

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week of March 20, 2022

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## JOYS:

- \*Steve & Lea Nelson's grandson won the National Wrestling Competition
- \*Barbara Vancura's daughter Alison had a birthday on 3/20
- \*The Congolese worship community was with us on 3/20, offering their musical gifts for both services
- \*60th Anniversary celebration at Lovely Lane UMC this year, & we will do the CAT (Congregational Assessment Tool) as part of this 60th anniversary celebration
- \*Spring is upon us & we give thanks that many could take a spring break vacation
- \*Recent Prayer Vigil at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church
- \*March Madness Basketball
- \*Possibility that daylight savings could become permanent

## PRAYER CONCERNS:

- \*Marti Bowman's son, Adam, having hip replacement surgery on 3/23
- \*Barbara Vancura's neighbor's son died @ 26 years old
- \*Prayers for the family of Rev. Melisa Bracht-Wagner who died last week after a long battle of cancer; Rev. Melisa organized the flood recovery in 2008 out of Marion UMC
- \*Continued prayers for the family of the teens who were injured or killed in the fatal drive-by shooting outside of a Des Moines High School earlier this month
- \*Continued prayers for the war in Ukraine
- \*Continued prayers for the ongoing pandemic
- \*Families who suffer with mental health issues &/or addiction

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**SIMPSON COLLEGE CHOIR** will perform at Lovely Lane THIS Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, at 8 PM, as part of their 2022 tour. Admission is free. Please plan to attend!

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**PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE STUB TO PURCHASE AN EASTER LILY OR TULIP** to adorn our sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup>, and in memory of or honor of a loved one. We are taking advantage of special church pricing from Pearson's Flower Shop. We need to phone in our order by Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, so please place your order by noon on that date.

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**GET A FREE LENT DAILY REFLECTION-ACTION CALENDAR** at the Welcome Center. From Creation Justice Ministries, it will help you "take time to learn, reflect, repent, ask God for forgiveness, and take concrete steps to change course" as we live out our Christian faith as stewards of God's good creation.

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**CARD SHOWER FOR JAN PETERSON:** Jan is turning 90 on March 28<sup>th</sup>. This is a wonderful celebration. Family members have suggested a card shower for Jan. You are invited to send cards to: 1055-74<sup>th</sup> St., Cedar Rapids, IA 52402. Thanks!

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**VOLUNTEER FOR JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT:** JA is a nationwide, volunteer led, school based program. The goal of JA is to provide opportunities for educators and students to experience real-world, interactive lessons from the volunteer's perspective. Your experiences, coupled with the JA

curriculum, opens a student's eyes to see themselves beyond school. Visit their website to learn more: [JAEasternIowa.org](http://JAEasternIowa.org).

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**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL** has moved to the 10:30 worship service. At the children's time, children leave to go downstairs for the duration of the service.

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## 2022 LENTEN OFFERING RECIPIENTS

Our Missions Committee has chosen the following to be recipients of this year's Lenten offering:

- \***Matthew 25** is a local non-profit that exists to strengthen core neighborhoods on CR's west side, partnering with them in Neighborhood Building, Youth Development and Cultivating Hope. LL will again partner with Matt25 during Transform Week in late June. Matt25 also aims to raise 1.4 million to invest in and reinvigorate the Time Check neighborhood.
- \***UMCOR** responds to natural or civil disasters of such magnitude that they overwhelm a community's ability to recover on its own. When responding to a disaster in the U.S. or around the world, UMCOR provides training, financial assistance, expertise, and community rebuilding. With climate change we have recently seen more natural disasters such as fires, tornados, and other severe weather.
- \***Green Square Meals** has been serving Cedar Rapids area for 35 years with a free hot meal to those in need. It is the only evening meal program in Cedar Rapids. They currently serve about 30,000 meals a year. Their doors are open to any person in need of a good hot meal. The program depends on donations of food, money, and volunteers who prepare and serve meals.
- \***Water@Work** provides clean water in the Dominican Republic. Nearly a million people in the D.R. still do not have clean water. Contributions to W@W provide funds for construction of water distribution plants that are locally run. Water is sold at a minimal profit to the people. The profits will cover the costs of plant maintenance and to pour back into the communities.

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**KENNEDY COUGAR PANTRY DONATIONS:** Donations go in the labeled tubs below the table outside the church office:

- Ramen Noodles
- Mac & Cheese
- Nutritious snacks (trail mix, granola bars, nuts, crackers, etc.)
- Hygiene items (toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, body wash, shampoo, feminine products, laundry detergent, toilet paper, etc.)
- Non-perishable food items

Thanks for donating so that no Kennedy student goes hungry at home, especially on weekends when they're not in school!

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**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPTIONS:** *Faith Issues* looks at contemporary topics and social issues of the day. The leader is Myrna Loehrlein; class members take turns teaching. This class meets in the library. For *Faith Journeys*, Pastor Scott is leading a Lenten study on the scripture readings we are focusing on in worship. The class meets in Room 205, the first room on the left in the education part of the building. All are welcome!

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**KIDSCLUB** begins with a family meal at 5:30 PM, followed by the 6:00 program. Our theme is *Learning to Love Like God*.

Children enjoy Bible stories, singing, puppets, acting, and making new friends to walk their faith journeys with.

Register online (for KidsClub & Sunday School) on LL's website ([www.lovelylane.org](http://www.lovelylane.org)). We request meal registration *no later than noon each Tuesday* so food quantities can be determined: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054BA4AA22ABF49-wednesday8>.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY:** If the CR School District cancels classes due to inclement weather, LL church Activities will also be canceled that day. Call the church with specific questions. If Sunday AM worship is canceled, look for the notice that should be posted on KCRG-TV (ch. 9) and KGAN-TV (ch. 2).

We will also attempt to post a notice on our website when activities are canceled or postponed.

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday–Thursday: 9 AM–5 PM  
Friday: **CLOSED**

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO GIVE FAITHFULLY** to Lovely Lane. Offerings can be mailed to the church or made online by going to [lovelylane.org](http://lovelylane.org) for giving options. We appreciate your faithfulness in supporting LLUMC's missions and ministries.

**WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SERVANT SIGN-UP:** Please visit our website ([www.lovelylane.org](http://www.lovelylane.org)) to sign up as a greeter, usher, and/or lector. You will find the sign up link for both the 8:30 and 10:30 AM service listed in the website under "Worship Servant Signup." Please check your calendar and choose a date(s) to serve in this important ministry! Thank you in advance for your participation!!

If you're unable to sign up online through our website, call the church office and Sue or Marti will sign you up online. Thanks!!

**THIS WEEK AT LOVELY LANE**

*Ministry Opportunities*

Events in Bold Face = everyone

**SUNDAY — March 20<sup>th</sup>** *3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent*

8:30 AM **Worship Service** (in person) – Sanctuary  
9:00 AM Chancel Choir practice – Choir room  
9:30 AM **Sunday School**  
10:30 AM **Worship Service** (in person & live stream) – Sanctuary  
12-2 PM Congolese congregation – Sanctuary  
4:00 PM *Living Last Supper Practice* – Sanctuary  
5-6:30 PM Youth Group (tour of New Pi)

**MONDAY — March 21<sup>st</sup>**

6:30 PM Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall

**TUESDAY — March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

9:30 AM UMW Bible Study – Library

**WEDNESDAY — March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

9:30 am Care Center Ministry (offsite)  
5:30 PM Family meal – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen  
6:00 PM KidsClub – Fellowship Hall et al.  
6:00 PM Youth Group – Fellowship Hall, et al.  
6-7:15 PM Confirmation – Rm. 205

7:15 PM Bell choir rehearsal – Sanctuary

**THURSDAY — March 24<sup>th</sup>**

6:00-7 PM *Nourished Thursday Centering* (@ Groundswell Café)

**FRIDAY — March 25<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 PM Simpson College Choir Concert – Sanctuary

**SATURDAY — March 26<sup>th</sup>**

2:00 PM Congolese worship mtg. – Fellowship Hall

**SUNDAY — March 27<sup>th</sup>** *4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent*

8:30 AM **Worship Service** (in person) – Sanctuary  
9:00 AM Chancel Choir practice – Choir room  
9:30 AM **Sunday School**  
10:30 AM **Worship Service** (in person & live stream) – Sanctuary  
12-2 PM Congolese congregation – Sanctuary  
4:00 PM *Living Last Supper Practice* – Sanctuary  
5-6:30 PM Youth Group (hiking @ Indian Crk. Nature Ctr.)

**MARCH 20, 2022**

*Serving in Worship*

**Greeters**

8:30 – Lyn Lewis  
10:30 – Patty Logsdon & Joy Jackson

**Ushers**

8:30 – Kathy Gilbert  
10:30 – Steve & Deb Streff

**Lectors**

8:30 – Myrna Loehrein  
10:30 – Steve Streff

**Preacher**

Today's service.....Kristina Roth-Klinck

**Staff**

Lead Pastor – Dr. Scott Meador  
Associate Pastor – Rev. Kristina Roth-Klinck  
Senior Office Manager – Sue Moss  
Office Manager – Marti Bowman  
Children's Weekday Ministries Director – Dawn DuPont  
Kid's Club Director – Julie Meyer  
Christian Educator – Barb Geissinger  
High School Youth Director – Ryan Roth-Klinck  
Organist – Dennis Ramsey  
Choir Director – Nancy Patrick  
Children's Choirs – Carla Jesse  
Handbell Director – Charlie Kucera  
Nursery Team – Shelbie Wood, Tara Neveu & Paige Gerjets  
Wedding Coordinator – Becky Wood  
Facilities Manager – Curtis Thomas  
Custodians – Rex & Rhonda Heasty  
Audio / Visual Coordinator – Eric Wylie  
Webmaster – Shelly Turner  
Treasurer – Marcie Stumpf  
Finance Secretary – Patty Logsdon

**March 13, 2022 Worship (in-person)**

**43 @ 8:30 & 91 @ 10:30**

**Total In-person Attendance = 134**

**YouTube views as of 3/17 (of 3/13 10:30 service) = 115**

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or [www.lovelylane.org](http://www.lovelylane.org)