

# Southern Hills United Methodist Church



# Southern Hills Hope

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Southern Hills Church  
(A United Methodist Faith Community)  
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## At a Glance!



### Weekly Activities:

**Sundays:** Traditional Worship, 9 am  
Coffee Fellowship 10 am  
Children's Music & Sunday School 10:05  
7th/8th Confirmation, 10:05 am  
Hills Alive Worship, 11 am  
Adult Study: Devotional Life in Wesleyan Tradition, 5 pm  
In Home Bible Study at Jason & Kara Petersen's  
starting Jan. 29 at 6:30 pm

**Mondays:** Text Study with Pastor Ross, 7 pm

**Tuesdays:** Volleyball League starting Feb. 7, 7 pm

**Wednesdays:** Men's Breakfast, 6:45 am  
Ladies Bible Study, 10 am  
9th Grade Confirmation, 6:00 pm  
Youth on Fire ~ Middle and High School Youth, 6:30 pm

### Special Activities:

Jan. 18 Leadership Team Meeting, 7 pm  
Jan. 22 Spaghetti Dinner for Mission Trip, Noon  
Jan. 29 Sweet Roll Sunday  
Ministry Counsel Meeting, 12:15  
Southern Hills serving the Canteen Food Mission  
In Home Bible Study at Jason & Kara Petersen's  
Starting, 6:30 pm  
Feb. 5 Cake Auction, no Sunday School  
Feb. 7 Volleyball League Starts, 7 pm  
Feb. 8 Trustee Meeting, 7 pm  
Staff Parish Meeting, 8 pm  
Feb. 12 Dinner and Variety Show, 5:30 pm  
Feb. 15 Leadership Team Meeting, 7 pm  
Feb. 22 Ash Wednesday at Southern Hills, 7 pm  
Feb. 26 Ministry Retreat, Noon  
Feb. 29 Lent Worship, 7 pm



## Classes Starting!

**Tuesdays at 6:30pm**

Beginning February 7th  
**Child Care will be provided!**  
Follow God's plan to beat debt  
and build wealth!

**Come join the fun at  
our winter  
Church Volleyball League!**



**Tuesday evenings at 7pm**

**February 7th thru March 27th**

**Cake  
Auction**



**Cake Auction  
February 5th  
10 am**

**Bring a cake  
Buy a cake!**

**Proceeds go to Summer  
Camp Scholarships!**

# Preparing to Celebrate ~ Jesus Resurrection



## Ash Wednesday with Holy Communion

## Ash Wednesday Worship and Communion

Wednesday, February 22 at 7 pm

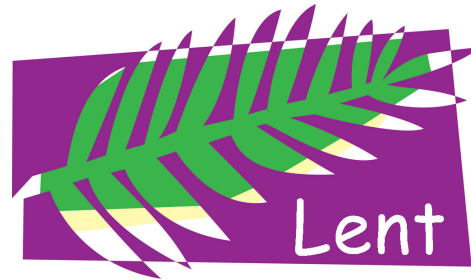
At Southern Hills UMC

Lenten Worship Services

Every Wednesday at 7 pm

beginning February 29

At Southern Hills UMC



## THE POWER OF THE WORD

## New IN-HOME Bible Study:

### God's Story, Your Story.

### When His Becomes Yours.

by Max Lucado

Do you long for meaning--to know that your life has purpose beyond what is seen in the day to day? Max Lucado's new book, *God's Story, Your Story* helps people make sense out of their own circumstances in their search for purpose. Lucado offers us a change of perspective--the opportunity to see beyond our own lives, into our place among the greater whole of God's work. "Everything changes when you know the rest of your story,"

In this six-session video study, pastor and bestselling author Max Lucado reveals how your life story is part of a grand, overarching narrative, helping you see between the lines to witness God's hand at work. With contemporary anecdotes and New Testament stories, *God's Story, Your Story* traces your Savior's unchanging, loving pursuit of you through the chaos of life. Designed for use with the *God's Story, Your Story Participant's Guide*.

Kick-Off: Sunday Jan 29th at 6:30PM. (We typically meet twice a month)

Where: Jason & Kara Petersen's home: 3404 S. Jesse James Circle, SF, SD, 57103

Contact: [kpetersen@sio.midco.net](mailto:kpetersen@sio.midco.net) or 271-1485

Cost: \$8.25 for the participants study guide (recommended but not required).

Please RSVP so I know how many books to order--thanks!

**Any & all are welcome!**



Other Opportunities to grow your faith:

Devotional Life in Wesleyan Tradition, Sundays at 5 pm

Text Study with Pastor Ross, Mondays at 7 pm

Ladies Bible Study, Wednesdays at 10 am

# You Are Invited!

## Come to our Ministry Retreat!

Come discover your gifts and your passions! Join us Saturday, February 26th from 9AM to Noon. We would like to help you find a ministry to grow and make a difference!



To date, about 54 people have attended. We learned so much about our individual personalities and our spiritual gifts!

Please join us on Saturday, February 26th at noon. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend! If you have any questions and/or would like to be a part of this ministry, please call the church office at 371-2065 or Steve or Vonnie Mossberg at 338-4344.

## Just for YOUth!

### Youth on Fire: Grades 6 to 12



Youth Group Wednesdays at 6:30 pm  
All Middle and High School  
Youth are welcome!

Wednesday, January 18th  
Fun Night



Wednesday, January 25, February 1 and 8  
Curriculum



Wednesday, February 15th  
Parent's Night Out 6:30 to 8 pm  
Parents bring your kids and we  
will watch them for a free will  
donation.

Wednesday,  
February 22  
Ash Wednesday



Wednesday, February 29th  
Movie Night

## Looking for Exercise? Enjoy Volleyball?



**Come join our winter  
Church Volleyball League!**

**Churches from all over  
Sioux Falls and Brandon**

**Tuesday evenings at 7pm  
February 7th thru March 27th**

**Cost is \$15 per person**

**Questions?**

**Call Wayne Abels at 498-0308**

**Come join the fun!**



**If you would like 2012  
Offering envelopes,  
please stop by the  
office for a box! Make  
sure the box number  
is registered with your name!**

**Serving the Canteen  
Food Mission  
Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>**



We will be serving  
Scalloped Potatoes and Ham,  
oranges and a dinner roll.

We are looking for donations of  
150 oranges and 150 dinner rolls  
or you may donate money  
to help with the purchase.

We will be preparing the meal at 1 pm  
and serving at 4:15 pm

Please check the sign up sheets in the lobby  
to see how you can get involved!

WITH  
*Gratitude* 

- **Everyone** who helped with the funeral lunch for Brian Blake!
- **Living Nativity Team & volunteers** for two amazing nights of celebrating of Jesus birth!
- **Builders** of the new Living Nativity shelter!
- **Rihoko Colwill and Jim Larson** for church office support!
- **Office Carpet donator and everyone** who moved furniture and computers!
- **Val and Rihoko** for cleaning copy room!



The Southern Hills Staff would like to thank the congregation for their generous Christmas gifts! We are so thankful for each and every one of you! It is truly a blessing to be in ministry with you!

Thank you again, from a very grateful staff!  
Ross, Val, Jorjann, Ruth, Laurie,  
Lexa, Jayne, and Anne

**Joy:**

Meredith Michelle Colwill born Tuesday, January 3, 2012, Mike and Rihoko's new niece

**Health Concerns:**

Sunder Sims ~ Immune Disorder, Kerri Huber's cousin  
Jim Sissell ~ Health Concerns, Carol Allen's brother in law  
Connie Van De Walle ~ Health Concerns, Lee Van De Walle's mother  
Jean Schultz ~ Health Concerns, Paul Schultz's mother  
Joe Ronge ~ Health Concerns  
Deb Friedrich ~ Cancer treatments, Terri Huber's friend  
Bonnie Jacobs ~ Health concerns  
Brian & Lyndsey Hansen ~ Pregnancy difficulties, Steve and Vonnie's nephew  
Sharon Jaeger ~ Terminal cancer, Linda Weidner's aunt  
Bernice Mettler ~ Cancer, Paula Williams' grandmother  
Michelle McNeley ~ Health Concerns  
Melissa Jacobs ~ Health concerns  
Shania Struck ~ Health concerns, Dani Curtis' granddaughter  
Pam Culver ~ Health concerns, Vonnie Mossberg's friend  
Karol Bailey ~ Lymphoma cancer, friend of Donn Johnson  
Amy Tarrell-Florey ~ Colon cancer, Mike Tarrell's cousin  
Kathy Lang ~ Reoccurring lung cancer, Carol Allen's coworker  
Troy Anderson ~ Terminal brain cancer, Kim & Gayle Sigler's



**Southern Hills Church  
Variety Show**

Plan to attend and participate in the fun event of the year at Southern Hills! February 12<sup>th</sup> is the date for dinner and a show!  
At 5PM, Jo Flesner is planning a GOURMET dinner to raise money for the Costa Rica mission trip. This will be no ordinary church dinner. Don't miss it!  
At 6:30 we will have our first, and hopefully, annual Southern Hills Variety Show! We hope to showcase the serious and not-so-serious talent we have here at Southern Hills.

To be a part of the Variety Show, you need to sign up by January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Signup sheets are located at the Sign-up Table. We are looking forward to a great "variety" of talent!

If you have questions, please give Steve or Vonnie Mossberg a call at 338-4344 or 941-0868





FPU is the most important step to changing your financial future. It is your Total Money Makeover Program. It takes the knowledge from God and turns it into real action in our lives through a step-by-step process taught by best-selling author and financial counselor Dave Ramsey.

FPU is a 13-week life-changing program that empowers and teaches you how to make the right money decisions to achieve your financial goals and God's plan for your life. The course includes practical lessons on eliminating debt, building wealth, giving like never before, and much, much more!

**Facilitator:** Jen Abels

**Class Begins:** February 7, 2012

**Class Meets:** Tuesdays at 6:30 PM

**Class Cost:** **The first lesson is free!**

All you need to do is register to attend. If you want to continue, the cost is around \$100 including materials

## Schedule:

Feb 7, 2012 Super Saving - **Attend free!**  
Feb 14, 2012 Relating With Money  
Feb 21, 2012 Cash Flow Planning  
Feb 28, 2012 Dumping Debt  
Mar 6, 2012 Credit Sharks In Suits  
Mar 13, 2012 Buyer Beware  
Mar 20, 2012 Clause and Effect  
Mar 27, 2012 That's Not Good Enough  
Apr 3, 2012 Of Mice and Mutual Funds  
Apr 10, 2012 From Fruition To Tuition  
Apr 17, 2012 Working In Your Strengths  
Apr 24, 2012 Real Estate and Mortgages  
May 1, 2012 The Great Misunderstanding



To Our Southern Hills Family and Friends

We extend our heartfelt thanks for all the prayers, the visits, the phone calls, the food, the funeral service, the luncheon, and just all the love, support, and encouragement you have surrounded us with. It truly has made such a huge impact in helping us deal with loosing Brian, my best friend and the kids' father.

Jorjann, Britton and Alison Blake