# ANNOUNCEMENTS June 15, 2025 updated

#### **JOYS**

- \*Matthew 25 Transformation Week coming up
- \*Bill & Gloria Jahnel's daughter, Tina, visiting from Crystal Lake, Illinois
- \*Salome Tsikvazze visiting from the Republic of Georgia, through the "Open World" organization, staying with Ron & Margaret Nelson
- \*Pastors and delegates at Iowa UMC Annual Conference in Des Moines

#### **CONCERNS**

- \*Lynn Heidt is receiving medical care in Des Moines
- \*Maryann Stewart with health challenges
- \*Karon Niebuhr's brother, Brian, has passed, prayers for their family
- \*Summer travelers
- \*Families & friends of Minnesota legislators killed or wounded
- \*Hispanic families living in America
- \*International concerns

Church Listening Campaign - A small group in the church will spend time listening to some of you share your personal stories in the coming weeks. This campaign is an intentional effort to get better acquainted and possibly discern common areas for ministry. If you would like to share your story with a member of our team in a one-on-one format, please reach out to Pastor Scott (<a href="mailto:scottm@lovelylane.org">scott (scottm@lovelylane.org</a>). Other churches and organizations in the area are participating in this sacred listening campaign. Thank you!

**Annual Conference** - Annual Conference is the yearly gathering of United Methodist leaders in Iowa. The event will take place in West Des Moines from **June 13-15**. Joining our pastors Scott Meador and Kristina Roth-Klinck, Linda Keefe & Tammy Martin will serve as lay delegates.

New Associate Pastor - The Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee made the announcement last Sunday that the Rev. Dr. Alecia Hilmer has been appointed to serve as the new associate pastor, starting January 1. Dr. Hilmer comes to us from the First UMC of North Liberty. Her appointment will be part time. Let us prepare to warmly welcome her!

Children's Weekday Ministries are looking for a summer daycare cook to start immediately. The hours will be 6:30 am to 1:00 pm, 2 days a week, no Fridays. Must pass a background check. Contact Dawn DuPont at ddupont@lovelylane.org.



**Save the date - Fifth Sunday Potluck –** We will have a potluck on **June 29**, following worship service, sponsored by the Hospitality Committee. Please plan to share your favorite dish with others.

Joint Worship Service with Area UMC's\_- at St. Paul's, Sunday, July 6, 9:30 am. We will *not* worship at Lovely Lane that day. More information to come.

Baby Shower for Annie Walker – The SPPRC Committee (Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee) is hosting a baby shower for Annie Walker, Director of Family Ministries on Saturday, July 19, from 10:00 am to noon, in the fellowship hall at Lovely Lane. Annie is registered at Target as Annie Walker & Ben Boyd due 9/9/2025. All are invited.

Worship Servant and Special Music Signup - This summer we will use a signup sheet in the narthex for worship servant opportunities. This is also how we will sign up for summer special music. Please share your gifts and talents with us this summer and sign up or call in to the office for available dates. Thank you for serving as ushers, greeters, lectors, communion servers and for sharing your musical talents with your fellow Lovely Laners!

10th Annual Transform Week - This year, Matthew 25 will host its 10th Annual Transform Week, June 23–27. Thanks to an amazing number of volunteers, the total of which grows every year, we continue the commitment to quality affordable housing and strong neighborhood building. Our hope is to make this a very impactful week, helping many homeowners who are truly in need. Lovely Lane will again have a team taking on one or more of the projects during the week For questions, please contact Les Minor, <a href="minor@imonmail.com">Iminor@imonmail.com</a> or (319) 310-1945.

# Did you know you could be a Chief Coffee Orderer? -

We are looking for team members for our Fair-Trade project. United Women in Faith are selling Fair-Trade and eco-friendly items to promote being good stewards to the earth. Proceeds from sales help support United Methodist Iowa projects as well as Lovely Lane's local missions. We need people to help select and order items (like Fair Trade Coffee for example) and people to work shifts at the sales opportunities we have throughout our community. If this sounds like a project you would like to be involved with, please contact Deb Streff (319) 721–8864 or Cindy Sale (319) 329-6118, for more information.

# This Week at Lovely Lane

### **Ministry Opportunities**

Sunday - June 15-Annual Conference Sunday/Father's Day

9:30 AM In-person & livestream worship

12:00 PM Congolese congregation

Monday - June 16

9:45 AM Prayer Shawl (Fireside Room) 6:30 PM Boy Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday - June 17

6:30 PM SPPRC (Library)

Wednesday - June 18

Thursday - June 19

Friday - June 20

Saturday - June 21

Sunday – June 22 – Second Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 AM In-person & livestream worship

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, 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.

# **Climate Justice**

# Plastic is out – Sustainability is in *(continued)* (From *Your Green Life* – GreenAmerica.org)

Decrease purchasing items in plastic. Examples include:

- -Bar soap instead of liquid hand or body soap An estimated 1.4 billion plastic bottles from body wash are thrown out each year.
- -Discontinue use of the plastic bottle. This includes bottled water. Roughly 50 billion water bottles end up in the US landfills each year. Bring your own reusable water bottles and use the fountain to refill.
- -Use alternative laundry detergent that doesn't come in huge plastic bottles.
- -Shampoo and conditioner bars instead of bottles of shampoo and conditioner

Everything we can do makes a difference!

-United Women in Faith

# Assisting in Worship – June 15, 2025

#### Greeters

JR Streff & Chris Johnson

#### Lector

Jayne Woodson

#### Ushers

Tim Muller, Landen Bentley, Belinda Muller Dave & Debbie Beckner

#### Acolyte

Hayden Mulnik

# Lovely Lane UMC Staff

# **Administration & Worship**

Lead Pastor Dr. Scott Meador

Associate Pastor Rev. Kristina Roth-Klinck

Director of Media & Technology
Organist
Chancel Choir Director

Eric Wylie
Dennis Ramsey
Nancy Patrick

Chancel Choir Director
Handbell Choir Director
Director of Children's Choirs
Chancel Choir Accompanist

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
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)

#### 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

#### **Church Office Hours**

Monday – Thursday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Friday - Closed

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