



Saturday Night Alive!

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At a Glance: Upcoming Events

Saturday, March 27, Heart of
Worship @ 7:00 pm at Trinity
Lutheran Church—location
change from last newsletter

Easter Sunday, April 4th,
Sunrise Service @ 7:00 am @
Mt. Rushmore

Saturday, April 10th @
7 pm, Life Study @ CLM

Saturday, April 17th @
6 pm, Potluck and Life Study
@ CLM

Saturday, April 24th @
7 pm, Party @ Free
Methodist Church

Saturday, May 1st @
7 pm Coffee House @
Alternative Fuel

Sunday, May 2nd, Sunday
Lunch @ 12:30 PM @ Philly
Ted's

Saturday, May 8th @
7 pm, Life Study @ CLM

Saturday, May 15th @
7 pm, Digital Scavenger Hunt
@ CLM

Saturday, May 22nd @
6 pm, Potluck and Life Study
@ CLM

Thursday May 27th—Monday
May 31st, Memorial Weekend
Singles Retreat near Glacier
National Park

Losing A Friend

By Jackie Dittman

Kind, friendly, hard working, loyal, honest, reliable, trustworthy, fun and full of life. I could go on, but these are just a few words that come to mind when I think of Christy Caswell.

It was probably 15 years ago that we met at The Animal Clinic. I was employed there and she began as a volunteer. She loved animals—especially cats! She was very reliable and a hard worker. I really enjoyed working with her. We had a lot of fun. Who would know 15 years later the events that would occur.

As time went on and I needed a cat sitter, I began to call Christy. She lived in the same neighborhood at that time, so it was very convenient. My cats loved her—even the scared one that few people ever saw—would come running when he heard her voice. I always knew they were in good hands with Christy.

Over the years we have pet sat for each other as the need arose. When I broke my back and couldn't get home for 9 days, I said, "Call Christy," and she was right there to take care of my cats.

A year ago in January she called asking if I could pet sit for about 3 weeks as she had some medical issues to take care of. I called her back and asked what was going on. That was the beginning of a long, (and yet short) very hard journey. She had been diagnosed with triple negative breast cancer and was at the time only 35 years old.

I have had the sacred privilege of walking through this journey with her and have learned some awesome things. These are just a few of them:

- How to die with dignity. What a testimony of going through this whole ordeal with grace, dignity and caring about others. Her sweet spirit shone through day after day.
- Make time for people. God has placed people in our lives and we never know how long they will be there. Don't miss those opportunities.
- Slow down and seek God. Really seek Him and ask Him how to spend each day.
- Don't rush the day away. Sometimes we want the day to hurry up and be over. Remember it's the only today you have.
- Be available. Both to God and to people.
- Take a risk. Don't shrink back out of feelings of fear or inadequacy. Ask God to work through you and He will.
- Share your faith. Don't let fear keep you from sharing the good news of salvation with people. They just might be ready to accept it. What a privilege!

Christy lost her battle with cancer on February 28, 2010 at the age of 36. I am honored to know her and call her my friend. I will not forget her and I look forward to seeing her again someday in Heaven. I hope we get to live in the same neighborhood again.

Fruit of the Spirit

Love

"Love the Lord our God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." Mk. 12:30

"And now these three remain; faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love." I Cor. 13:13

"There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love." I John 4:18

Patience

"The Lord is not slow in keeping His promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance." 2 Pet. 3:9

"..being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully giving thanks to the Father..." Col. 1: 11-12

"Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another

Faithfulness

"And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him." Heb. 11:6

"In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one." Eph. 6:16

"Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer." Rom. 12:12

Joy

"Consider it pure joy, my brothers whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance." James 1:2-3

"I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and that your joy may be complete."

John 15:11

"Be joyful always;" I Thess. 5:16

Kindness

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Col. 3:12

"Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you." Eph. 4:32

"..when we are slandered, we answer kindly."

Gentleness

"Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near." Phil. 4:5

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Col. 3:12

"But you, man of God, flee from all this, and pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness."

Peace

"May God Himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." I Thess. 5:23

"Peacemakers who sow in peace raise a harvest of righteousness." James 3:18

"And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding will guard your hearts and your

Goodness

"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers." Gal. 6:10

"Do not be overcome with evil, but overcome evil with good." Rom. 12:9

"To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honor and immortality, He will give eternal life." Rom. 2:7

Self-control

"For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline." 2 Tim. 2:7

"But since we belong to the day, let us be self-controlled, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet." I Thess. 5:8

"For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to persever-

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May be placed on your refrigerator for easy access. (Or in your pocketbook or glove box!)

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(Note: the abbreviation CLM stands for Christian Life Ministries which is located at 1948 North Plaza Dr., Rapid City, SD. Details on the Life Studies and other activities will be posted on our website: www.saturdaynightalivesingles.com as they become available or call Darcie @ (605) 209-6677)

SATURDAY, March 27th, 7:00 PM—9:00 PM "Journey into a Heart of Worship" at Trinity Lutheran Church, 402 Kansas City Street, Rapid City, (Location change from previous newsletter.) See back page for more info.

April 2010

SUNDAY, April 4TH-EASTER, sunrise Service at Mt. Rushmore 7:00 am. Join other singles celebrating Easter at Mt. Rushmore. Hear and see "Sheltered Reality", a group of teen drummers who learn drumming to help them deal with their issues. Meet at Mt. Rushmore Rd. Safeway to car pool. Leaving promptly at 6:30 am. Dress warmly, it may be cold.

SATURDAY, April 10th—7:00 PM Meet at CLM for a sensational Life Study with Bob Hayford. He will be sharing about The Fruit of the Spirit—Joy.

SATURDAY, April 17th—6:00 PM Meet at CLM for a Potluck dinner and another special Life Study. Speaker is Bob Hayford and he will be sharing about the Fruit of the Spirit—Love.

SATURDAY, April 24th—7:00 PM Meet at the Free Methodist Church, 4813 S. Canyon Rd., Rapid City, for an evening of FUN!! Ping pong, games, and movies available in the basement for FREE!! May bring snacks to share.

May 2010

SATURDAY, May 1st—7:00 PM Meet at Alternative Fuel Coffee House, 620 Main Street, Rapid City. Come for a great time of fellowship, fun and music provided by Mark Theissen. Cover charge is \$2.00 (Food and beverages available for purchase.)

SUNDAY, SUNDAY LUNCH May 2nd—12:30 PM Meet at Jimmy John's, 1600 block of Haines Ave. (by Runnings), Rapid City, for a great meal and fellowship.

SATURDAY, May 8th—7:00 PM Meet at CLM for a super Life Study.

SATURDAY, May 15th—7:00 PM Meet at CLM for a Delirious Digital Scavenger Hunt. Bring your digital camera and come prepared to have a great time. Teams will be formed to compete for the best pictures. Prizes will be given!

SATURDAY, May 22nd—6:00 PM Meet at CLM for a Potluck meal and another stupendous Life Study.

THURSDAY—MONDAY, Memorial weekend Singles' Retreat @ Glacier National Park, MT Contact Craig @ (605) 348-2258 for more information.

Journey into a Heart of Worship

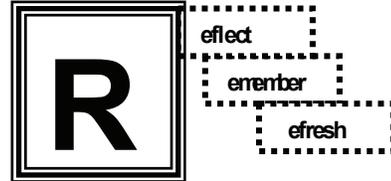
Saturday, March 27, 2010
7:00p.m. – 9:00p.m.
at Trinity Lutheran Church
402 Kansas City Street
Rapid City, SD

Located downtown off 5th & St. Joseph streets behind Hardees

Come just as you are to reflect, remember, and refresh.

Join us for a journey into the heart of worship to contemplate, seek, and celebrate the fingerprints of God's work and presence in our lives..

This evening of corporate worship and celebration is a Saturday Night Alive Christian Singles sponsored event.



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Vision Statement: Providing a safe place for single adults to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ; to be encouraged and challenged; meeting together in an atmosphere of fun and acceptance.

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