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Our JOYFUL Noise

The Monthly Newsletter of First Presbyterian Church of Britton SD
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PULPIT SUPPLY FOR OCTOBER:

Sunday, Oct 5th – Lance Griese
Sunday, Oct 12th – Lance Griese
Sunday, Oct 19th – Lance Griese
Sunday, Oct 26th – Gretchen C.



Happy Fall, Y'all!

October is perhaps the only month about which I have no negative thoughts or opinions whatsoever. It's all positive: crisp temperatures, colorful leaves, pumpkins and pies, World Communion Sunday, Reformation Sunday, Halloween and costumes and candy. In October the recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize is announced. October is a month to appreciate and look forward to. October is a month of preparation. By November, it is getting seriously cold in many parts of the United States. October has pleasant temperatures generally, and this is a good time to finish those projects.

--- Jane



Session Notes:

The Session met on Tuesday, September 23rd, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. with the following summary of the meeting:

October 5 - Communion and POTLUCK
October 12 - Care center services at Wheatcrest Hills and Spruce Court

Session will be looking for nominations for two elder positions and two trustee positions. If you feel called to fill one of these positions, please contact a current elder.

--Jill Beaner



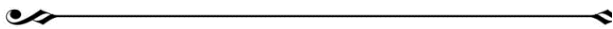
Scripture Reading:

2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I give you this charge: Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage--with great patience and careful instruction. For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their

itching ears want to hear. They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.

***Want to hear God speak?
Read your Bible. Want to
hear God speak audibly?
Read your Bible out loud!
—Justin Peters***



Think about your favorite trip or adventure. Where did you go? How long were you gone? Where did you stay? How did you get there?

Ah, this last question is important, isn't it? To get to your destination, you needed some assistance. Someone had to give you directions, or you used a map.

Life is a journey, and every journey needs a reliable guide. For the believer, that guide is the Bible, God's voice

speaking to us, offering wisdom, direction and encouragement at every stage of life. Whether we are young or old, active or slowing down, Scripture remains our moral and spiritual compass, pointing us toward truth, righteousness and hope. In today's reading, these words appear: "All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work."

God's word guides us at every age. The world around us changes rapidly. Many of us have watched society shift in ways we never expected — new technology, new ideas and even new attitudes toward morality. In the midst of all this change, it can sometimes feel overwhelming. But one thing never changes: God's truth. Isaiah 40:8 reminds us: "The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever." While everything around us shifts, God's word

remains steady and true. No matter how many birthdays we celebrate, Scripture continues to be our teacher, our source of wisdom and our moral compass.

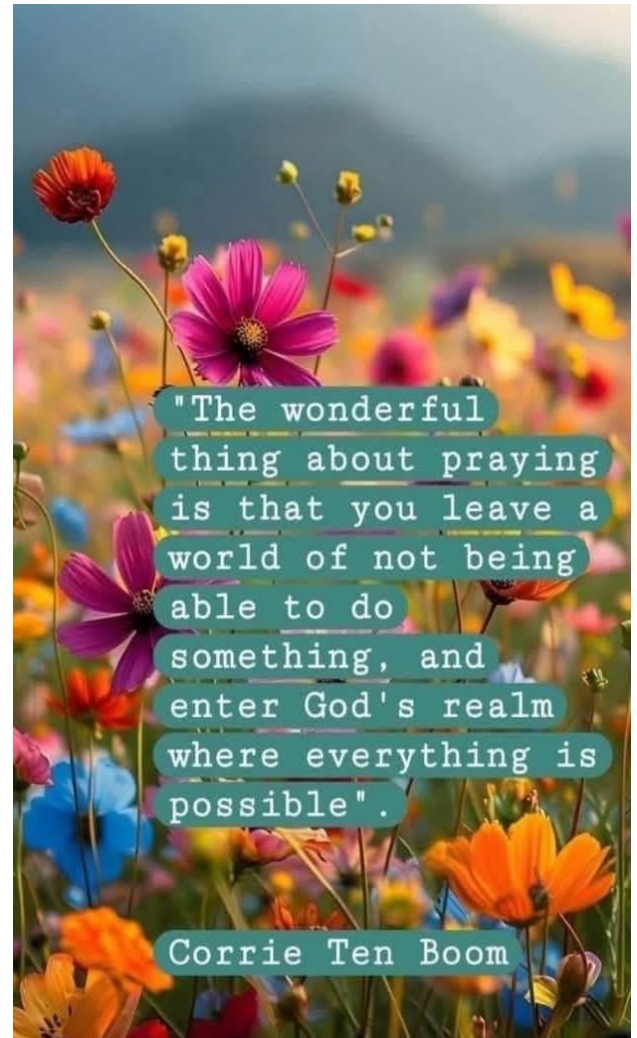
But Bible also teaches and corrects us. It is “useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness.” The Bible is not just for comfort, but also for instruction. It shows us how to live, corrects us when we go astray, and trains us to be more like Christ.

The ultimate goal, of course is to be “proficient, equipped for every good work.” Some may wonder, “What good work can I do when I am elderly and homebound?” The answer is: Plenty! You can encourage and pray for others. You can share wisdom, guiding and inspiring the next generation.

Even in the quiet seasons of life, God is still using you, still equipping you, preparing you for works of faith, love and encouragement.

—Timothy Merrill

Prayer: Gracious God, help me to hold fast to your word, knowing that it will always lead me on the right path and sustain me through every season of life. Amen.





Diaper Ministry continues. Contact Heidi Eimers at 605.216.6065. We continue to need volunteers for upcoming Saturday mornings. Please sign up in the fellowship room.

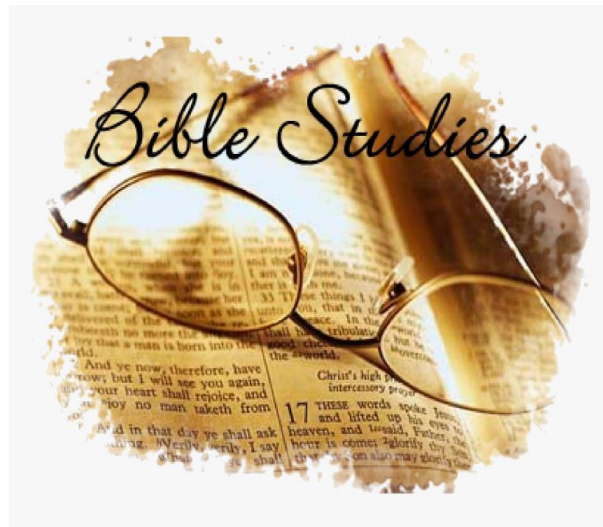


Group #2 will be serving coffee and treats in October.



Our Youth Group meets the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month at 6:30 PM.

Currently, they are in need of people to **help provide snacks** on the nights we meet. If you would be willing to help out or have questions, please talk to Lance.



Men's and Women's Bible Studies have begun on Mondays, at 7:00 P.M. If interested, please contact Peggy Davidson or Lance Griese.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Forgive others not because they deserve forgiveness but because you deserve peace. —Jonathan Lockwood Huie

Regretfully, we must inform you that long-time member, Carol Joyce Benda, has passed away. Her funeral was September 22nd, in our church.



Church Choir will also resume this fall, and all members of the congregation are invited to join. Contact Peggy Davidson for more information.



In our thoughts & prayers: Please pray for those dealing with cancer; for those dealing with serious health concerns; for those dealing with the loss of loved ones; and all people around the world dealing with loss and devastation.



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