# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

November 26, 2023

## JOYS:

- \*Thanksgiving celebrations with friends & family
- \*Holiday travel on the roads
- \*Ron & Rita Stewart celebrate baptism of granddaughter, Reese
- \*Patty Logsdon celebrates her birthday & good news with legal settlement
- \*Teri Krumm traveling with a vacation this week
- \*Happy birthday to Nancy Wylie (Eric's mother)

## **PRAYER CONCERNS:**

- \*Family & friends of Marge Davis following her memorial service \*Sympathy to family & friends of Karla Morris (service on 12/1 @ 1:30 PM)
- \*Sympathy to Clint Twedt-Ball & Courtney Ball after passing of their father, Lyle
- \*Sympathy to family & friends after passing of the Rev. Jon Moss (local UM pastor)
- \*Jack Murphy hospitalized with ongoing concerns
- \*Jerry Weiland with a surgical procedure on 11/27
- \*Sue Moss's college friend Katie & husband Steve; he is under palliative care
- \*Ron Malick shared news about generous donations to the Linn Community Food Bank
- \*National & international concerns

**NOTICE OF MEETING CHANGE:** The Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>, 6 PM, planning session for the Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> Advent Event (UWF partnering with Family Ministries) is no longer needed. However, there will still be a Children's Council meeting at that same date and time (11/27, 6 PM) in Fireside. Thanks!

## PASTOR'S ADVENT STUDY & WOMEN'S GROUP AD-

**VENT STUDY**: Both groups are using the book *An Unlikely Advent: Extraordinary People of The Christmas Story*, by Rachel Billups. Pastor Scott's study begins on November 29 and takes place on Wednesday mornings via Zoom at 9:30 and in-person in the library at 6 PM. Annie Walker's weekly study will also start on Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> @ noon in Fireside. The suggested donation for books for either (or both) studies is \$10 each. All are welcome!

**BRING IN YOUR CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA** for the altar any time during Advent to honor or remember a loved one. Be sure to write your name and the name of the person(s) to be commemorated on the poinsettia sign-up sheet in the narthex.

**FREE ADVENT DEVOTIONALS** are available in the narthex. Please pick one up!

**ANGEL TREE TAGS:** Three different organizations submitted tags for our Angel Tree this year: 20 from Tanager Place, 10 from Four Oaks, and 36 from Trinity Lane. <u>Gifts must be returned</u>, <u>unwrapped</u>, to church by <u>Dec. 3rd</u>. Please firmly attach the tag to your bag containing the gift(s).

<u>Tanager Place</u>: All tags have been taken off the Angel Tree.

<u>Four Oaks</u>: All tags have been taken off the Angel Tree.

<u>Trinity Lane</u>: There are still some tags on the Angel Tree.

Gifts are to be purchased based on wishes on each Angel tag.

**SPECIAL CHARGE CONFERENCE**: A Special Charge Conference will take place, via Zoom, on December 5 at 3 PM. The purpose is to approve a revised Pastoral Package Support form (Form I) for Pastor Kristina for 2024. The Council also needs to revise Kristina's Form I for 2023.



## 2023 ADVENT OFFERING RECIPIENTS

Hillcrest Family Services of Dubuque is a place people come for help, guidance, and compassion. Folks leaving Hillcrest feel better physically thru their Health Services, and troubled youth build confidence through the foster group care programs. At Hillcrest the homeless gain hope, and those wanting a family gain a promise. Hillcrest builds character in adults who have lost their dignity, and adds stability to the lives of families in need of mentoring. (12/3)

Nourished is a growing new community, and a missional campus of Lovely Lane, that strives to be a place to grow relationships that feed the soul. This is done thru two experiments: a spiritual community and a gluten-free bakery. Studies show that nearly 30% of the population is gluten free by choice or medical diagnosis, but for many in this population there are few, if any, options in restaurants and coffee shops. On the flip side, there are many who identify as spiritual but not religious, have religious trauma, or are un-attracted to the inherited church. We seek to provide refuge for both these groups. Your Advent gift will bring us one step closer to opening up our own space. (12/10)

Women At The Well is a United Methodist congregation located within the walls of the Iowa Correctional Institution for Women, in Mitchellville, Iowa. It offers ministries designed to encourage the spiritual growth of its members, assist them when they transition back into the world outside the walls, and better understand the hurts and hopes of those who reside within the Iowa Correctional Institute for Women. Lovely Lane is a committed partner supporting this ministry. (12/17)

**Restoring Vision** provides reading to people in underdeveloped and impoverished countries. Vision is one of our most important senses. It impacts one's ability to interact with the environment and other people. By providing a simple pair of reading glasses, we can immediately and positively impact a person's life, and the wellbeing of one's family and community. (12/24)

ADVENT CANDLELIGHTERS / READERS are needed on the following Sundays: 12/3 (10:30 needed), 12/10 (10:30), 12/17 (8:30 & 10:30), & 12/24 (1 service that morning @ 9:30). If you and your family, or you and several others from a small group, etc., would like to sign up for a specific Sunday morning, please reach out to Pastor Scott or Sue Moss in the church office.

**CWM NEEDS** part-time daycare staff for 6:30-9am, a Daycare Supervisor, and a 2-yr.-old preschool associate. An office assistant is also needed, 6:30am-12:45pm. Applicants must be 16+ and pass a background check.

To apply or if you have questions, contact Children's Weekday Ministries director: Dawn DuPont (ddupont@lovelylane.org).

**KENNEDY PANTRY:** Please place donations of food and personal care items in tubs outside the church office OR drop off to the basket inside Kennedy's front entrance (M-F, 7:15 am-3:30 pm).

Current suggested donations: Ramen noodles, cooking oil, aluminum foil, plastic wrap, bottled water, deodorant, & toothpaste. Look on LL's website for a sign-up link to help at the Pantry.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP: We need YOU to sign up to help in worship! Please use one of the following links to sign up as a worship volunteer:

8:30 Worship: https://signup.com/go/vHHMzKm 10:30 Worship: https://signup.com/go/BmLsDmp

You can also sign up through LL's website (www.lovelylane.org) to be a greeter, usher, lector, and/or communion server on one or more Sundays. The sign-up link is listed in the website under Worship Servant Signup. Sue or Marti in the church office (319-393-6674) can sign you up online if you are unable to do so.

**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**

SUNDAY — Nov. 26th Reign of Christ Sunday		
8:30 AM	In-person worship – Sanctuary	
9:00 AM	Chancel Choir rehearsal – Choir Room	
9:30 AM	Adult Sunday School – Library & Rm. 204	
10:30 AM	In-person & live-stream worship – Sanctuary	
12:00-2 PM	Congolese congregation – Sanctuary	
	NO Youth Co-op	

10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Group – Fireside
6:00 PM	Children's Council mtg Fireside
6:30 PM	Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY — Nov. 28th

## WEDNESDAY — Nov. 29th

9:30 AM	Pastor's Zoom study
12:00 Noon	Women's Group Advent Study – Fireside
5:30 PM	Family Meal – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
6:00 PM	Kid's Club – Fellowship Hall et al.
6:00 PM	Confirmation – Youth Room
6:00 PM	Youth Group (@ St. Paul UMC)
6:00 PM	Pastor's Study Group – Library
7:15 PM	Bell Choir – Sanctuary

## THURSDAY — Nov. 30th

12:00 noon	Friendly Fellowship – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
6:00 PM	Leadership Team - Library
6:30 PM	UWF Rizpah Circle – Fellowship Hall

FRIDAY — Dec. 1st

SUNDAY — Dec. 3rd 1st Sunday of Advent

3:00 PM

8:30 AM In-person worship - Sanctuary 9:00 AM Chancel Choir rehearsal - Choir Room 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School - Library & Rm. 204 10:30 AM In-person & live-stream worship - Sanctuary 12:00-2 PM Congolese congregation - Sanctuary

Youth Co-op: Meeting @ Marcus Theatre to see Elf; must register beforehand with Ryan R-K

## Serving in Worship - Nov. 26th

## Greeters

8:30 - Linda & Dave Keefe

10:30 - Patty Logsdon

Lectors

8:30 - Travis Meiborg 10:30 - Nancy Snyder

8:30 - Myrna & Jim Loehrlein 10:30 - Nancy & John Hinkel

#### Preacher

Both services......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 Ramsev 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** Tara Neveu (lead)

Brenda Holub, Paige Gerjets

& Claire Van Erde-Wyk

Children's Weekday Ministries Director Dawn DuPont

## Office & Facilities

Sue Moss Sr. Office Manager 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

In-person attendance on 11/19: 69 @ 8:30; 103 @ 10:30;

Total = 172. YouTube views (10:30 service) = 88.