Special Music: "Trust and Obey" - Michelle Shima & Karen Wiebe

Scripture: Romans 12:1-8

Sermon Katie Jantzen

Hymn: "Take My Life" VT 759

Bible Presentations Shana Ensz

Sharing & Prayer Sue Gerber

Benediction Sue Gerber

Offering to Bethel College

Welcome! We are glad you are here! The service is available at https://www.youtube.com/c/fmcbeatrice and on FM 107.5 in our parking lot. To follow along in the bulletin, visit our website fmcbeatrice.org; under the More tab select Documents, then Church docs, minutes, and bulletins.

Bibles and Storybooks will be presented during worship today to FMC children and youth. The Bible presentation recognizes milestones for many of our young people. We thank their Prayer Partners for being a part of this special event! -FMC Children's & Youth Ministry

Peace Club and Prayer Partners will enjoy lunch after church followed by a trash pickup to raise money for MCC school kit supplies Peace Club will not meet on August 30.

Children's Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m. There's no class next Sunday, September 3 (Labor Day). On September 10, they will hold a combined event with their Grandparents for Grandparents Day.

A Special Congregational Meeting is scheduled for September 10, 2023 after church, (approximately 11:30 a.m.) to vote on the possibility of adding a part time Faith Formation Associate Pastor at FMC.

Pastor Josh will be out of the office August 25-Sept 8. If you need pastoral care, please contact a Deacon listed on the back page of the bulletin.

The Decorating Committee invites you to share fresh flowers from your garden to decorate the church this summer.

BigGiveGage.org: September 14! 24 hours of generosity! Be sure to look at the participating organizations including Mother to Mother, Sewing for Babies, Community Food Pantry, Gage County Ag Society, Sheepgate and many others.

We as a family want to **express our appreciation** for the outpouring of love and support from our church family since the death of our wife and mother, Denise Jantzen. A special thank you to the Shepherd Group for the family meal served after the visitation and to the people who served the luncheon following the funeral. Thank you, Pastor Josh, for the meaningful service. A special thanks to all those who continued to bring meals to us. The meals were appreciated. May God bless each one of you. - **Scott, Asha, Aaron, Leona & Denise Jantzen**

MCC Golf: The MCC Golf Tournament raised \$4,383.88 this year! That is about the average amount raised each year. **Thank you** to our hole sponsors, those who made donations and the players. This year we had a record number of players with 36 teams/72 players.

For your calendar:

- *Communion: September 10, 2023
- *Church Picnic September 24, 5 pm at Chautauqua Park Tabernacle
- *Mini-Auction: October 22, we will gather at 5:30 and begin the auction at 6:00 p.m. in the church basement.
- *MCC Meat Canning November 2 & 3 at Milford (a week earlier than usual)

Camp Mennoscah:

- --WDC Women in Mission Women's & Girls Retreat Sept. 9-10.
- -- Camp's 75th Anniversary kickoff event September 23 at Camp!

Beatrice Community Blood Drive Wednesday, Aug 30, noon to 6 pm and Thursday, Aug 31, 7 am to 1 pm at the Holiday Inn Express. Call 402-269-5460 or go online to book an appointment to donate.

Orphan Grain Train Fish Feed Sunday, Sept 3, 11 – 1 pm. First Trinity Lutheran Church, west Highway 4. Fish, potatoes, onions, salads, desserts, drinks. Carry out available. Free will donation.

Gage County Historical Society Tour of Stained Glass Windows! Saturday, Sept 9, 1-5 pm. Five churches will be toured. To register call 402-228-1679 by Sept 6. Cost \$25 members, \$30 non-members. **FMC will be toured** with Vern Jantzen as the guide. See the bulletin board.