

ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 15, 2024

JOYS

- *Successful church garage sale. Thanks to all who helped (\$1600 was raised).
- *Thanks for contributions to the Linn Community Food Bank (358 pounds of food was donated)
- *Fall season starting at church
- *Choir and bell choir starting up again
- *Sparrow family coming together after a family loss
- *Pastor Kristina and family visiting the Omaha Zoo
- *Virginia Weiland in church. Jerry and Virginia express thanks for prayers and cards.
- *Tammy Eastvold starting a new job this week

CONCERNS

- *Carol Wishnowski recovering from a medical procedure
- *Sympathy to Sarah Westergren and family after the passing of her father
- *Sympathy to Don and Marti Sparrow after passing of Don's brother
- *Sharon Kouba's nephew, Ken, with radiation treatment
- *Bob Hoover recovering after a bike accident
- *Les and Sherry Minor with Covid concerns
- *Eric Wylie's friend, Adam, with heart surgery
- *Stephanie French's mother-in-law with an illness
- *Katherine Plendl's sister, Jennifer, with knee surgery
- *Shirley Mickelson's son-in-law, Bill, with back surgery
- *Sue Moss's friend, Tom, after passing of Tom's father
- *Kim Moore's friend, Renee', with cancer treatment
- *National and international concerns

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES – Start today, **September 15 at 9:30.** We have two adult classes at Lovely Lane. The "Faith Issues" class meets in the library and focuses on contemporary issues and the ways people of faith respond to those issues. Jim and Myrna Loehrlein lead this group. The other class is "Faith Journeys." This class meets in the first preschool room on the left in the education part of the building. This class takes a further look at the scripture reading that is preached on in worship that day. Pastor Scott leads this group. All are welcome to join both groups!

SOAPY SEPTEMBER – Health & Wholeness is sponsoring a Hygiene Product Drive in the month of September. Products needed include: dish soap, bath soap, shampoo, deodorant and body wipes. Collected items will go to the Ecumenical Community Center Foundation. Donation tubs are located at left entrance to the sanctuary.

PASTOR SCOTT'S STUDY GROUPS - The Wednesday study groups will start on **September 18.** The morning group will meet via Zoom at **9:30 am.** The evening group will gather at **6:00 pm** in the library. The focus is the book, "*Revival*," by Adam Hamilton. Groups will look at the life and teachings of John Wesley and early Methodism. All are welcome!

BANNED BOOK EVENT AT LOVELY LANE - Open to all on Thursday, September 26 from 6:30-8:30 pm. Please read 1-3 banned books, if possible. A list of banned books is posted in the church narthex. We will first share in small groups and then have a large group discussion. The most common reasons that books are banned are racism, history of slavery and LGBTQ. Please contact Deb Streff with questions at: (319) 721-8864.

HOSPITALITY WILL HOST A 5TH SUNDAY ALL CHURCH POTLUCK on September 29, after the 10:30 worship service in the fellowship hall. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service for your family. This will be a great time to have fellowship and a great meal! Drinks will be provided. Please call Judy McDowell, if you have any questions, (319) 560-2960.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – meets from 12:00 - 1:00 pm in the Fireside Room. The book we will start out with this Fall is *Wrestling with Doubt, Finding Faith* by Adam Hamilton. Please contact Annie Walker with questions at: anniew@lovelylane.org.

MEN'S BREAKFAST GATHERING – The first fall gathering will be **Saturday, September 28, 8:30 am.** More information to come.

AcabeLLa, Lovely Lane's hand bell choir has resumed rehearsals on Wednesdays, starting at 7:15 pm. Rehearsal generally lasts one hour and 15 minutes. If you are interested in learning more about hand bells this would be an excellent opportunity to learn. You are most welcome to come and listen or participate to the level you feel comfortable. There are open positions in the choir, if you are interested, we could use your help. Choir members, I am looking forward to seeing you all again. This promises to be a delightful season with bell ringing.

CHANCEL CHOIR rehearsals have begun meeting at 9:00 am in the Choir Room. We sing for the first time this fall at the 10:30 service on September 22. Hope to see you there and new members are always welcome. Join the music producing family on the 8th and enjoy the fun, love, caring, and friendly group of Lovely Lane.

Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday
9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Friday - Closed

This Week at Lovely Lane

Ministry Opportunities

Sunday – September 15 – Rally Sunday

8:30 AM	In-person worship
9:00 AM	Choir rehearsal
9:30 AM	Adult Sunday School
10:30 AM	In-person & livestream worship
10:45 AM	Children Sunday School
12:00 PM	Congolese congregation

Monday – September 16

6:30 PM	Scouts Troop 766 (Fellowship Hall)
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Tuesday – September 17

Wednesday – September 18

9:30 AM	Pastor Scott's Study Group - Zoom
12:00 PM	Women's Scripture Study (Fireside Room)
5:15 PM	Family Meal (Fellowship Hall)
6:00 PM	Kid's Club
6:00 PM	Pastor Scott's Study Group - Library
7:15 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday – September 19

3:55 PM	Green Square Meals
6:00 PM	Finance Council Meeting (Fireside Room)
6:00 PM	Health & Wholeness (Fellowship Hall)
7:00 PM	Admin Council (Library)
7:00 PM	Linn Co UNA (Choir Room)

Friday – September 20

Saturday – September 21

6:00 PM	Nourished Autumn Equinox @ Kristina's
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Sunday – September 22- Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 AM	In-person worship
9:00 AM	Choir rehearsal
9:30 AM	Adult Sunday School
10:30 AM	In-person & livestream worship
10:45 AM	Children Sunday School
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WORSHIP SERVANTS

Matthew 20:28 *“just as the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life a ransom for many.” Jesus is calling the disciples and all who are in Christ to follow the same path to greatness: humble, sacrificial service to each other.*

For serving as an usher, greeter or lector at Lovely Lane, we thank you for your service to God, to our church and to each other. As we look ahead to resuming our Fall schedule, please consider signing up to serve in the coming months. (continued . . .)

Assisting in Worship – September 15

Greeters

8:30 am	– Dave & Linda Keefe
10:30 am	– Dennis & Linda Fitz

Lector

8:30 am	– Travis Meiborg
10:30 am	– Stephanie French

Ushers

8:30 am	– Gordon & Shirley Martin
10:30 am	– Kent & Joy Jackson

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)
	Paige Gerjets
	Kyla Mulnik
	Dawn DuPont

Office & Facilities

Office Administrator & Finance Sec.	Tammy Martin
Office Assistant	Marti Bowman
Treasurer	Susan Kohl
Membership Secretary	Susan Camp
Website & Social Media	Shelly Turner
Facilities Manager	Curtis Thomas
Custodians	Rex & Rhonda Heasty
Wedding Coordinator	Becky Wood

If you do not use a computer, please call the office at (319) 393-6674 to be added to the schedule. If you would like to sign up online, please use the following link, <https://signup.com/go/JbYeHcd> to sign up for services at 8:30 and 10:30 starting September 15. You can also sign up thru Lovely Lane's website: www.lovelylane.org to be a greeter, usher, lector, and/or communion server on one or more Sundays. Under the "Worship" tab choose "Worship Servants," then click on the blue box with the service time indicated. Feel free to contact the church office should you need assistance to sign up online.