

I will light the way,  
you only need to follow.



OVERCOMING ADVERSITY ~ WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE, LENT 2017

Wednesday Nights  
during Lent  
March 8 - April 5  
@ 6:15pm

Several speakers will have personal faith stories on "Overcoming Adversity." Please come to be encouraged and invite your friends and neighbors to attend!

GUEST SPEAKERS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

*March 8th ~ Matt Jacobson is a decorated Special Olympic athlete having competed in powerlifting, shotput and swimming. Matt currently lives in Sioux Falls and works at Triple Play Sports Cards. He is a former member of First Presbyterian Church and continues to lead a Christ-centered life. He volunteers extensively with the student ministry at Celebrate Community Church. He is a devoted Minnesota Twins fan and expert in Baseball Card trivia.*

*March 15th ~ John Stiegelmeier ("Coach Stig") is the head football coach for South Dakota State University (SDSU). He is the winningest coach in program history with a 136-93 record and has led SDSU to appear in the FCS rankings nine of the last 10 seasons. "Coach Stig" has earned coach of the year honors in three different conferences. He recently received the 2016 Grant Teaff Award recognizing the success of his team, his involvement in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) and his impact on young athletes. Coach Stig has coached at the University of Northern Iowa, Eau Claire North High School in Wisconsin and Northern State University. In 1988, he returned to SDSU as secondary coach and recruiting coordinator. He later became defensive coordinator. In 1996, he was named the 20<sup>th</sup> head football coach for the Jackrabbits.*

**March 22nd ~ Debra Owen serves as the Vice President of State and Federal Relations at the South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations (SDAHO).** Prior to working with SDAHO, she served as senior staff attorney for the Bureau of Human Resources for the State of South Dakota. Debra grew up in Helena, Montana, where she was actively engaged in church and the music ministry. In 2013, Debra was diagnosed with stomach cancer. Her treatment plan included nine weeks of an aggressive chemo cocktail, surgery to remove her entire stomach, followed by another five weeks of chemo. Although the journey to wellness was daunting at times, her doctors have described her as their “Christmas miracle” and a “one percenter” in terms of her survival. She credits her health to great (medical) care and A LOT of prayer!

**March 29th ~ Taylor Chapman is a recent standout athlete for Morningside College and the University of South Dakota (USD).** Nearly paralyzed during an accident while playing in a high school basketball game, Taylor was told his days on the court were done. He turned his love for basketball to running. Taylor attended Morningside University to become a five-time All-American and three-time National Champion (4 x 800) on the track. As a star collegiate athlete at the age of 20, Taylor was told to stop running. Taylor was diagnosed with avascular necrosis and he was informed that he would need a total hip replacement. This was his second set-back that would have side-lined most people; but Taylor never gave up hope. Two months following surgery, Taylor returned to practice with his teammates. Taylor describes his faith in God as his inspiration.

**April 5th ~ Andrea McCartney is entering her seventh year as Associate Head Coach for the University of Sioux Falls (USF) Volleyball program.** Her 21 years of coaching experience led her to stops at the University of Georgia, Winthrop University, the University of Oklahoma and Bellevue University. As a player, Andrea was a four-year letter-winner at Bellevue University, where she earned MCAC First Team and NAIA All-Region honors as an outside hitter. She also played one season for the Nebraska Tornadoes in the NVA Professional League as a defensive specialist in 1997. Andrea is married to USF Cougar’s head volleyball coach Joel McCartney. The couple has two children, a daughter Kate, and a son James. In addition to coaching, Andrea serves as the Associate Teaching Director for The Community Bible Study, a women’s Bible study group in Sioux Falls.



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