

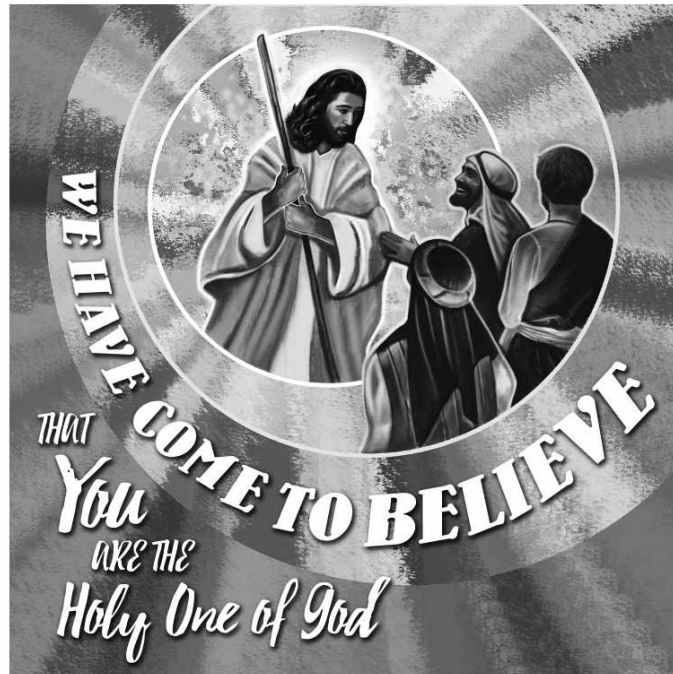
# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*Pastor - Fr. John Kunz*

*Mass Schedule - Saturday Vigil: 5:15 pm • Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am*

*Reconciliation - Saturday: 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm*



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August 26, 2018 - Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time - Gospel: John 6: 60-69

# PARISH CONTACTS

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## CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Loyola Catholic School 507-388-0600

Website - [www.loyolacatholicschool.org](http://www.loyolacatholicschool.org)

## LOYOLA AMBASSADORS ST. JOHN'S PARISH:

Beth Johnson 388-6312

## ST. JOHN'S ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCILS

### Pastoral Leadership Team:

Dan Hansen	Jaci James
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Amy Kloss, family rep	Kelly Andresen, family rep
Savanna Witte, youth rep	Jayden Hatkin, youth rep
Phil White	Ann Benson

### Parish Trustees:

Jim Swanson	Najwa Massad
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## From the Pastor's Desk

The coming of Labor Day and the beginning of the school year reveal a change in our lives. Jesus calls his disciples to now move with Him with greater Purpose. Many decided to leave Him and go back to their more familiar patterns.

On this stewardship Sunday we too are invited to move along with Christ in this coming year. Many will want to say that they are comfortable with life as it is. But some of us are willing to strike out together with Christ. This will mean some change and growth. It will be exciting and challenging. So let us set out together, trusting in God's help and strength. The call this weekend is to find the Prayer, Service and Learning that fits you.

Peace,  
Fr. John

# MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 27 – 1 Cor 2:1-5; Lk 4:16-30,  
8:15 am – Communion Service

Tuesday, August 28 - 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Lk 4:31-37  
8:15 am – Eleanor Biese

Wednesday, August 29 - 1 Cor 3:1-9; Lk 4:38-44  
8:15 am – Michael Donahue†, Dennis Haley†

Thursday, August 30 - 1 Cor 3:18-23; Lk 5:1-11  
8:15 am – Communion Service

Friday, August 31 - 1 Cor 4:1-5; Lk 5:33-39  
8:15 am – Gil & Jerre Berens†

Saturday, September 1 - Mt 5:1-4a; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23  
5:15 pm – Norval & Eunice Anderson, Earl Haase†,  
Kyle Boettcher†

Sunday, September 2 - Is 35:4-7a; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37  
8:00 am – D. Marie Tyson†, Paul Brockhaus†,  
Fred & Dixie Muellerleuile, Dave Sullivan†  
10:00 am – Eileen Hibma†, Gil & Jerre Berens†

### St. John's Prayer Network -

To submit a prayer request, please call:

**Sandy Roberts 387-1372 or Alice DiMeglio 345-5273**  
or email: **Pastoral Care Associate at:**  
**mike@stjohnsmankato.net**

# THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, August 27

Tuesday, August 28

Sunrise AA Meeting – 6:30 AM – Matthews Hall  
Hope-Grief Ministry – 5:15 PM – John Paul II room

Wednesday, August 29

Legion of Mary – 9:00 AM – Marian room

Thursday, August 30

Simon Ministry – 10:30 AM – Matthews Hall  
Laurels Peak Mass – 3:00 PM – Laurels Peak

Friday, August 31

Al-Anon – 6:30 AM – Parish Library  
Early Risers AA – 6:30 AM – Matthews Hall

Saturday, September 1

Sunday, September 2

Confirmation Session - 11:00 AM Parish Life Center



Are you called to serve your neighbor? This fall we at St Johns will be partnering with St John's Episcopal to host the Connections Ministry Homeless Shelter. Volunteers will be needed. Watch for more details to come as plans for this season are finalized. If you have not had a chance to sign up yet or want more information call Barb Radke at 507-995-1631 / email: radke008@umn.edu Or Pat Shortall at 507-327-6907 / email: pshort@hickorytech.net

## St. John's Book Club

Book Club will meet on Wednesday, September 19th at 1:30 PM in the library at St. John's. New members are always welcome. The book for this month is *"Neither Wolf Nor Dog"* by Kent Nerburn. There is no book bag so members will have to contact the libraries in Mankato or North Mankato to reserve a copy. Anita Maki will lead the discussion. Bring a question for discussion as there is no study guide available. If you have questions, please call Barb Vogelsang at 507-338-3124.

# ST. JOHN'S NEWS

## PARISH FAMILY DIRECTORY

Picture sign-ups still available on-line, or by calling or stopping by the church office. If you need assistance with signing up on-line, please call the parish office and ask for Susan. at 507-625-3131.



Photo Session Times and Dates still open:

October 9th-13th and October 30th-November 3rd many various times available!

Open or available times are listed on the web-site. Access the on-line schedule through our Website or Facebook or contact Susan at the office 507-625-3131. Thank you!

## FORMED - FAMILY NIGHT



Family Movie Night!!

Enjoy a FORMED family movie night from the comfort of your own home!

- Go to: [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org)
- Click "LOGIN"...OR click, "Enter Code" on the lower right-hand side of the screen using code: WHF3J9 to create an account
- Click on "Community" (top left-hand side of your screen)
- Choose from 5 family friendly films on the right side of the screen



Parish Office Hours: Weekdays 8:30 am-5:00 pm Office Phone: (507) 625-3131 Emergency (after office hours): (507) 388-7239

Web: [www.stjohnscatholicchurch.com](http://www.stjohnscatholicchurch.com) Check out St. John's on Facebook and Twitter! SJB Catholic Church@SJBCCMN

# SACRAMENTS

## SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

**Baptism** - To prepare your child for Baptism, it is essential that parents participate in Pre-Jordan preparation.

**Marriage** - Contact the parish office 1 year in advance of wedding date. Marriage prep is required.

**Becoming Catholic** - If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic or have questions about the process (Christian Initiation), please contact the parish office.

### **Sacrament of the Sick - Anointing**

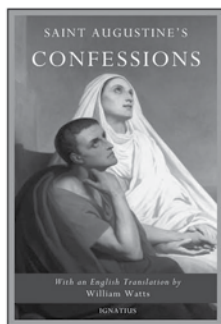
If you have a serious illness, are facing hospitalization and/or surgery, please contact the parish office to arrange to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

## FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

### Saint Augustine's Confessions

#### A Must Read Christian Classic

This fourth century prodigal turned influential Catholic bishop has inspired millions of people across time with his poetic and passionate autobiography. Saint Augustine's powerful proclamation of God's Truth and Mercy through the lens of his own conversion has made this book one of the greatest Christian classics of all time.



*"What an amazing, firsthand account of this saint's conversion. I was inspired by the insight into Christian community among Sts. Augustine, Monica, Ambrose, and others."*

—Joseph B, Lincoln, NE

Read on [formed.org](http://formed.org)



To Access FORMED.org - Use Parish Code: WHF3J9

# LOYOLA NEWS



Learn about Loyola Catholic School (PS-12) Visit [www.loyolacatholicschool.org](http://www.loyolacatholicschool.org)

Contact Angela Casteel at [acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org](mailto:acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org) 507.388.0615 to schedule family tours.

**Did you know?** Loyola is welcoming more than **90 new-to-Loyola students this fall!** In addition to new Preschoolers and Kindergarteners, 20 new students are joining our elementary classes and 23 are joining our 7-12 classes. These are students who are new to the Mankato area or transferring from homeschool or local public schools.

SCHOLA is now taking nominees for **Schola Hall of Fame**. Recommendation forms are available on the Loyola and Schola websites and are due September 1.

**Host Families needed; short term and long term.** Loyola is looking for host families for the entire year (August-June) and for students from Argentina for 5 weeks this winter. Interested? Contact **Angela Casteel at [acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org](mailto:acasteel@loyolacatholicschool.org)** 507.388.0615.

Looking for an opportunity to **volunteer** at school? Want to help in a classroom, on the playground, in the lunchroom, or do projects at home? Call us! 388.0600

**Back-to-school staff orientation/professional development** continued last week with "Top 20" training (making a positive difference through social-emotional development), medical emergency training, and a Diocesan Together in Faith gathering in Rochester.

On **Tuesday, August 28**, we'll celebrate **Day 1** of the new school year.

**THANK YOU** to all who send us **Box Tops for Education, Hy-Vee receipts, and Milk Moola labels.**

Your parish support makes all we do, learn, and celebrate at Loyola possible.

*Leading through Faith, Academic Excellence, and Service.*

## MANKATO NEWMAN CENTER GALA FUNDRAISER

The St. Thomas More Newman Center at Minnesota State University will be hosting a Gala fundraiser on Sunday, September 23rd at 5:30pm at the Verizon Center in Mankato. Nationally renowned Catholic Answers apologist, Trent Horn, will be delivering a powerful message to all present. \$800 purchases a table for 8. Individual tickets may also be purchased for \$100 each. All proceeds support the Newman Center's work of bringing young people to closer to Jesus and the Church! Please register by September 5th by visiting [catholicmavs.org/gala](http://catholicmavs.org/gala) or call 507-387-4154 and ask for Anna. Seating is limited.

# FAITH FORMATION

# DID YOU KNOW?

**St. John the Baptist - Children's & Youth Faith Formation**  
**REGISTRATION 2018-2019**

Members: Director of Youth Formation (DYM) | Youth Pastor (Director of Children's/Youth) & Adult Formation (Director of Formation)

**Children's & Youth Faith Formation Programs**

- Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLW) Separate, Standalone Form
- Sunday Morning Faith Formation
  - Grades 1, 3, & 4: 9:00am-10:00am. Sessions begin Sunday, October 7th.
  - 1st Reconciliation/2nd Communion (Grade 2): 9:00am-10:00am. Sessions begin Sunday, October 7th. Please note that differences in start times! Detailed schedule will be available September 26th at the Parent Meeting (St-Ripon Matthews Hall).
- Wednesday Night Faith Formation
  - Recess (Grades 3 & 4): 6:30pm-8:00pm. Sessions begin Wed., Oct. 3rd, St. John's Church Basement, Matthews Hall.
  - Edgewise (Grades 7 & 8): 6:30pm-8:00pm. Sessions begin Wed., Oct. 3rd, Parish Life Center (PFC) Cafeteria.
  - Confirmation (Grade 9): Separate Registration Form.
  - Life Team (Grades 9-12): 6:00pm-8:00pm. Sessions begin Wed., Oct. 3rd, Parish Life Center (PFC) Gym.

**Return to Study Guidelines**

We will be taking pictures throughout the year for use in our publications. Please notify Kelly or Mairin if you do not want your child or yourself to be photographed in church publications or websites.

**Parent, Guardian & Transportation**

No items are expected to be taken away from the church. All materials covered and any additional work assigned by the priest will be made by the priest.

If a student is to be absent from a session, we will that parent or guardian contact Kelly or Mairin via email (kelly@stjohn.org or mairin@stjohn.org).

Religious, Public, Adult, and Children's are prohibited from smoking in a restricted area with the youth groups.

Respect the church, school, and student property, leave the churches as they were found upon arrival.

Report yourself or others who provide assistance to the diocese to a priest.

## IT'S TIME TO BEGIN THINKING ABOUT FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS!!

**Registration** is available at the kiosk in the narthex and at the Parish Office. You can also print off a registration form online. Contact Kelly or Mairin if you are interested in volunteering this year or with any questions.

Did you know that each of us is a role model? An example to others in what we do and say?

I would like to share a story of one of my experiences (observations) since arriving in Mankato.

I have responsibility in helping with Simon Ministry. As such, I am present every week when we offer our outreach and support to those people who need some extra help. I am getting to recognize and know some of these people and I have seen them out and about in the community. They are our neighbors. In spending some time in conversation with them, I learn that they struggle with challenges, some of which were not in their control or things got out of control somehow. It was the cards of life that were dealt to them. You might have heard the expression... "God does not give you more than what you can handle". Or, "...there but for the grace of God, go I." In the end, it is not for us to judge.

One such individual that I have noticed at Simon Ministry is also someone that I have on repeat occasions seen at Mass here at St. John the Baptist. They clearly recognize the need for God in their life. In this case, I learned that they had an upcoming job interview that they were preparing for.

I have come to realize that our world needs each of us to reach out to our neighbor in need, whether it be a simple kind act, a supportive word, or actual assistance is some way. And remember, our faith calls us to do the same. Jesus said, "...whatever you do for the least of your brothers, you do for me."

We are called to be Christ for one another. He works through us. So, I invite you to consider being a role model... and offer support and encouragement when and where you can. Simon Ministry is one way for you to do that. Consider volunteering to help or to supply some food for the Simon Ministry effort on Thursdays between 10 am and noon. There are several things that you could help with and no experience is necessary.

If you are not available during the day, there will soon be needs for volunteers in the early morning and also the evenings for helping staff the Connections Ministry, which is a joint effort with our neighbor church, St. John's Episcopal Church in serving the homeless.

Unfortunately, people do make judgements. However, "Did You Know"... that it is our own words and actions that influence whether or not they want to be a part of our church?

What kind of a church do you want ours to be?

If you want to know more, or want to volunteer in some way, let me know. You can reach me at the parish office.

Mike Logeais  
 Staff Member

## FALL ADULT BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITY: PRIEST, PROPHET, KING by Father Robert Barron

In Priest, Prophet, King, you'll discover Jesus as the Anointed One – the ultimate priest, prophet, and king foreshadowed throughout the Hebrew Scriptures. Using biblical insights and engaging stories, Bishop Barron affirms that we see Jesus most clearly through the lens of the Old Testament.

**Thursday, September 6 – October 25  
 6:30 pm**

**John Paul II Room**

**Cost: 10.00**

**Facilitated by Joann Jaqua.**

Register by Friday, August 31 to [joann.jaqua@gmail.com](mailto:joann.jaqua@gmail.com). Payment and materials will be handled on the first day of class (September 6).

## CREATE A FLOAT!

### CREATE A FLOAT FOR MNSU'S 150TH HOMECOMING PARADE!

YOU'RE INVITED!! Help represent St. John's in the Sesquicentennial Homecoming Parade for MNSU on September 29th! We are looking for people to JOIN A TEAM to create a float with the theme "Stompin' through the Decades."

**We will need help with:**

- **Designing** • **Creating/Building**
- **Walking in the parade** • **Flatbed trailer (or something similar) and truck to use as the float**

Get those creative juices flowing and contact Phil White if you are interested in helping. (863) 669-5030 or: [pwhite0618@gmail.com](mailto:pwhite0618@gmail.com)

# FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

	August 19, 2018	Budget
Adult Envelopes/Electronic Giving	\$ 12,314.00	\$ 16,865.00
Offertory	\$ 712.53	\$ 557.00
\$1 Youth Envelopes	\$ 19.00	

**Money Counters:** Aug 27 Team 4, Sept 4 Team 1, Sept 10 Team 2

## Budget Status: May 31, 2018

	Current Fiscal YTD*	Prior Fiscal YTD
Income	\$996,899.16	\$968,762.67
Expenses	(\$905,452.68)	(\$933,569.08)
<b>Operating Net Profit</b>	<b>\$ 91,446.48</b>	<b>\$ 35,193.59</b>

\* Results reflect many 2018 full year contributions.

### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL-2017\*\*

	Parish Debt Balance to Date
July 1, 2017	
(\$ 30,925)	(\$ 18,516)

### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL-2018\*\*

Balance	2018 collections	2018 Contributions needed
January 1, 2018		
(\$ 71,730)	\$ 43,421	(\$ 28,309)

### St. John's Young Stewards Time & Treasure

Children's Envelopes \$47.10  
(Talents from Children's Envelopes)

\*\* Catholic Ministries Appeal shortfall from the 2017 Parish obligation paid to the Catholic Foundation of Southern MN which is a separate entity from the Diocese of Winona.

## LITURGICAL CORNER

Do you have any **pyxes** (small containers used for transporting consecrated hosts, i.e. communion to the homebound) that you no longer need or want and would be willing to donate or return to the church? We are currently in need of some so are asking before buying. Please drop off at the front desk or drop in mailbox on Joan's office door. THANK YOU!!!



Bishop Quinn, in recognition and gratitude of your years of marriage, requests the honor of your presence at the Diocesan Marriage Anniversary

**Mass: Sunday, September 16th, 2018.**

The Mass will begin at two o'clock in the afternoon at Good Shepherd Church in Jackson, MN followed by a Light Reception with the Bishop; including the presentation of Anniversary Certificates. Family and friends are encouraged to attend!

Please register at <https://www.dow.org/event-details/495>

## CIRCUS METAMORPHOSIS

*an all-inclusive play,*

*presented by Aktion Club Theatre of Mankato*

Sunday, August 26 2-4 p.m.

Sunday's performance is sensory-friendly;

Please call Arc SW at 507-345-4223 for more information

Location: Mankato West High School Auditorium

1351 S Riverfront Dr., Mankato

Cost: free will donation

Aktion Club Theatre group is a collaborative community club for people of all abilities and ages, where people, art and community partner for a brighter, more inclusive future for all. The club focuses on social justice issues related to disabilities, increased community awareness about issues people with disabilities face, embracing everyone's abilities within the group, and sharing everyone's gifts and talents in a safe, compassionate environment. For more information, contact parish member Clarissa Meissner at 507-317-1078 or Arc SW.

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Make plans for a fall get-away with the one you love before your calendar fills up!!

A Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next available Weekends are Sep 14-16, 2018 in KASSON, MN and Nov 16-18, 2018 in Windom, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: [southmnwwme.org](http://southmnwwme.org) or contact Miki at [applications@southmnwwme.org](mailto:applications@southmnwwme.org) or 507-227-8229.

Those who have entered eternal life...



Our deepest sympathy to the family of Phyllis Maloney whose mother died August 6, 2018.

# LITURGICAL MINISTERS

September 1/2

## Musicians

5:15 pm – Jaci James, Sharon Peterson  
8:00 am – Jaci James, Kelsie Davis  
10:00 am – Jeanne Makela, Kristin Bogenschutz

## Eucharistic Ministers

5:15 pm – Lisa Adams, Dale Barrie, Lynn Beadell, Mardell Brauer, Rita Dauw, Karen Dehn, John Fell, Carol Frederick  
8:00 am – Susan Durbala, Chuck Frost, Nicole Goebel, Cindy Hanson, Patty Marzinske, Najwa Massad, Chad & Martha Witte  
10:00 am – Kris Barnes, Mike Burkhardt, Mike Coughlan, Beth & Dan Denhof, Maria Donahue, Dan & Sandy Fogal

## Lector

5:15 pm – John Bulcock, Sheila Skilling  
8:00 am – Brian & Jan Hughes  
10:00 am – Mike Coughlan, Bruno Gad

## Sacristan

5:15 pm – John Bulcock  
8:00 am – Pat Sullivan  
10:00 am – Sarah Nelson

## Server

5:15 pm – Claire & Samuel Orcutt  
8:00 am – Nic Goebel, Collin Kirschner  
10:00 am – Cameron Miller, Calvin O'Connor, Connor Raitz

## Ministers of Hospitality

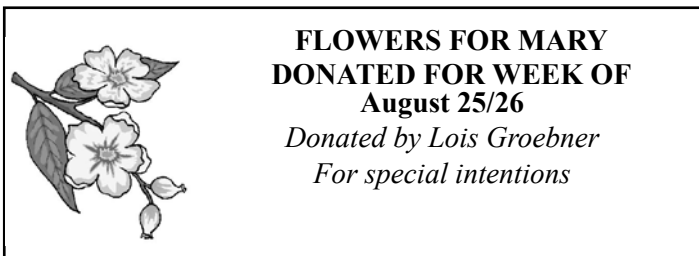
5:15 pm – Team 2  
8:00 am – Team 6  
10:00 am – Team 10

## Weekly EM (August 27-31)

Mike Burkhardt

## Laurel's Peak Service – (August 30)

3:00 pm – Marge Schmidt, Laurett Van Deusen



## ST. JOHN PAUL II HOMESCHOOL

The St. John Paul II Homeschool Enrichment Program meets on Fridays during the school year at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Mankato. Preschool - High School classes are offered and include Choir, Art, Science, and Gym. There is a free Nursery. For more information, please contact Lisa at [mamaschwam@aol.com](mailto:mamaschwam@aol.com) or 345-5200.

# AREA NEWS

## GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR A MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONAL!

Catholic Charities of Southern Minnesota is seeking a psychotherapist licensed for independent practice to take over an established outpatient practice for a retiring LICSW at our Rochester MN location. Catholic Charities is a social service agency with a strong reputation in Rochester and surrounding communities for providing excellent counseling services for a broad range of clients; we serve (and hire) people of all faith traditions. The qualified candidate will have the support of top-notch on-site office staff to assist with credentialing, billing, and client scheduling. Hours are flexible.

Applicants must have at least a Master's degree in a mental health field and must be licensed as an independent mental health practitioner in the State of Minnesota. Four years of post-graduate clinical work experience is preferred.

Applicants may apply by sending a cover letter, resume, and three work related references to Catholic Charities, PO Box 379, Winona MN 55987 or email [info@ccsommn.org](mailto:info@ccsommn.org) by August 31, 2018. It can also be viewed at our website at [www.ccsommn.org/employment/](http://www.ccsommn.org/employment/).

## HOPE UNITED GRIEF GROUP FALL RETREAT

*"Healing Takes Time" - Sept. 14th-16th, 2018*

We would like to invite you to the fall retreat, Healing Takes Time, sponsored by Hope United Grief Group. This retreat will focus on five different types of grief – Loss of Spouse; Loss of Child; Loss through Suicide; Pregnancy & Infant Loss and Loss of Sibling/Parent. We will have main speakers with breakout sessions that will be facilitated by those who have experienced similar losses.

The retreat will be held Friday 7:00 p.m. through Sunday 11:00 a.m. at The Franciscan Retreat and Spirituality Center in Prior Lake, MN. This interdenominational retreat is meant to be a Gift from God to remind the grieving that there IS hope after the loss of a loved one, no matter where they may be on their journey of grief.

\$175.00 for a semi-private room \*(shared bath with a folding door between the bedroom area and a private entrance to each room and bath) \*If you have a specific person you would prefer to share the suite with, indicate on the registration form.

Please Note: There are confidential partial scholarships available. For more information or to register for the retreat, please contact Marlene Hunt at 507-381-1177 or 507-931-2320 or email [marlenehunt53@gmail.com](mailto:marlenehunt53@gmail.com) Facebook: Hope United Grief Group