

South Dakota Lutheran Secretariat

Via de Cristo Newsletter

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End of Year 2025 Edition Enean Mattes, editor

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**VDC Weekend "Report" // 4th Day Encouragement //
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Many Have Responded ... After an emotional and rewarding weekend, here is
some insight to the experience.

This 3 days of Via De Cristo was an amazing time of Spiritual renewal for myself and all who attended! I believe the periodic combining of men and women during Chapel sessions and Communion was very good as it greatly enhanced the singing and overall conversations I felt! All guests sincerely appreciated the great efforts of the service teams and Swan Lake staff to make this a Memorable time of renewing and recharging of our Faith! ~~ Roger S.

Finding God through the powerful talks.

"TEC for adults" was my only inkling of what to expect. The idea of being served and not to serve was a difficult concept. I paused, opened my heart, and have been abundantly filled to overflowing and am on fire to share Jesus. When you step out, give up control (we don't have it anyway) and stop being anxious, you really see how much Grace God has for you.

One thing I realized is my faith has really grown which is the study part of grace. ~~ Raylene P.

I feel this weekend has been a very blessed gift. I loved listening to the speakers and learning about God's Grace. ~~ Susan Z.

Colossians 3:12-17 ~ Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

4th Day Community This Newsletter is by you and for you

Please prayerfully consider : writing encouraging articles, listing activities going on in your communities, giving feedback on what you would like to see here.

- Grand Ultreya – Sat. Dec.6th @ Noon --- Swan Lake Christian Camp, Chapel Bldg
- TEC Weekend: March 20-22, 2026 @ Yankton, SD
- Spring Ultreya – Sat. April 25th @ Noon --- Morningside Lutheran Church, Sioux City IA
- TEC Weekend: July 24-25, 2026 @ Sioux City, IA
- VDC Weekend – November 12-15, 2026
 - Swan Lake Christian Camp

T-SHIRTS FOR SALE

PROCEEDS GO FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

PLACE YOUR ORDER SOON!!!

SHORT SLEEVE - \$16 / LONG SLEEVE - \$20

CREWNECK SWEATSHIRT - \$36 / HOODIES - \$36



South Dakota Lutheran Secretariat is a governing board to put on Via de Cristo weekends, supporting Ultreyas and hosting training practice days. The Grand Ultreya on December 6th will also serve as an Annual Meeting for the 4th Day Community. This Board needs a Secretary, several at-large representatives from all areas and another Newsletter Editor. Please be in prayer to serve with this Family Team.

De Colores!!!