-Announcements-

Lost and Found: Please check the lost and found table in the Social Hall to see if any of the clothing items, dishes, bowls, pans, etc. belong to you.

Alpha Center Banquet: Mark your Calendars! The Alpha Center Friends & Fellowship Dinner will be Friday, April 28, 2023 at the Sioux Falls Convention Center. Please contact Lee Herrboldt if you are interested in attending this event!

<u>Women's Bible Study:</u> A study on the Book of Ruth is being offered on Wednesdays at 10am, and on Sundays at 9:15am.

Young Adult Class: The young adults are studying through the Epistle of I Peter during the Sunday School Hour.

<u>Older Adult Class:</u> The older adults are studying through the Gospel of John during the Sunday School Hour.

<u>Prayer Requests:</u> There is a "Box" on the Information Cabinet in the Narthex to leave prayer requests. These requests will be prayed for during our Thursday Noon Prayer time and/or our 8:30 am Sunday Morning Prayer Time. <u>Opportunities to Serve:</u> We are in need of individuals willing to place the flowers in the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings during months of May through December. Please sign the appropriate sheet on the Information Cabinet in the Narthex if you are willing to help. Thanks!

- Upcoming Lenten Services Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22nd @ 7 PM (w/High School Helping)
Wednesday, March 8th @ 7 PM

Wednesday, March 22nd @ 7 PM (w/High School Helping) Maundy Thursday, April 6th @ 7 PM (w/Holy Communion)

PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS OF SALEM REFORMED CHURCH

*LuElla Auch, continued prayers for LuElla Auch after having a recent fall. *We pray for all of our Care Center Residents and Assisted Living **Residents** as well as the **Staff** who work so hard in caring for them. *Erna Zeeb, *Marvin Goehring, *Ruth Breeding, *Lonnie Herrboldt, *Willow Mae, *Larry Zeeb, *Marilee Hauck, *Ken Wintersteen, *Bill Headley, *Diane Bendt, *Jan Nebelsick, *Oliver Hollinsworth, *Lonnie Graber, *Glenda Walker. *Delmar lanke. as these individuals are in various stages in their battle against cancer and/or other health struggles. We praise the Lord for His Power that is mightily at work within each one, and giving them strength! *Travis Gramkow (U.S. Navy - Virginia), *Aaron Helgerson (U.S. Navy -Rhode Island), *Katie (Schultz) Paulsen (U.S. Air Force - Texas), Patrick Ireland (U.S. Army Chaplain - Ft. Bliss, TX), Tyler J. Brandt (U.S. Army -Georgia), *Logan Schmidt (U.S. Navy - Ft. Travis, CA), *Troy Heckenlaible, Derek Fischer, Dan Wonnenberg, Katie Huber, Trevor Bertsch, Chad Boettcher (Army National Guard), *Lee Heckenlaible, Carmen Taylor, Jennifer Masterson, Brett Andersen, Evan Wintersteen (Air National Guard), *Corbin Auch, *Travis Brandt, *Jayme Schaaf (U.S. Army), *Jake Haider (U.S. Army - Florida), *Alex Olson (U.S. Navy), *Alex Ulmer (U.S. Marines), Cameron Christensen (U.S. Army - Belgium, Germany) - we pray for God's protection over all in who serve in our Military!

"ARE YOU WASHED IN THE BLOOD?"

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II Peter 1:5-11
I. GOD GIVES US EVERTHING WE NEED TO
II. STEPS WE CAN TAKE TO GROW! (Virtues to be Pursued)
III. WHAT'S THE RESULT?
II Peter 1:8,9 NLT - "The more you grow like this, the more you will become productive and in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But those who fail to develop these virtues are blind or, at least very shortsighted. They have already that God has cleansed them from their old life of sin."
A. OPTION #1 - The Choice = Growth!
NOTE: Something is going to be in our lives! Either these 7, or the opposite of them! See Gal. 5:22 -
B. OPTION #2 - The Choice = Decline!
NOTE: What qualities will be manifest here? Acts of the Nature See Gal. 5:19-21 -
Then Even Things Result!
II Peter 1:9b - " and has that he has been cleansed from his past sins." AMP - " having become oblivious to the fact that he was cleansed from his old sins." NLT - " They have already forgotten that God has cleansed them from their old life of"
A Very Situation!
NOTE: Many verses speak about forgetting what God has done! See Deut. 4:9, 23, 24 –
C. THE BLESSING OF OPTION #1 -
II Peter 1:10,11 – AMP – "[be sure that your reflects and confirms your relationship with God]; for by doing these things [actively developing these virtues], you will never stumble [in your spiritual growth and will live a life that leads others away from sin]:"