

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 17, 2024

JOYS:

- *Spring Break travel
- *St. Patrick's Day celebrations
- *Happy birthday to Molly Schultz
- *March birthdays & anniversaries to celebrate
- *Celebrating the ministry of the Health & Wholeness Committee
- *Wedding congratulations for Ryan Hupp & Melissa Albers
- *Sharilyn Forcht with family celebrations, including new great grandchild
- *Harry (Hank) Widmer with joy of a 1st great grandson, Brody, son of granddaughter, Ashley, & her husband, Drew Donovan

PRAYER CONCERNS:

- *Sympathy to Marti Bowman after the passing of her son, Adam
- *Diana Rettig's niece, Allison, after passing of her husband
- *Sympathy to Travis Meiborg after passing of friend, Char
- *Sue Moss's friend, Katie, after the passing of husband, Steve
- *Perkins Seminary community after passing of Rebekah Miles's husband, Len
- *Jeff Blank with medical procedure on 3/19
- *Jack Murphy with health challenges
- *ReGina Culbertson with hospitalization
- *Carol Wilson with ongoing health concerns
- *Pam Nixon's cousin, Allison, with chemotherapy
- *Curtis Thomas's cousin, Charlie, with health concerns
- *Phil Martin lifts up Ruth Hess receiving hospice care
- *Communities in the Midwest impacted by tornadoes
- *Haiti, Ukraine, Israel, & Gaza, with ongoing challenges

COME TO AN EASTER BRUNCH on 3/31 in the Fellowship Hall between 9:30 and 10:30 AM. You can enjoy a variety of pastries along with yogurt, fruit, and beverages. Hospitality is hosting this event.

CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED FOR THE EASTER EGG HUNT ON 3/30: Candy should be individually wrapped, and please nothing with peanuts or peanut oil, etc. Place your donations by 3/24 (Palm Sunday) in the marked container in the Narthex. We currently have enough plastic Easter eggs.

LENTEN SPECIAL OFFERING RECIPIENTS

Save the Children--Children's Emergency Fund provides essential services and support to Palestinian children. These children are under increasing emotional and psychological pressure as they bear the brunt of the world's worsening crisis. For years, Save the Children has responded to the unique needs of children impacted by conflict and displacement. Your donations will help support this life-saving work. (2/18)

Matthew 25 is a local non-profit that exists to strengthen core neighborhoods on CR's west side. M25 provides programs, opportunities, and education needed to improve the health of people and their neighborhoods. Lovely Lane will again partner with M25 during the 9th year of Transform Week in June. (2/25)

Big Brothers-Big Sisters is one of the oldest and largest youth mentoring organizations in the US. Big Brothers-Big Sisters mentors children, ages 5 thru young adulthood, in communities across the country. Their mission is to create and support one-to-one mentoring relationships that ignite the power and promise of youth. (3/3)

Mental Health Access Center provides urgent, high quality crisis behavioral treatment for people 18+ years old experiencing a mental health or substance use disorder crisis requiring immediate attention. Providing short-term assistance for individuals in crisis, it then connects them to ongoing recovery services. The goal is to reduce the no. of unnecessary hospitalizations and arrests, and create a healthier community. (3/10)

CWM NEEDS A BEFORE SCHOOL DAYCARE SUPERVISOR for the remainder of this school year. The hours are 6:30 AM to 9 AM Monday-Friday. The individual hired will have the option to work or not in the summer, when hours would be 6:30 AM-12 PM Monday-Friday. Please contact Dawn DuPont, Director of Children's Weekday Ministries (319-393-8189 or ddupont@lovelylane.org).

GREEN SQUARE MEALS

We need Green Square Meals volunteers! The date this month is March 21st, 3:55 pm—arrival time. (We serve meals on the 3rd Thursday of every month.) Six volunteers are needed when it is Lovely Lane's night to serve.

Please contact Carmen Johnson with any questions you have (cfjohnson0802@gmail.com; 319-651-1192). Thanks!

PASTOR'S STUDY GROUP: A Lenten study with Pastor Scott started on Weds., Feb. 21st. Groups meet on Zoom at 9:30 am and in-person at 6 pm. The focus is the book, *Seven Words: Listening to Christ From the Cross*, by Susan Robb. Everyone is welcome! There are still books available for \$10 each in the church office.

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

Current needs: fresh potatoes, apples, rice, spaghetti noodles, spaghetti / goulash (both canned), ketchup, snack size items (chips, microwave popcorn, granola bars, breakfast bars), hot chocolate packages, baking mixes, and menstrual pads.

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! Use a link below to sign up:

8:30 Worship: <https://signup.com/go/vHHMzKm>

10:30 Worship: <https://signup.com/go/BmLsDmp>

You can also sign up thru 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 — March 17th *5th Sunday in Lent*

- 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
- 3:00-7 PM Friendship Force Dinner – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
- 4:00 PM “Living Last Supper” practice – Sanctuary
- 4:00-6 PM Youth Co-op (meet @ St. Ludmila’s)

MONDAY — March 18th

- 6:30 PM Scouts BSA Troop 766 – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY — March 19th

WEDNESDAY — March 20th

- 9:30 AM *Pastor’s Zoom study*
- 12:00 Noon Weds. Women’s Group Study – Fireside
- 5:30 PM Family meal – Kitchen & Fellowship Hall
- 6:00 PM Kid’s Club – Fellowship Hall et al.
- 6:00 PM Youth Group (@ St. Paul’s UMC)
- 6:15 PM Confirmation (@ Prairiewoods)
- 6:00 PM Pastor Scott’s Study Group – Library
- 7:15 PM Bell Choir – Sanctuary

THURSDAY — March 21st

- 6:00 PM Trustees – Library
- 6:00 PM Finance – Fireside
- 6:00 PM Health & Wholeness – Youth Rm. (**note change**)
- 6:30 PM UWF / Rizpah – Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 PM Ad Council – Library
- 7:00 PM Linn Co. UN Assoc. mtg. – Choir Room

FRIDAY — March 22nd

- 6:30 PM “Living Last Supper” presentation (@ Cottage Grove Place)
- 7-8:30 PM *Nourished Art for Peace* (@ Pastor Kristina’s)

SATURDAY — March 23rd

- 12:00-4 PM Baby Shower (Carlotta H.) – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen

SUNDAY — March 24th *Palm/Passion 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
- 3:00-5 PM Youth Co-op (@ St. Paul’s UMC)
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Assisting in Worship – March 17th

Greeters

- 8:30 – Travis Meiborg & Kathy Meiborg
- 10:30 – Marla Gonzalez & family

Lectors

- 8:30 – Travis Meiborg
- 10:30 – Jayne Woodson

Ushers

- 8:30 – Phil & Shirley Martin
- 10:30 – John & Nancy 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 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	Tara Neveu (lead) Brenda Holub, Paige Gerjets & Claire Van Erde-Wyk
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