ANNOUNCEMENTS January 12, 2025

JOYS

- *Remembering our baptisms on Baptism of the Lord Sunday
- *Chris Johnson worshipping with us today! Welcome Chris!
- *John O'Bryon with healing following a spot of skin cancer
- *Happy birthday to Pastor Kristina!
- *Pastor Kristina preaching at St. Mark's UMC to promote Nourished
- *Pastor Sherrie Ilg assisting with worship
- *Donations for the Ebenezer Church in Havana, Cuba
- *Men's Breakfast on Saturday with speaker, Greg Edwards, focusing on artificial intelligence

CONCERNS

- *Los Angeles wildfires with special offering to UMCOR
- *Family of Philip Hamilton losing their house to California fires, with Nourished love offering
- *Jim and Myrna Loehrlein's son, John, living in California, facing potential fire challenges
- *Chris Johnson's grandparents living in San Diego, facing potential fire challenges
- *Sympathy to Lu Serbousek after the passing of her sister
- *Barb Vancura's brother-in-law, Dan, with health challenges
- *Katherine Plendl's sister's cat facing cancer challenges
- *Marilyn Beebe with back surgery, and sympathy following the passing of her brother, Jack
- *Sympathy to Ron and Margaret Nelson following the passing of Margaret's aunt, Virginia
- *Kim Moore's friend, Renee, with procedure for bladder cancer
- *David Garber-Garcia's wife is ill with the flu
- *Lynn Heidt at St. Luke's Transitional Care Center
- *Nancy Wittenburg's friend, Sandy, with health challenges
- *Barb Waterhouse-Miller with a family loss
- *National and international concerns

HAPPY ENDINGS BOOK CLUB will meet on January 13 in the Fireside Room at 10:00 am. The book for January is *A Table for Two by Amor Towles*. A collection of 6 stories and one novella. The stories explore themes of love, loss, identity, and fate in New York and Los Angeles. Please contact Judy McDowell with questions at: (319) 560-2960.

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY – will resume on **Wednesday**, **January 15** at noon in the Fireside Room.

MEN'S BREAKFAST - The next breakfast gathering will be on Saturday, January 18, at 8:30 am. The speaker will be Greg Edwards, CEO of WatchPoint. He will speak about security and AI. All are welcome! Contact Scott Meador with questions at: scottm@lovelylane.org

GREEN SQUARE MEALS – Six volunteers are needed each month to help with Green Square Meals. The next date is **Thursday, January 16, 2025**, with a **3:55 pm** expected arrival time. Contact Dan Moore by phone at: (715) 432-1983 or by email at: banjobubbadad@yahoo.com if you are available to serve.

FRIENDLY FELLOWSHIP will meet on **Thursday**, **January 23**, **2025**, at noon for a potluck lunch. The program will be Erin Foster from the Linn County Mental Health Access Center. She will tell us about the center and some changes that are coming up in 2025. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service. Hope to see you there and as always please invite a friend. Please contact Judy McDowell with questions at: (319) 560-2960.

KENNEDY FOOD PANTRY – Collection tubs are located at the left entrance to the sanctuary at Lovely Lane. Following is the Wish List for the food pantry: Ramen noodles, fruit roll-ups and fruit snacks, toothpaste, aluminum baking dishes, muffin & cake pans, cake mixes, popcorn, chips, Cheez-its snack crackers, tuna, canned pasta. Thank you for your donations!

CUBA PARTNERSHIP TRIP - A small group of Lovely Laners will travel to Havana, Cuba, with a small group from the Plymouth Congregational Church in Des Moines. The trip will take place from January 28 – February 6. The aim is to learn about Cuban history and culture and develop a relationship with a potential sister church in the city. The group will collect donations of personal items to share with the folks in Cuba ahead of time. A list of donations needed are included on the bulletin insert. These items can be brought in on Sunday, January 19.

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 2025, please consider signing up to serve in the coming months.

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. 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. Please contact the church office should you need assistance with signing up online. Again, thank you to our Worship Servants!

This Week at Lovely Lane

Ministry Opportunities

Sunday - January 12

| 8:30 AM | Worship – In person |
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| 9:00 AM | Choir Rehearsal |
| 9:30 AM | Adult Sunday School |
| 10:30 AM | In-person & livestream worship |
| 10:45 AM | Children's Sunday School |
| 12:00 PM | Congolese congregation |

Monday - January 13

| 10:00 AM | Happy Endings Book Club (Fireside) |
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| 6:30 PM | Scouts Troop 766 (Fellowship Hall) |

Tuesday - January 14

Wednesday - January 15

| 9:30 AM | Zoom Scripture Study |
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| 5:15 PM | Family Meal |
| 6:00 PM | Kid's Club |
| 6:00 PM | Scripture Study |
| 7:15 PM | Bell Choir Rehearsal |

Thursday - January 16

3:55 PM Green Square Meals

Friday - January 17

Saturday - January 18

8:30 AM Men's Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)

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In-person worship

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, fill out the form and submit.

ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS - If you will be away for the winter, please let the church office know your winter address and the dates you will be away. This is important so you continue to receive important information and news from Lovely Lane. Church phone: (319) 393-6674 and email:

office@lovelylane.org Thank you and have a great winter!

Assisting in Worship – January 12

Greeter

8:30 am – Dave & Nancy Wittenburg 10:30 am – Dave & Nancy Wittenburg

Lector

8:30 am - Kathy Millian 10:30 am - Rev. John O'Bryon

Ushers

8:30 am – Scott & Terrie Seibert 10:30 am – Terri Krumm & Lyn Lewis

Acolyte

10:30 am - Natalie Krumm

Preacher

Pastor 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 **Dennis Ramsey** Organist Chancel Choir Director Nancy Patrick Handbell Choir Director Charlie Kucera Director of Children's Choirs Carla Jesse Chancel Choir Accompanist Linda Bayliss

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Nursery Caregiver Lead
Nursery Caregiver
Nursery Caregiver
Nursery Caregiver
Nursery Caregiver
Nursery Caregiver
Director of CWM

Annie Walker
Ryan Roth-Klinck
Tara Neveu
Paige Gerjets
Hailey Ryan
Brooke Johnson
Dawn DuPont

(Children's Weekday Ministries)

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Membership Secretary Susan Camp
Website & Social Media Shelly Turner
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Custodians Rex & Rhonda Heasty

Becky Wood

Wedding Coordinator

Church Office Hours

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

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