# ANNOUNCEMENTS July 27, 2025 updated

#### **JOYS**

- \*Vacation Bible School presentation (thanks everyone!)
- \*Celebrating the ministry of Carla Jesse as she steps down from staff
- \*Olivia Schneider and crew with VBS decorations
- \*Kadlec scholarship recipients Connor Culbertson and Brooke Johnson
- \*Appreciation for church shower contributions
- \*New office assistant, Sarah Alterbal
- \*Successful week of RAGBRAI for so many riders
- \*Emmett Mills riding on RAGBRAI
- \*New Spiritual Cultivator at Nourished
- \*"Love Makes a Family Event" at St. Paul's UMC, July 30
- \*Happy birthday to Tracy Ashmore
- \*Happy birthday to Millie Corbett
- \*JR Streff participating at Colorado dance camp
- \*Landen Bentley celebrating a pet caterpillar

#### **CONCERNS**

- \*Church friends, Misha and Andrii, living in Ukraine
- \*Regina Culbertson hospitalized
- \*Jim Moss with a stomach bug
- \*Teri Krumm's friend following the passing of a family pet
- \*Don Whitford hospitalized
- \*Jan Peterson staying at the Hiawatha Care Center
- \*Jayne Woodson recovering from a fall

Special Offering – UMCOR - Guadalupe River Flood - You can give to support disaster response efforts across the Rio Texas Conference. Every gift goes directly toward helping families recover and rebuild after the devastating flooding that has impacted communities across the Hill Country and beyond. To give by check or cash, please make your check payable to Lovely Lane and note UMCOR Guadalupe River Flood on your check or envelope. To give online, click on the following link, Give Online and choose the fund, "UMCOR Guadalupe River Flood." Please continue to keep this region, the families, and the many first responders and workers in your prayers.

**Nourished Centering – Change in location –** Nourished Centering is now taking place at St. Paul's United Methodist Church at 1340 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SE, Cedar Rapids. They will be meeting in the Art room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays at 7:00 pm. Nourished is no longer meeting at the home of Pastor Kristina.

**Lovely Lane Golf Outing - Sunday, August 24 -** We will golf at the Lake MacBride Golf Course in Solon. The cost is \$35 per person. This includes nine holes and a cart. Tee times start at 2:00 pm. Contact Denny Fitz if you would like to participate, <a href="mailto:dmf.rboyz@gmail.com">dmf.rboyz@gmail.com</a>. All are welcome!

**Volunteer Summer Jobs at Lovely Lane** – Curtis Thomas, Facilities Manager at Lovely Lane, has put together a list of jobs that need to be done over the summer:

- -Paint coat areas, mailbox and restroom hallway
- -Paint the trim and walls in the stairwell
- -Paint the south wall foundation
- -Paint hallway in basement by the youth room
- -Recommendations for sidewalk going to basement by the tree If you are interested in helping with any of these please contact Curtis at (319) 777-9574 or curtis@lovelylane.org.

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!

**2**<sup>nd</sup> **Quarter Giving Statements** have been sent via email and mail. Please review your statement and contact Tammy Martin, Financial Secretary, in the church office if you have any questions. (319) 393-6674 or <a href="mailto:tammym@lovelylane.org">tammym@lovelylane.org</a> Thank you for all you give to Lovely Lane!

Love Makes a Family Discussion - In conjunction with the photo exhibit "Love Makes a Family" currently on display in the Upper Room Art Gallery at St. Paul's UMC, they are hosting an informal panel discussion featuring families with LGBTQIA+ members from our community who will share their stories. On Wednesday, July 30, 6:30-7:30 pm, we will learn from panelists including State Senator Liz Bennett, State Representative Aime Wichtendahl, Cedar Rapids At-Large Council Member David Maier, and community members Barb Hanson, Selenthia Jeffers, and Luke Lovegood. Our goal is to learn more about diverse families—who they are (our neighbors!), what advances they've seen, and what kinds of challenges they still face (or maybe backward steps they've seen). We will learn more about how everyone can support diverse families in our community. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Join us as we learn more about how love makes a family!

Kennedy Student Parking at Lovely Lane 2025-2026 School Year — If you have a student in your family that attends and parks at Kennedy HS, as a Lovely Lane member you can enjoy the "perk" of student parking for free in the Lovely Lane parking lot. Students still need to register for a parking permit with the Kennedy office and must park in the designated spaces but will not be charged the parking permit fee. Please contact the church office with questions and/or to add your student to this list by August 5.

## This Week at Lovely Lane

#### **Ministry Opportunities**

Sunday - July 27 - Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 AM In-person & livestream worship
10:30 AM Church Shower Reception
12:00 PM Congolese congregation

8:00 PM Youth Group Outdoor Movie at St. Stephen's

Lutheran Church

Monday - July 28

6:30 PM Scouting America #766 (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday - July 29

Wednesday - July 30

Thursday - July 31

Friday - August 1

Saturday - August 2

Sunday - August 3 - Eighth 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)

Restaurants account for 78% of all disposable packaging. They use an estimated 282 billion napkins a year. Please let your server know how many napkins, condiment packets, etc. you will need to avoid waste. Once anything is on your table, it must be thrown away if not used. Please take along your own to-go container.

1.3 billion tons of food are wasted annually. Please decrease your waste at home. Use up your leftovers. In restaurants you can share meals to decrease waste.

Everything we can do makes a difference!

-United Women in Faith

# Assisting in Worship – July 27, 2025

#### **Greeters**

John & Bobbie O'Bryon

#### Lector

Teri Krumm

#### Ushers

Steve & Deb Streff

#### Acolyte

Natalie Krumm

# Preacher

Pastor Scott Meador

### **Lovely Lane UMC Staff**

#### **Administration & Worship**

Dr. Scott Meador

Associate Pastor Rev. Kristina Roth-Klinck

Director of Media & Technology Eric Wylie

Organist Dennis Ramsey
Chancel Choir Director
Handbell Choir Director
Director of Children's Choirs
Charlie Kucera
Carla Jesse

Chancel Choir Accompanist 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)

Lead Pastor

#### Office & Facilities

Office Administrator & Finance Sec.
Office Assistant
Office Assistant
Office Assistant
Treasurer
Marti Bowman
Sara Alterbal
Susan Kohl
Membership Secretary
Website & Social Media
Facilities Manager

Tammy Martin
Marti Bowman
Sara Alterbal
Susan Camp
Shelly Turner
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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