

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 9, 2023

JOYS:

- *Mission trip to the Texas/Mexico border
- *Pride Fest in Cedar Rapids on Saturday, 7/8
- *The *Nourished* Community & Lovely Lane had booths at Pride Fest
- *Wedding for Mitch Turner & Cindy Pringle on July 1
- *Baptism for Ron Malick
- *Welcoming our New Member Class
- *Kathy Hartgrave's brother, Phil, with good news after eye procedure
- *Jan Peterson celebrates Lovely Lane's history
- *Happy 55th Anniversary to Jim & Trish Palmer
- *Palmers celebrate birth of fourth granddaughter
- *Appreciation to Cheryl Murphy for leading a Women's Bible Study over the years

PRAYER CONCERNS:

- *Sympathy to Amy & Gabriel Guardado after the passing of Gabriel's mother
- *Sympathy to Jim & Debbie Craig after the passing of Debbie's mother
- *Carol Wilson receiving hospice care
- *Tariq Baluch with pancreatic cancer
- *Barb Olive with heart concerns, seeing a specialist coming up
- *Barb Olive's parents following a car accident
- *Dennis Ramsey's mother, Ann, receiving hospice care
- *Carla Jesse's niece, Pam, following brain surgery, recovery has been a little slow
- *Special legislative session in Des Moines on Tuesday
- *National & international concerns

JULY SPECIAL OFFERING

On Sunday, July 16th, we'll be taking a special offering for students in need at Kennedy High School and Pierce Elementary. Monetary donations will go towards purchasing school supplies for these students. The primary supplies include: backpacks, notebooks, binders, folders, pens, pencils, pencil case/box, erasers, markers, highlighters, crayons, colored pencils, glue, and scissors. The goal is for all students to have the necessary supplies at the beginning of and throughout the school year. The school supplies will be distributed to the students by counselors and teachers. Your support makes a difference to every student that receives these supplies. Thank you, in advance, for the difference that you make in the lives of these young people!

VBS DONATIONS: Vacation Bible School is coming up on 7/16-7/19! To help us decorate for the week, we are asking for donations of the following:

- Pool noodles
- Newspapers
- Old spray paint (any color)
- Old cans of spray foam
- Refrigerator boxes (or other large cardboard boxes)
- Old Christmas lights
- Old landline phones (preferably with cords)

Please only donate things that you no longer want. Any donations can be left in the tub located in the narthex. If you have questions, feel free to contact Olivia Schneider via E-mail at msoschneider3703@gmail.com or via phone at (319) 573-0588.

SUMMER MUSIC SIGN-UP: There's a sign-up sheet located at the Welcome Ctr. in the Narthex for summer special music. There are still dates available. Summer worship at 9:30 AM goes thru Labor Day Sunday, Sept. 3rd. Please consider sharing your musical gifts with the congregation this summer! Thanks!!

CHURCH SHOWER

On Sunday, July 30th, the Finance Committee is having a "Church Shower." The day will work like a baby shower or bridal shower. We will share a registry ahead of time that will include basic items we use in the church. These items might include cleaning supplies, office materials, paper products, bathroom necessities, electronics, etc.... We'll ask you to bring in these items on July 30th. In keeping with the shower theme, we'll have cake, punch, mints, and a few decorations in place. The day should be a fun way to take a "bite out of the budget"! Our budget is in good shape, but we want to stay strong. Instead of spending budget money on these items, we will utilize the donations in the month to come. Stay tuned for more info.

NEED TO CONTACT CURTIS THOMAS, LL FACILITIES MANAGER? Access our new *Breeze* easy to use Facilities Work Order form by either clicking on the following link: <https://lovelylane.breezechms.com/form/1db47c> or accessing the form through the Lovely Lane website. If using the website, click on the down arrow located on the main page, then choose Policies & Forms under the Resources tab.

NOURISHED SEEKING ACCOUNTING VOLUNTEER:

Nourished is so grateful for Lovely Lane's staff in finance for keeping track of money coming in from tithing, fundraising, and sales, and for keeping our budget. We're doing great things with the Gluten Free Bakery, and it's reaching a point where we need to be more formal in bookkeeping. *Nourished* is seeking some accounting help as it continues to expand its Gluten Free Bakery. We need help keeping track of profit and loss, inventory, and other financial matters as we continue to grow. At this time, the position would be voluntary.

Please E-mail Pastor Kristina at kristina@nourishedcr.org if you have any questions, are interested, or know of anyone who would like to serve in ministry in that way.

COUGAR PANTRY DONATIONS will **not** be collected in June or July, at Kennedy or at Lovely Lane. Look for an announcement in August as to when that collection will start up.

WE ARE, HOWEVER, COLLECTING FOOD FOR THE LINN COMMUNITY FOOD BANK IN JUNE AND JULY.

Please place these items in the marked container in the narthex:

Food Staples Always Needed

Canned items: vegetables, fruit, pork & beans, soup, tuna, chicken

Creamy peanut butter, instant mashed potatoes, pasta, pasta sauce, macaroni & cheese, saltine crackers, cereal, corn muffin mix, pancake mix

Also toilet paper & personal hygiene products

Extra Food Items Clients Love

Canned meals: spaghetti, chili, beef stew

Boxed/packaged items: hamburger helper,
ramen noodles, scalloped potatoes

Condiments: ketchup, mustard, pickles, jelly,
salad dressing, mayo

Bring nothing that is perishable, expired, homemade, or in a glass container. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SERVANT SIGN-UP: Please use the following link to sign up as a summer worship volunteer (one service @ 9:30 AM): <https://signup.com/go/NbZgWmh>. You can also visit our website (www.lovelylane.org) to sign up as a greeter, usher, lector, &/or communion server. The sign-up link is listed in the website under *Worship Servant Signup*. Sue or Marti in the church office can sign you up online if you are unable to do so. Thank you!!

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS are Mon.–Thurs. 9 AM–5 PM & Fri. **CLOSED**. Thank you for taking note of it!

THIS WEEK AT LOVELY LANE

Ministry Opportunities (*Events in Bold Face = everyone*)

SUNDAY — July 9th

9:30 AM In-person & live-stream Summer Worship
(1 service)
12:00-2 PM Congolese congregation – Sanctuary

MONDAY — July 10th

10:00 AM Happy Endings – Fireside
6:30 PM Scouts BSA Troop 766 – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY — July 11th

WEDNESDAY — July 12th

6:30-8 PM Youth Group (@ Newbo for Scavenger Hunt)

THURSDAY — July 13th

6:00 PM PEO – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen

FRIDAY — July 14th

SATURDAY — July 15th

1-4:30 PM Mahjong Group – Fellowship Hall

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9:30 AM In-person & live-stream Summer Worship
(1 service)
12:00-2 PM Congolese congregation – Sanctuary
5:30 PM VBS Meal – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
6:00-8 PM VBS Program – various rooms

Serving in Worship – July 9th

Greeters

9:30 – Nancy & Dave Wittenburg

Ushers

9:30 – Phil & Shirley Martin

Lector

9:30 – Marcie Stumpf

Preacher

Today's service.....Scott Meador

LOVELY LANE UMC STAFF

Administration & Worship

Lead Pastor	Dr. Scott Meador
Associate Pastor	Rev. Kristina Roth-Klinck
Director of Media & Technology	Eric Wylie
Organist	Dennis Ramsey
Chancel Choir Director	Nancy Patrick
Handbell Choir Director	Charlie Kucera
Director of Children's Choirs	Carla Jesse
Chancel Choir Accompanist	Linda Bayliss

Children & Youth

Director of Family Ministries	Annie Walker
Director of Youth Ministries	Ryan Roth-Klinck
Nursery Caregivers	Shelbie Wood, Brenda Holub
Children's Weekday Ministries Director	Dawn DuPont

Office & Facilities

Sr. Office Manager	Sue Moss
Office Manager	Marti Bowman
Treasurer	Susan Kohl
Financial Secretary	Tammy Martin
Membership Secretary	Susan Camp
Website & Social Media	Shelly Turner
Facilities Manager	Curtis Thomas
Custodians	Rex & Rhonda Heasty
Wedding Coordinator	Becky Wood

July 2 '23 summer worship attendance (special joint service @ Coe College) in-person @ 9:30 AM = 220+ total; YouTube views = 383