

VERNON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

— and — SOUTH WEST PRAIRIE LUTHERAN CHURCH

— & — proudly present — & —

We The People— *Cemetery Walk*



SUNDAY
AUGUST 23RD, 2026



4:00–6:00PM
TOURS EVERY 30 MINUTES

AT ONE OF VERNON COUNTIES
OLDEST CHURCHES –
SOUTH WEST PRAIRIE LUTHERAN
CHURCH AND CEMETERY
S8466 Prairie Road, rural Viroqua



Costumed interpreters representing residents from the past will await you at their gravesites where they will share their life stories.

RESIDENTS BEING REPRESENTED

Soren (Hjerman) Jerman – Early Settler – Craig Woodhouse

Nils Bringe – Early Settler – Armand Bringe

Kenneth Hendrickson – Developed A-Frame Tobacco Shed – Ralph Hendrickson

Clarence Jerman – WWII Veteran – Seth McClurg

Paul Ekern – Farmer/Inventor – Brooks Ekern

Genevieve Birkolo – Teacher – Lorna Crowley-Vento

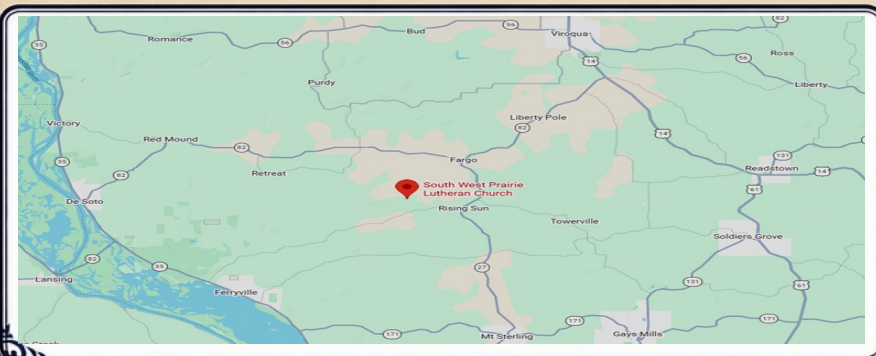
Keith Bankes – Farmer/Mechanic – Jody Bankes

Lemonade and
water will be
served.

Bake sale including
Norwegian treats.

Church will be open
to view 170 year old
wooden altar and
unique stenciled walls.

In case of inclement
weather, activities will
move inside the church.



**S8466 PRAIRIE ROAD,
RURAL VIROQUA**

SUGGESTED DONATION
\$5.00