

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week of March 6, 2022

JOYS:

- *Ash Wednesday Pancake Supper & worship service on 3/2
- *Nancy Miller celebrates being back in worship
- *Pastor Kristina & husband, Ryan, attending friend's wedding in Texas
- *Support for the country of Ukraine

PRAYER CONCERNS:

- *Sympathy to family and friends of Dawn Nylin after her passing in early March; her funeral will be on April 23rd
- *Pastor Scott remembers his mother's passing 20 years ago
- *Maggie Thomas's sister, Deb, with health concerns
- *Nancy Patrick's sister, Sandy, & husband, Lamar, with health concerns
- *Frank & Susan Camp's sister-in-law, Georgia, with health concerns
- *Jim & Barb Vancura's friend, Gary, with a brain tumor
- *Communities in Iowa impacted by storms on Saturday night
- *United Methodist General Conference has been moved to 2024

CHANGE FOR CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL: Starting TODAY, March 6th, Children's Sunday School is moving to the 10:30 AM worship service. This will give parents the ability to worship and listen to the sermon without the added stress of keeping their children quiet and entertained. At the children's time, children will leave to go downstairs for the duration of the service.

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, et al.
- ***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.

SPONSOR CIRCLE TEAM: Margaret Nelson is gathering a team from Lovely Lane to partner with Friendship Force CR-IC to co-sponsor a family from Afghanistan. The US State Department is allowing US citizens to sponsor and resettle refugees in a newly developed Afghan Resettlement Sponsor Circle Program. Sponsors work on multiple teams to welcome the newcomers into the community: welcome and local orientation, finance and employment, housing and basic needs, benefits and healthcare, and education and language. We are exploring an opportunity to "welcome the stranger".

If you're interested or have questions, sign up on the STUB. For detailed information, go to <https://sponsorcircles.org>.

KENNEDY COUGAR PANTRY DONATIONS: Place the following in the labeled tubs on 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 in advance for donating so that no Kennedy student goes hungry at home, especially on the weekends when they're not in school!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPTIONS: *Faith Issues* looks at contemporary topics and social issues of the day. Myrna Loehrlein is the leader; class members take turns teaching. This class will meet back in the library starting March 6th. *Faith Journeys* is continuing their study on the book "The Lord's Prayer" by Adam Hamilton (several books still available). The Rev. Steve Pudinski leads this class that meets in Rm. 205 (first room on the left in the education part of the building).

KIDSCLUB CONTINUES! A weekly family meal is offered at 5:30 followed by a program at 6 PM. This year's theme is *Learning to Love Like God*. There are Bible stories, singing, puppets, acting, and more! Children make new friends to walk their faith journeys with as they grow.

Register online (for KidsClub & Sunday School) on LL's website (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>.

Masks are required for children, assistants, and all attending. We'll monitor CDC's recommendations as the year continues.

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY: If the CR School District cancels classes due to inclement weather, LL church activities/events will also be canceled that day. You can 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 for giving options. We appreciate your faithfulness in supporting LLUMC’s missions and ministries.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SERVANT SIGN-UP: You’re invited to sign up as a Worship Volunteer at these direct links:

8:30 am [Worship Servants Sign-Up](https://signup.com/go/eTOpoEa)

<https://signup.com/go/eTOpoEa>

10:30 am [Worship Servants Sign Up](https://signup.com/go/dnjpTwa)

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Sunday greeters, ushers, and lectors are needed. If you’re unable to sign up online through our website, please 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 6th *1st Sunday in Lent*

8:30 AM **Worship Service** (in person) – Sanctuary

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

MONDAY — March 7th

6:30 PM Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY — March 8th

9:30 AM UMW Bible Study – Library

WEDNESDAY — March 9th

9:30 AM *Online Bible Study*

5:30 PM Family meal – Kitchen & Fellowship Hall

6:00 PM Kids Club program – Misc. rooms

6:00 PM Bible Study – Library

6:00 PM Confirmation Class – Room 205

6-7:15 PM Youth Group – Fellowship Hall et al.

7:15 PM Bell choir rehearsal – Sanctuary

THURSDAY — March 10th

8:00 AM Leadership Team (offsite)

11:30 AM UMW mtg. (@Matthew 25)

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

FRIDAY — March 11th

SATURDAY — March 12th

SUNDAY — March 13th *2nd Sunday in Lent*

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Serving in Worship

Greeters

8:30 – Joel & Marilyn Goodman

10:30 –

Ushers

8:30 – Phil & Shirley Martin

10:30 – Deb & Steve Streff

Lectors

8:30 – Lyn Lewis

10:30 – Steve Streff

Preacher

Today’s service.....Scott Meador

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

Feb. 27, 2022 Worship (in-person)

38 @ 8:30 & 64 @ 10:30

Total In-person Attendance = 102

YouTube views as of 3/3 (of 2/27 10:30 service) = 120

Ash Wednesday (3/2) = 91 (YouTube views = 42)

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