

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week of April 10, 2022

JOYS:

- *Connor Culbertson got his permit to drive, so celebrating him & others who are now driving!
- *Good first performance of "Living Last Supper"
- *Great results from our 4/9 Blood Drive
- *Nourished's Forest Bathing at the nature center
- *Matthew 25's Cultivate Hope Corner Store, the new grocery store on Ellis Blvd. opened this week
- *Historical moment this week as the country approved the first black woman to sit on the supreme court - Ketanji Brown Jackson

PRAYER CONCERNS:

- *Susan Blum has rotator cuff surgery coming up
- *Karon Niebuhr's brother, Brian, with COPD, & other health concerns
- *Len Hadley's brother, Howard, with a health concern
- *Maggie Thomas' sister, Deb, with surgical removal of a tumor on the neck
- *The shooting in downtown Cedar Rapids early Sunday morning, injuring many & killing two people
- *School teachers with ongoing challenges
- *War in Ukraine & other world concerns
- *Continued prayers for Afghan Resettlement Program

WRAPPED EASTER EGG CANDY NEEDED to fill plastic eggs for our **Easter Egg Hunt THIS Saturday, April 16th, 9-10 AM**. Please place your donations in the basket(s) or bin(s) in the Narthex. Thanks!

EASTER VIGIL GATHERING

Join the *Nourished* community for our version of the Easter Vigil gathering, a gathering of lights and liturgy, together as the first celebration of the resurrection of Jesus.

Saturday, April 16th, 7pm-8:30pm
Groundswell Café, 201 Third Ave SW, CR

PASTOR'S NEW STUDY GROUP: Pastor Scott started a new Weds. Study Group on March 30th at 9:30 AM on Zoom and 6 PM in person. The focus is *Eclipsing Empire*; we'll look at the Apostle Paul and the Roman Empire. All are welcome!

LENT & HOLY WEEK DEVOTIONS: Some church members will contribute daily devotions covering April 4th thru the 15th. The final week will cover Holy Week. Devotions will come to each of you via email in the mornings. These follow devotions that our pastors put together in recent months. We're hopeful we can continue to do this from time to time. It's possible our church will put together an all-church devotional during Lent next year. Lovely Lane has done this in the past. Daily devotions are enhancement to our spiritual lives and help us grow in our faith. If you're interested in writing a devotion in the future, please let Pastor Scott know!

CONGREGATION ASSESSMENT TOOL (CAT): A team has been formed @ LL that will oversee a church survey called *Congregation Assessment Tool*. This assessment tool, a/k/a CAT, will help us understand our church better and provide

information that can help us further our mission as a congregation in the years to come. We're putting this assessment together in our 60th year as a congregation. As we celebrate 60 years, we look ahead to the next 60 years. We can keep doing what we're doing and hope for the best OR we can use critical information to make sound decisions for the years to come. Everyone connected to Lovely Lane will be invited to complete the assessment. CAT will help our leadership team understand areas of satisfaction and energy, discern success factors for improving congregational culture, pinpoint our strengths, and discover areas we want to go as a church in the future. More info. is coming!

DO YOU LOVE TO COOK? CWM is looking for a summer cook to provide breakfast and lunch to approx. 50 children. The position is for 10 weeks, June 6th-Aug. 11th; it's flexible on being Mon.-Thur. or Mon.-Fri. Call Dawn DuPont (393-8189).

A WOMEN'S SPRING MINI-RETREAT takes place on Saturday, April 30th, from 8:30 AM to 12 Noon. You can *Renew! Restore! Refresh!* with singing, themed readings, small group discussion, relaxation opportunities, worship and communion. You'll be able to walk the labyrinth, make hand sugar scrub, color a themed sheet, enjoy tea & tunes, and more! There'll be a goodie bag containing a variety of items for each participant. The registration fee is only \$10 and the deadline to register is 4/24. You can register starting TODAY on the back of the STUB; otherwise, please contact Sue in the church office (suem@lovelylane.org or 319-393-6674) or Joy Jackson (joydjackson@gmail.com).

CELEBRATING OUR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS: High School graduates will be recognized during 10:30 worship on Sunday, May 22. Graduates are encouraged to share photos in preparation for the day. A college scholarship is also available. Specific information was sent to graduating seniors and families. Contact the church office if you didn't receive that mailing.

SUMMER STAFF/VOLUNTEERS NEEDED @ LAKE OKOBOJI UM CAMP: Summer-long paid positions for persons 18+ years provide fun, faith-filled experiences with youth and families. Contact Eric or Kali @ 712-336-2936, or apply online at Okobojicamp.com. For more info. regarding current openings at Lake Okoboji Camp: - [United Methodist Camp & Retreat Center at Lake Okoboji Iowa \(okobojicamp.com\)](http://United Methodist Camp & Retreat Center at Lake Okoboji Iowa (okobojicamp.com)).

DISASTER RESPONSE TEAM LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS! Your Pictured Rocks District Disaster Coordinators are looking for volunteers to join our district disaster response teams. With the new districting, our coverage area has grown significantly in the last year. We currently have two core disaster teams: our long-term recovery team that works to repair homes for those who suffered a disaster AND our chainsaw response teams which respond in the rescue and recovery phases of wind damage throughout eastern Iowa.

Volunteers of any age are needed to become part of these vital teams. We'll provide you with training and equipment. We have opportunities to help in any aspect of a disaster; if you're interested, we have a place for you. If you'd like more details or are interested in joining, email or call a district disaster coordinator: Pastor Keith Pitts (pastorkeithp@gmail.com/319-361-4255) or Pastor Phil Rogers (okduckman@aol.com / 319-573-0589).

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

KIDSCLUB has a family meal at 5:30 PM, followed by the program at 6 PM. 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 (for KidsClub & Sun. Schl.) at www.lovelylane.org. Meal registration must be made by noon each Tuesday at <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 be canceled that day. Call the church with specific questions. If Sunday AM worship is canceled, a notice should be posted on KCRG-TV (ch. 9) and KGAN-TV (ch. 2). A cancellation or postponement notice may appear on our website.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS: Mon.–Thurs. 9 AM–5 PM & Fri. **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: Visit our website (www.lovelylane.org) to sign up as a greeter, usher, and/or lector. The sign-up links for the 8:30 and 10:30 services are listed in the website under *Worship Servant Signup*. Check your calendar and choose a date to serve in this important ministry! Sue or Marti in the church office can sign you up online if you are unable to do so.

THIS WEEK AT LOVELY LANE

Ministry Opportunities Events in Bold Face = everyone

SUNDAY — April 10th *Palm/Passion Sunday*
 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
 6:30 PM Youth Group (eat, then attend LLS performance)
 7:00 PM *Living Last Supper* Performance – Sanctuary

MONDAY — April 11th
 10:00 AM Happy Endings – Library
 6:30 PM Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY — April 12th
NO UMW Bible Study!!!
 12:30-2 PM Clergy Circuit Group – Sanctuary
 6:30 PM SPPRC – Library

WEDNESDAY — April 13th
 9:30 AM *Pastor Scott's Online Bible Study*

5:30 PM Family meal – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
 6:00 PM KidsClub – Fellowship Hall et al.
 6:00 PM Pastor Scott's Bible Study – Library
 6-7:15 PM Youth Group – Fellowship Hall, et al.
 6-7:15 PM Confirmation – Rm. 205
 7:15 PM Bell choir rehearsal – Sanctuary

THURSDAY — April 14th *Maundy Thursday*
 8:00 AM Leadership Team (offsite)
 6:00 PM *Nourished* Maundy Thursday Feast (@ Groundswell Café)
 7:00 PM *Living Last Supper* Performance – Sanctuary

FRIDAY — April 15th *Good Friday*
 7:00 PM Good Friday Worship Service – Sanctuary

SATURDAY — April 16th
 9-10 AM Easter Egg Hunt
 7-8:30 PM *Nourished* Easter Vigil - @ Groundswell Café

SUNDAY — April 17th **EASTER SUNDAY**
 8:30 AM **Worship Service** (in person) – Sanctuary
 9:30-10:30 **Brunch** – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
 10:30 AM **Worship Service** (in person & live stream) – Sanctuary
 12-2 PM Congolese congregation – Sanctuary

APRIL 10, 2022

Serving in Worship

Greeters

8:30 – Myrna & Jim Loehrlein
 10:30 – Susan Camp & Marti Bowman

Ushers

8:30 – Phil & Shirley Martin
 10:30 – Craig Nixon

Lectors

8:30 – Ava Kerns / 10:30 – Leila LaHip

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, Brenda Holub,
 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

April 3, 2022 Worship (in-person) attendance
60 @ 8:30 & 105 @ 10:30 = 165 Total
YouTube views as of 4/7 (of 4/3 10:30 service) = 113