ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 24, 2024

JOYS

- *Thanksgiving celebrations with friends and family
- *Happy anniversary to Jerry and Virginia Weiland
 *Happy anniversary to Larry and Janice Kaberle from Independence
- *Alfred Zigbuo and family doing well in Minneapolis
- *Rita Stewart's son, Quinton, completing firefighter class
- *Birthday blessings to Patty Logsdon

CONCERNS

- *Dale Snyder following a medical procedure
- *Pat Swartzendruber with final chemotherapy treatment this week
- *Kathy Stepleton with surgery this week
- *Deb Streff following knee surgery
- *Lynn Heidt hospitalized at St. Luke's Unity Point
- *Stephanie French's sister, Terry, with medical concerns
- *Pam Nixon's cousin's husband following a car accident
- *Pastor Scott and family after the passing of his Aunt Kara in Texas

CHRISTMAS STORE – Children's Weekday Ministries – Week of December 2 through December 6 – Do you enjoy wrapping presents or need a little boost to get into the Christmas spirit? Lovely Lane Preschool will set up their annual Christmas Store for the preschoolers to shop for their families. They are looking for a few volunteers that can help facilitate the activity. It's a great way to introduce children to the spirit of giving to others. Volunteers will help set up and decorate the pretend store or serve as a personal shopper that can help children pick out and wrap gifts. Contact Dawn DuPont (319) 393-8189 if you would like to be a part of this event.

FALL BAKE SALE – **Today, Sunday, November 24.** Pick up fresh baked goodies for your Thanksgiving gathering. Sponsored by Lovely Lane United Women in Faith.

ADVENT GIVING TREE – All tags have been selected from the tree. Gifts must be returned to the tree unwrapped with the assigned Angel Tag attached by **Sunday, December 1**. (This is a change to the original return date.) Thank you to all the generous gift givers. Please contact the church office with any questions.

LITTLE LEARNERS – CHRISTMAS EDITION – Wednesday, December 11 6:00 pm to 6:45 pm for ages 0-5 and their parents. Listen to the Christmas story, sing carols, make crafts and do nativity play. Contact Kristina Roth-Klinck with questions at: kristina@lovelylane.org.

SAVE THE DATES

Lovely Lane Children's Christmas Program Sunday, December 15 at 10:30



Lovely Lane Chancel Choir's Christmas Cantata Sunday, December 22 at 10:30

> Christmas Eve Worship Services Tuesday, December 24 at 3:30, 5:30, and 7:30

2024 ADVENT OFFERING RECIPIENTS – Advent giving cards and information will be mailed to your home address and cards will also be available in the narthex.

December 1 - Cuba Mission Trip - A small group is traveling to Havana, Cuba from January 28 – February 6, 2025. The group is accompanying a group from Plymouth Congregational Church in Des Moines. The aim is to learn about the partner relationship the Plymouth Church has with their sister congregation, Ebenezer Baptist Church in Havana. A further aim is to understand how and whether to seek a relationship with our own sister church. Members are planning to pay their own travel expenses. Funds collected will benefit the Ebenezer Church and other places the team visits.

December 8 - **HACAP Food Reservoir** - HACAP Food Reservoir leads the fight against hunger in east central Iowa by providing food access, advocacy, education, and disaster response. The Food Reservoir distributes over 10 million meals annually through partner organizations in seven counties. Food Reservoir programs include BackPack Program, Mobile Food Pantry, and Diversity Food Program. There continues to be an enormous burden on the local available Food Reservoir supplies.

December 15 - Migrant Movement for Justice - In the face of unprecedented need, Iowa MMJ is building on the legacy of two trusted organizations: the American Friends Service Committee Iowa and Iowa Justice for Our Neighbors. Iowa MMJ stands firmly on the belief that migration is a fundamental human right and that everyone deserves to live in safety and with dignity. Iowa MMJ is committed to providing high-quality, accessible immigration legal services throughout the state, empowering communities and supporting those in need.

December 22 - for 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 to 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.

This Week at Lovely Lane

Ministry Opportunities

Sunday – November 24 – Stewardship Sunday		
8:30 AM	Fall Bake Sale - United Women in Faith	
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	
4:00 PM	New Member Class	

Monday – November 25

10:00 AM	Prayer Shawl Ministry (Fireside Room)
10:00 AM-12:00	Thanksgiving Feast CWM (Fellowship Hall)
6:30 PM	Scouts Troop 766 (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday – November 26

10:00 AM-12:00	Thanksgiving Feast CWM (Fellowship Hall)
2:00 PM-3:00	Thanksgiving Feast CWM (Fellowship Hall)
8:00 PM	Band Practice (Youth Room)

Wednesday – November 27 – No Evening Activities

Thursday – November 28 – Thanksgiving Day Church office closed

Friday – November 29 – Day after Thanksgiving Church office closed

Saturday – November 30

Sunday – December 1 – 1 st Sunday of Advent		
8:30 AM	Fair Trade Sale in the Narthex	
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	

If you have not already checked in and printed a name tag, please let us know you are here today and use this QR code to register your attendance.

To use a QR code, you can scan it with your phone's camera and then follow the instructions that appear on your screen: -Open your phone's Camera app



-Point the camera at the QR code so it's in focus

-Wait for your phone to recognize the code

-Tap the notification or icon that appears on your screen

-Follow the instructions to open the link associated with the QR code and fill out the form

Assisting in Worship – November 24

Greeters

8:30 am – Scott & Terrie Seibert 10:30 am – Jane Schildroth & Ava Maher

> Lector 8:30 am – Myrna Loehrlein 10:30 am – Stephanie French

Ushers 8:30 am – Travis Meiborg 10:30 am – Margaret & Ron Nelson

Preacher

Both Services – Pastor Scott Meador

Lovely Lane UMC Staff

Administration & Worship

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

Children & Youth

Director of Family Ministries Director of Youth Ministries Nursery Caregiver Lead Nursery Caregiver Nursery Caregiver Nursery Caregiver Director of CWM (Children's Weekday Ministries) Annie Walker Ryan Roth-Klinck Tara Neveu Paige Gerjets Hailey Ryan Brooke Johnson Dawn DuPont

Office & Facilities

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

Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Friday – Closed

Church offices will be closed on Thursday, November 28 for Thanksgiving

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