

REMINDERS & BIRTHDAYS:

Please look for updated info on worship & events via our websites , Facebook pages, these weekly announcements or by contacting the office.

(bentonwillowoffice@gmail.com)

wclcdellrapids.org & bentoneca.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS All Willow Creek/Benton Announcements should be emailed by Tuesday each week and newsletter announcements by the 15th of each month. OFFICE CONTACT INFO listed above.

WAYS TO GIVE:

MAIL : Benton PO Box 706 Crooks, SD 57020

Willow Creek 24795 470th Ave Dell Rapids, SD 57022

ELECTRONIC GIVING Check the websites giving image.

www.wclcdellrapids.org & www.bentoneca.org

BENTON'S 'TEXT TO GIVE'

1: Text "give" to the number **1-605-205-7789**. The automated response will direct you to the webpage. Once the system has your number stored, this will be a simple way to give right during the offering time!

2: The donations webpage through your browser is <https://bentonchurch.breezechms.com/give/online>



1 Evelyn and Madelyn Scheibler

2 Trey Johnson, Andrew Hegge

5 Eric Schuette, David Phelps

6 Kohler Anderson, Delight Hansen, Easton Geigle

7 Mycah Burns, Malik Fischer, Audrey Schuette 8 Shiloh Klein

9 Lisa Johnson, Ian Hurst, Juanita Gregersen

10 Edna Haase, Rick Arens

11 Aspyn Kindelspire

12 Linda Person, Gregg Zwart, Peter Hoekman 13 Mikaela Adams

14 Kerrie Arens, Jalen Snaza 15 Jeremy Carlson 17 Pat Nytroe

19 Duane Dekan, Catlyn Clark, Bonnie Dybedahl, Kari Vosburg

20 Kay Hobart, Patty Mork 21 Judi Person, David Gilderhus

27 Mitch Oien

28 Steve Schmidt



A NOTE FROM THE PARISH OFFICE

Dear Benton and Willow Creek Congregations,

Monica here from the office! As of February, I will no longer be your church secretary. I wanted to express sincere appreciation for the opportunity to serve both congregations over the last 7 years. The kindness, friendship, and teamwork that I have experienced will always remain with me.

Due to some unexpected health issues of my family, I won't be able to keep up the required attention this position entails.

Thank you again for the many years of blessing and warmth you have shown to me and my daughters.

Blessings and Peace to you,
Monica Rae

WILLOW CREEK & BENTON

Info and Events



COMMUNION DATES

The sacrament of Holy Communion will be given in worship on Sunday February 4th and 11th.



CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Wednesdays

6:00 pm – 2nd-year students at Benton

7:15 pm – 1st-year students at Willow Creek



WE ARE HIRING

Benton and Willow Creek would like to thank Monica for her 7yrs of service and dedication to our churches. She will be leaving the position at the end of January to help care for her family. If anyone is interested in the position, please reach out to a Benton or Willow Creek council member.

Valentine's Day

Word Search

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WILLOW CREEK *NOTES*

WILLOW CREEK TEAMS

Feb, 4th TEAM 5: Rick and Sandy Zwart, Jason and Erin Mitzel (*Max*), Steve and Kim Bazata (*Kael & Mack*), David Olson (*Levi*)

Feb. 11th TEAM 1: Tim and Lisa Rave, Kevin and Katie Hoekman (*Anna, Peter, Esther, & Elijah*), Phyllis Koepp, Zach Schroeder & Jayni Anderson

Feb. 18th TEAM 2: Craig and Bonnie Dybdahl, Mary & Paul Mesner, Pat Nytroe, Steve and Sheri Tokheim

Feb. 25th TEAM 3: Linda Linge, Terry and Kris Smart, Eric and Jenna Smart (*Louisa & Lilah*), Jared and Brenda Deters, Jay and Tina Soderquist (*Mya & Grace*)

MEN'S COFFEE / QUILTING LADIES

Join us Saturdays at 8:30am at Willow Creek for food, coffee and fellowship. Join us Mondays at 9am as we enjoy quilting and fellowship at Willow Creek.

LET'S CELEBRATE JUANITA

Join us as we celebrate Juanita. A 90th Birthday Open House for Juanita Gregersen on Saturday, February 10th from 1:30-4 pm at Willow Creek. All are invited to attend!!



FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED

Ramen Noodles, Boxed Potatoes, Knorr Sides, Canned Vegetables, Crackers, Snack Crackers, Taco Seasoning, Spaghetti Sauce, Boxed Pasta, Oil, Flour, Sloppy Joe,

Peanut Butter, Jelly, Sugars, Brownie Mix, Pancake Mix, Shampoo, Conditioner, Body Wash, Toothpaste, Dish Soap, Laundry Soap, Kleenex, Paper Towels, Toilet Paper

Monetary Donations – mail to PO Box 244 Baltic SD 57003 (6)

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Info and Events

LENT 2024

(Stay tuned for my more information regarding the Wednesday Lenten Season Services and Easter Events)



ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, Feb. 14th at 6:30pm at Benton

Ash Wednesday Worship, the beginning of our Lenten Journey, is at Benton at 6:30pm on Wednesday, February 22nd.

SUNDAYS OF LENT:

First Sunday in Lent	February 18 th
Second Sunday in Lent	February 25 th
Third Sunday in Lent	March 3 rd
Fourth Sunday in Lent	March 10 th
Fifth Sunday in Lent	March 17 th

BENTON NOTES

BENTON WORSHIP TEAMS*

February 4th First Team – Doug & Sandy

February 11th Second Team – Roger & Linda

February 18th Third Team – Cheryl & Connie

February 25th Fourth Team – Butch & Lori

TEAM HELP NEEDED

*Are you on a Benton Worship Team? If not, please contact the office (bentonwillowoffice@gmail.com) so we can connect you with a Sunday morning Team. We are looking for willing hearts and hands to assist with our Sunday morning routine—**especially those interested and able to run our camera/ IPAD during service. This is a great opportunity for our youth to get involved in their church family!**

BENTON SUNDAY SCHOOL 2023/2024

Sunday School Theme: “*Impossible Made Possible*” - Luke 18:27

Come hear the stories that show how things that are impossible for us are possible with God. Join us in art projects, songs and activities that will further share the Word of God.

Join us each Sunday at 9:30am for Sunday School (ages 3 and up).

*And the First Sunday of the month is **Sunday School for all ages.***

FULL CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday, February 4th

Everyone is invited to come us for FULL Church Sunday School on Feb. 4th at 9:30am to learn right along side believers of every age!

SECOND SUNDAY POTLUCK

Sunday, February 11th

Our monthly SECOND SUNDAY Potluck will take place on Sunday, February 11th. Join us as we share in faith and fellowship.



BENTON NOTES



Souper Bowl of Caring--Sunday, February 11th

Sunday, February 11th--In 1990, the Superbowl of Caring began with a simple prayer from a single youth group: "Lord even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us to be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat." Since that day, 34 years ago, more than 175 million dollars has been raised for local charities across the US through the Souper Bowl of Caring. Benton has been participating for over 26 years and we will do so again this year on Feb. 11th. Please come prepared to leave a monetary gift in the large soup kettle in the narthex. Gifts will be channeled to Feeding South Dakota, which supplies food pantries throughout SD, weekend back-pack programs for children, on-site feeding ministries, and monthly food boxes for Seniors in communities across our state.

A few quick facts about Hunger in South Dakota and Feeding South Dakota

Every single week, Feeding SD assists in providing temporary food assistance to approximately 21,000 hungry individuals and families in SD. One out of every 6 children under age 18 is at risk of going hungry in SD. Almost half of the individuals served by Feeding SD are children or infants. 13.7% of SD individuals live at or below the poverty line. The Back-Pack Program of Feeding SD gives food every weekend to 5200 that otherwise may go hungry. Nearly 43% of state's school-aged children qualify for free and reduced cost meals. More than 2700 food boxes are supplied monthly to hungry Seniors. Please go to the web site: feedingsouthdakota.org for more information on how you can help. For every \$1 donated, Feeding South Dakota can provide 3 meals to individuals in need. Purchasing the same meals would cost so much more