

WILLOW CREEK NOTES

WILLOW CREEK TEAMS:

April 14th TEAM 4: Justin & Lindsay Koepp (*Faith & Sawyer*), Ken & Debbie Mader, Shane & Beth Warne, Nancy Offerman, Steve Schmidt, Austin & Shelby Schmidt (*Lily & Elliot*)

April 21st TEAM 5: Rick & Sandy Zwart, Jason & Erin Mitzel (*Max*), Steve & Kim Bazata (*Kael & Mack*), David Olson (*Levi*)

April 28th TEAM 1: Tim & Lisa Rave, Kevin & Katie Hoekman (*Anna, Peter, Esther, & Elijah*), Phyllis Koepp, Zach Schroeder & Jayni Anderson

Men's Coffee / Quilting Ladies:

MEN: Join us on Saturdays at 8:30 am at Willow Creek for food, coffee, and fellowship. On the First Saturday of every month, the men provide a Pancake Breakfast during their coffee fellowship time.

WOMEN: Join us on Mondays at 9am as we enjoy quilting and fellowship at Willow Creek.

Food Pantry Items Needed:

Primary needs assessed for this month: White sugar, brown sugar, canned vegetables, Knorr sides, spaghetti sauce, ramen noodles, sloppy joe, peanut butter, brownie mix, laundry soap, Kleenex, shampoo, conditioner, paper towels, toilet paper.

Please no expired or opened food.

Donations can also be dropped off at Baltic City Hall, Baltic School Commons, or in the entry way of Baltic Lutheran or East Nidaros Church.

Monetary Donations – Mail to PO Box 244 Baltic SD 57003

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, April 21st, 2024

Interim Pastor Kent Stillson Email: prstills@gmail.com

Secretary: Becky Schmidt

Office Email: bentonwillowoffice@gmail.com

Sunday Worship

Willow Creek – 9:00am, Sunday School – to follow

Benton Worship - 10:45am, Sunday School – 9:30am

Communion is served the first and second Sunday of each month.



Confirmation Classes:

Confirmation classes will resume Wednesday, April 17th. **Please note, Willow Creek and Benton students will be joining together at 6:30pm at Benton with Pastor Kent for the remainder of the year.** *The last class will be Wed. May 8th, 2024.*

Call Committee Members:

Willow Creek – Paul Mesner, Beth Warne, and Bonnie Dybedahl

Benton – Gary Jongeward, Kerrie Arens, and Linda Person

WELCA Crossroads Conference Spring Gathering is on April 20, 2024 from 8:30am – 2:30pm at Spirit of Joy Lutheran Church, Sioux Falls, SD. The theme is "Let's Get Connected." All are Welcome! RSVP to clundeen@midco.net by April 15, 2024. For further information, speak to Cheryl Akers.

Bulletin/Newsletter Information:

Bulletin Information – please have to the office by noon each Tuesday

Newsletter information – please have to the office by the 15th of each month. Thank you

Office Email: bentonwillowoffice@gmail.com

Pancake Feed – Fundraiser for the "Crooks Veterans Park" – TODAY!!!!

Crooks Community Center – serving until 1:00pm, Free Will Donation

COMMUNICATION & GIVING INFORMATION:



Look for updated info on worship & events via our websites, Facebook pages, these weekly announcements, or by contacting the office. (bentonwillowoffice@gmail.com)

WEBSITE ADDRESSES: wclcdellrapids.org & bentonelca.org

We appreciate your faithfulness! MAIL:

Benton PO Box 706 Crooks, SD 57020
Willow Creek 24795 470th Ave Dell Rapids, SD 57022

ELECTRONIC GIVING www.wclcdellrapids.org & www.bentonelca.org

BENTON'S 'TEXT TO GIVE'. Text "give" to the number **1-605-205-7789**. The automated response will direct you to the webpage. Have the system store your information for easy giving. Webpage through browser <https://bentonchurch.breezechms.com/give/online>



*Thank you, Heavenly Father,
for blessing us with the beautiful recent rains.*

BENTON NOTES

BENTON WORSHIP TEAMS (team leaders listed)

April 7th First Team – Doug & Sandy

April 14th Second Team – Roger & Linda

April 21st Third Team – Cheryl & Connie

April 28th Fourth Team – Butch & Lori

Benton Sunday School 2023/2024

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

Hear the stories that show how things that are impossible for us are possible with God. Join us in art projects, songs, and activities to share God's Word further. ***Join us each Sunday at 9:30 am for Sunday School (ages 3+).***

Benton Rural Life Sunday Celebration – Sunday, May 5th

The annual Benton Lutheran Rural Life Sunday begins with **9:30am Sunday School for all ages**. There will be a rural themed Sunday School in the light of God's Creation. Farmers bring animals, seeds, dirt, and rural decorations to help us all celebrate our rural roots. **At 10:45am** we will worship outdoors (weather permitting) and include a blessing of the Seed, Soil, Water, Animals, and the Farmers. This is a great day to invite your friends and neighbors to come and worship with us.



A kid friendly rural meal will be served following worship!

This Sunday will also be the Last Day of Sunday School.

POTLUCK DINNER AT BENTON – No potluck dinner on May 12th.

Routinely our dinner is served on the second Sunday of the month. Due to the fact that we are serving dinner on May 5th with the Rural Life Sunday Celebration and that Mother's Day falls on the second Sunday we will not have a dinner on the second Sunday.