

WELCOME TO LEITH DOCUMENTARY AND CONVERSATION

Saturday, November 4 10:00AM - 12:00 noon at the Riverside Library ~ Leith, North Dakota is a town which in 2010 had a population of 16. In May 2012, Craig Cobb, a white nationalist Neo-Nazi, moved to Leith with the intention of building a community of people sharing his white nationalist ideology and gaining the electoral majority. The documentary traces the community's struggle to prevent him from taking control of their town.

TIME CHANGE — Don't forget to set your clocks back an hour before going to sleep on Saturday, November 4. You can make up for that hour of sleep you lost in the spring!

OPEN GYM on Sunday, November 5! All kids are invited up to the gym after service. Please wear gym shoes!

Please remember your pledge cards on Sunday!

It's Coming! It's Coming!

Our trip to the Holy Land will be here before you know it. We depart September 3, 2018 from Chicago and return September 12, 2018.

Join us on this 10-Day journey where we will visit all the major sites, such as the Sea of Galilee, Mt. of Beatitudes, Jordan River, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jericho, Mount of Olives, Jerusalem and Cana.

Will I be safe on this trip? Educational Opportunities (EO) has a long-standing commitment to safety. You are in less danger in Israel than you would be on a trip to New York City or Washington D.C. Not only is Israeli security vigilant and aware, your tour guides and EO representatives will be with you at all times. What makes me safe? 1 Security on planes bound for the Middle East go through several additional security precautions and procedures. 2 Security within Israel and Palestine is much more strict than within the USA. 3 Statistically, the crime rate in Israel and Palestine is lower than the typical US city, including your home town! 4 It is a small place... just 50 miles wide and 150 miles long. It is easy for our office to keep a watchful eye on situations in various regions of Israel and Palestine. 5 To our knowledge, no Christian Pilgrim from the USA has been killed in Israel during the last 42 years. 6 Since our first Holy Land trip, more than 37 years ago, we have never had a major incident.

The trip costs \$3,596 and includes airfare, hotel, breakfast and dinner, gratuities and entrance fees. Consider bringing a friend! If you have questions, please speak to Reverend Jackson or Ellen Hamilton!

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICE

Thank you to the acaBELLa Ringers for joining Sunday's Ministry of Music.

Ushers: David Harper and Megan Foran

Liturgist: Lynda Nadkarni

Communion Servers: Susan Lynch, Lisa Aulerich-Marciniak, Dennis Cobb and Dennis Zander

Andrew Ministers: Lynda Nadkarni and Cyril Friend

Flowers Sunday are given by Carol Sprunger in celebration of her 90th birthday.

Coffee fellowship: Please join in for a special fellowship hosted by Carol Sprunger in honor of her birthday Sunday in the social hall following worship.

Trustees of the Month: Alfred Kitch and Susan Deems-Dluhy

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION — Reverend Jackson is planning a new member orientation for early November. Please speak to him for more information.

CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING — There will be a congregational meeting Sunday, November 19, following Worship for the purpose of electing church officers.

SUNDAY SCHOOL — *November 5:* While we want our children to have a positive self-image, we do a great disservice if we focus so much effort on building self-esteem that we forget to teach the power of honest self-examination and introspection. Next week we will work to show our children that they are spiritual beings with unlimited potential who can grow beyond every mistake and every success. We will have a discussion, play games and do a craft in the gym/Celestial Cinema.

November 12 Our affirmation this week will be: "I am in charge of my body and in charge of myself." We will play games to show how self-control is more than learning to sit still and be quiet at appropriate times.

We are looking for volunteers to help out in the childcare room during the month of November. Any interested parties should contact Susan Zander.

HUMAN SCENE NOVEMBER — Having heard and discussed Biblical scholar Joel B. Green's ideas about reading the Bible in the community of interpreters as a practice that leads to transformation into those who seek to represent the mind and heart of God to the world, Human Scene will seek to put his ideas into practice using portions of the book of Genesis. Each class will involve a systematic reading of the text, meditation on the text, and then shared reflection on the text, with all attendees being asked to share their reflections with the rest of the class. Come join us for what should prove to be a stimulating and growthful process.

November 5 - Genesis 1:1-2, 7

November 12 - Genesis 3:1-24

November 19 - Genesis 4:1-8; 6:1-22

LITTLE FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED — small boxes of laundry detergent, individually wrapped toilet tissue, small boxes of feminine hygiene products, granola/cereal bars, canned meats and fruits both with pop top or cellophane lids

SAVE THE DATE

- ~ Sunday, November 26 Thanksgiving Hymn Sing
- ~ Sunday, December 3 Advent begins with a worship series on “A Christmas Carol”
- ~ Sunday, December 10 4:00 pm Messiah
- ~ Sunday, December 17 10:00 am Children’s Christmas Pageant
- ~ Sunday, December 24 10:00 am Worship with Communion
- ~ Sunday, December 24 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Service of Carols and Poetry

DAILY DEVOTIONALS — Copies of the November-December Upper Room are in the rack outside the church office.

CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS PAGEANT — The air is getting crisper, leaves are starting to pile up on our lawns and it’s time to think about... the annual RPC Christmas Pageant! The pageant will take place on 12/17 during service, with a script reading on 12/10 at 9 a.m. and a dress rehearsal 12/16 at 1 p.m. All are welcome to be part of the festivities! More details will be emailed to families in the coming days.

RPC FELLOWSHIP FOR KIDS — A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving Party – Friday, November 17, 6 – 8 pm in the social hall. Pizza, Games, Crafts, Movie! For families with kids 3-10 years, \$3/person

COME TO CHURCH ON DEC. 10TH AND BE LIBERATED! — Yes, you will feel liberated from your cares and concerns for a minimum of 60 minutes when you come listen to Handel’s Messiah. A definition of Messiah is savior or liberator. Handel’s music will fill the sanctuary, your mood will be lifted, your worries liberated, and don’t forget the non-alcoholic libations to follow the performance! Mark your calendar and feel free!

CARERS NEWS — The CARERS Committee will meet Friday, Nov. 17 to set up the giving tree in the social hall. The CARERS Giving Tree will benefit women and children sheltered in the Constance Morris House. The paper ornaments on the tree list Christmas gift items. Take some ornaments, purchase the items and place the unwrapped gifts under the tree. Opportunity to bring gifts will continue from Sunday Nov. 19th until Sunday Dec. 3rd.

The CARERS trunk will continue to collect nonperishable food items throughout the Thanksgiving and Christmas season. There is a great need at this time of year.

CHRISTKINDLMARKT — Please mark your calendars and reserve Saturday, November 11 for RPC’s third Christkindlmarkt. The market and café will be open from 9:00 to 3:00. We will be expanding both our café and craft & vendor market, and again

have invited Ten Thousand Villages, with their fair trade handmade gifts from around the world. Please join us. Invite your friends and neighbors to come too, and help us welcome in the season.

We need people to bake desserts for the cafe. Instead of selling whole items, e.g. an entire cake or pie, we will be selling individual desserts. If you can contribute, please contact Sandra Kappmeyer skappzan@aol.com or (585) 662-9082 so we can have an idea of what will be coming in. We will also have supplies for wrapping the desserts, information about where and when to deliver them, and a request that you include either the recipe or a list of ingredients, so people with allergies can select their dessert safely.

RIVERSIDE FOODS BENEFIT DAYS TO SUPPORT PRESCHOOL TAP -- Please support RPC Preschool's Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) by shopping at Riverside Foods on Friday and Saturday, November 17 & 18 with the benefit days form in Sunday's bulletin or in the church office. Thank you for your support!!

RPC REUSABLE BAGS — The Outreach Committee is giving stylish reusable bags with the RPC logo to our new members as a welcome gift. They are also available for purchase for a \$5 donation. Buy 2 or more and have them available in your trunk for shopping!

WORSHIP AT CANTATA— The Deacons welcome members to join us in the worship service for the residents of Cantata on Sunday, November 5 at 2 pm.

SCOTTISH HOME OPEN HOUSE CELEBRATION – The Scottish Home has a new name – Caledonia Senior Living & Memory Care to reflect that they now have two homes that offer an expanded range of services. Open House Celebration free and open to the public – Wednesday, November 15, 4 – 7 pm at 2800 Des Plaines Avenue, North Riverside.

A NOTE FROM YOUR TREASURER

- General Budget snapshot as of September 30th
 - ❖ At 75% through the year, Revenues at **71.23%** of budgeted amount.
 - ❖ At 75% through the year, Expenditures at **72.67%** of budgeted amount.

- **PLEASE TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR GIVING SO FAR THIS YEAR – WE NEED ALL OF YOUR PLEDGES AND OFFERINGS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE CHURCH.**

THANKS FOR ALL YOU DO FOR RPC! - ELLEN