

*Winner Methodist
Church*

THE VISION

June

2026



Leadership Council

The Leadership Council met on May 17, 2026. Members present were Pastor Tony Coffman, Donna Duffy, Diane Durrin, Vanessa Goodell, Linda Nelson, Dan Patmore, Korie Pravecek, Mick Rowe, Lori Schaeffer, Randy VandenHoek, Bobbi Viedt, and Judy Mills. Jack Frantz also attended. The meeting commenced at 10:30 AM. Randy VandenHoek open the session with prayer.

Randy VandenHoek moved to approve the previous meeting's minutes. Linda Nelson seconded the motion, and the council unanimously approved the minutes. The Treasures Report was presented.

Pastor Tony Coffman shared entries from his journal, including two funerals in the past 30 days and marriage counseling.

Vanessa Goodell discussed upcoming VBS with the theme of Kingdom Quest. This will take place July 6-8 from 6:00 PM-8:00PM. Volunteers will need to renew the Sexual Awareness Training sometime in late July.

Diane Durrin reported that confirmation has concluded. She was very impressed with the confirmand's speeches. Next year, the 7th–8th grade confirmation class will study the Old Testament.

The Outreach Committee had no report. Donna Duffy reported that Cares will meet in July to make goodies for assisted living facilities for the Fourth of July. There was 1 funeral in June.

The SPR Committee had no report. The Worship Committee will not meet again until September.

The Finance Committee reviewed the first-quarter report. Three thousand dollars was taken from the scholarship fund to cover this year's scholarships. The trustees will need additional funds this year, and there was discussion about using money from capital investments and memorial funds.

The Trustees' Committee reported that 48 of the 50 chairs ordered have been received. The new defibrillator has arrived and will be installed. Darin Nelson will spray weeds in the parking lot. The committee will hold a workday on May 30, and an announcement will be made during the church service. The AV team also reported screen issues.

The Missions Committee will distribute another meal and ask for names of community members who may need meals. Their ministry continues to provide both nourishment and spiritual care.

A booth will be hosted at Hills Alive in Rapid City on July 17–19. Pastor Tony Coffman asked for volunteers to help staff it. Randy VandenHoek moved that the council not meet in June. Korie Pravecek seconded the motion, and it was approved.

The meeting adjourned at 11:08 AM with a closing prayer by Pastor Tony Coffman.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Mills

Frustrated About New Music

June 2026

Pastor Tony



The following was a letter sent, and the answer to the one with the concern.

Sender: Maybe I'm just old-fashioned, but our new music leader is introducing new songs into the service, and I don't care for them. I like the old music and old hymns, and wish he'd just stick with them. Should I complain?

Answer: I know this has been a controversial issue, and I don't pretend to have the right answer. But what I know is that we have a single faith, and God has given us the gift of music to praise him with it. The Psalmist declared,

"With singing lips my mouth will praise you." (Psalm 63:5).

Instead of complaining to your pastor (or to anyone else), I urge you to ask God to help you be grateful for all music that points us to God, new or old. No, you may not like some of it, but others do, and God can use it in their lives to encourage them and bring them closer to Christ.

Remember: The old hymns you like were once new and someone probably didn't like them either!

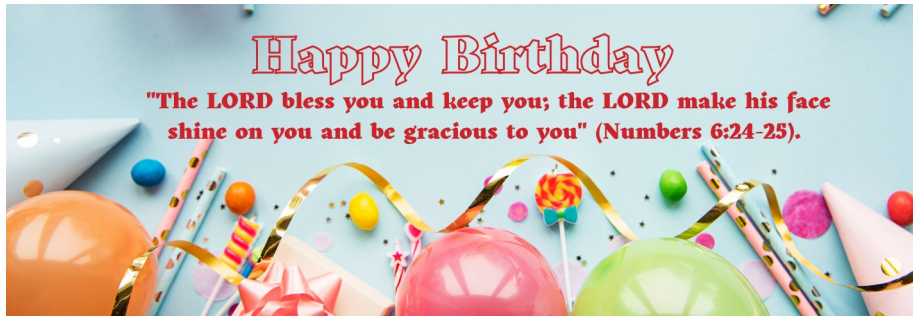
Sometimes, I'm afraid, A hymn can become so familiar to us that we sing it without even thinking about the words. But this is wrong, because then our singing becomes empty and meaningless. Don't let this happen to you, but meditate on the words of every song you sing, and even turn them into a prayer.

Your new music leader has probably been wise to introduce new songs. Pray for him and encourage him, letting him know that you are grateful for his gifts. Yes, let him know you appreciate the old hymns and songs, but support him also as he seeks to reach a new generation through worship.

You'd be justified in thinking that this letter was sent to Winner Methodist and that the answer is mine, but you'd be mistaken. This letter was sent to Reverend Billy Graham decades ago when he had a question-and-answer column in syndicated newspapers.

Music is a language, and like language, music is constantly changing. Not all new music should be played in a worship service, but much of it honors God and blesses the church. Be willing to get out of our comfort zone, stop wanting things to go our way, and worship our God.

Welcome to Summer,
Pastor Tony



Harriet Hoffine	June 1
Trent Olson	June 1
Dorothy Gant	June 1
Briggs Taggart	June 1
Allie Tideman	June 1
Alona Burtz	June 2
James Dvorak	June 2
Melissa Petersen	June 4
Dan Burtz	June 4
Keith Gebhart	June 4
Karlee Brozik	June 5
Barb Lee	June 5
Ashley Bowling	June 6
Sid Durrin	June 7
Alicia Nelson	June 8
Michael Rohde	June 9
Rickita Dice	June 9
Jacob Woods	June 9
Myrna Loy	June 11
Allie Lapsley	June 12
Wanda Wiken	June 14
Griffin Vanneman	June 15
Hayes Jorgensen	June 19
Rhonda Augspurger	June 20

Chase Blotsky	June 20
Malon Burtz	June 24
Bobbie Viedt	June 24
Darrell DeSersa	June 25
Melanie Bachmann	June 26
Melanie Buel	June 28
Pierce Nelson	June 28
Lee Fisher	June 29
Charles Axtell	June 30
Bob Benson	June 30
Lenna Vanneman	June 30



Ross & Kim DeMers	June 5
Blake & Emily Tideman	June 7
Alex & Macie Till	June 7
Nick & Ashley Jorgensen	June 8
Brad & Laura Kahler	June 11
Keith & Geneice Gebhart	June 15
Brent & Sarah Taggart	June 16
Todd & Korie Pravecek	June 18
Gary & Diane Durrin	June 19
Ed & Bonnie Watzel	June 20
Gary & Melissa Petersen	June 20
Justin & Tasha Vanneman	June 20
Darrell & Barb DeSersa	June 21
Dave & Carol Phillips	June 23

JUNE BIBLE READING PLAN

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Job 25-27	2 Job 28-30	3 Job 31-33	4 Job 34-36	5 Job 37-39	6 Job 40-42	
7 Psalms 1-5	8 Psalms 6-10	9 Psalms 11-15	10 Psalms 16-20	11 Psalms 21-25	12 Psalms 26-30	13 Psalms 31-35	
14 Psalms 36-40	15 Psalms 41-45	16 Psalms 46-50	17 Psalms 51-55	18 Psalms 56-60	19 Psalms 61-65	20 Psalms 66-70	
21 Psalms 71-75	22 Psalms 76-80	23 Psalms 81-85	24 Psalms 86-90	25 Psalms 91-95	26 Psalms 96-100	27 Psalms 101-105	
28 Psalms 106-110	29 Psalms 111-115	30 Psalms 116-120					



JUNE 2026

Sun

Mon

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Sat

	1	2 6:30 AM Men's Prayer Group 6:15 PM AV Ministry	3	4 6:30 PM Missions Ministry	5	6
7 9:00 AM Worship Service Communion 10:30 Daniel Bible Study	8	9 6:30 AM Men's Prayer Group	10	11 7:00 PM SPR Ministry	12	13
Pastor Tony Vacation						
14 9:00 AM Worship Service	15	16 6:30 AM Men's Prayer Group	17	18	19	20
Pastor Tony Vacation			Annual Conference			
21 9:00 AM Worship Service Father's Day Annual Conference	22	23 6:30 AM Men's Prayer Group	24	25	26	27
28 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:30 Daniel Bible Study	29	30 6:30 AM Men's Prayer Group				

**YOU NEVER KNOW
WHICH CHURCH
SERVICE WILL
PROFOUNDLY TOUCH
YOUR LIFE, BUT IT
WON'T BE THE ONE
YOU MISSED.**



BLUE BUCKET-VBS

**FOOD PANTRY REQUEST– INSTANT POTATOES,
SPAGHETTIOS, HAMBURGER HELPER**

As summer approaches and many of us look forward to upcoming vacations, it is important to remember the ongoing needs of our church. Even while we are away or experiencing changes in our routines, the church continues its work and relies on the generosity of its congregation. Please consider maintaining your regular giving to support the church's mission and activities during this season.

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ON-LINE**



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***Service Time* 9:00 AM**

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