         | Oct. 22 |
| Darryl Suess       | Oct. 22 |
| Chad Blotsky       | Oct. 23 |
| Tammy Harter       | Oct. 23 |
| Candace Patmore    | Oct. 25 |
| Tenlie Rohde       | Oct. 26 |

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| Teresa Mathis   | Oct. 26 |
| Clint Vanneman  | Oct. 27 |
| Bailey Fisher   | Oct. 29 |
| Geneice Gebhart | Oct. 30 |
| Koty Dougherty  | Oct. 31 |

## ANNIVERSARIES

|                       |         |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Doyle & Eldora Mathis | Oct. 18 |
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