# ANNOUNCEMENTS August 24, 2025 updated

#### JOYS

- \*Blessings for a wonderful school year
- \*Children's Weekday Ministry with new students and programs
- \*Blessing of backpacks in worship
- \*Appreciation for staff member, Marti Bowman, as she moves to Arizona
- \*Happy 90<sup>th</sup> birthday to Jayne Woodson
- \*Happy 58<sup>th</sup> anniversary to Dave and Nancy Wittenburg
- \*Happy 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary to Jeff and Rose Blank
- \*Thanks to Kim Moore and Codey Powell for serving as youth leaders this fall
- \*Thanks to Nancy, Kyle, and Pam Patrick for the special music
- \*John O'Bryon's niece celebrating 55<sup>th</sup> birthday, after some health concerns
- \*"Where Did the Summer Go" music event last week

## **CONCERNS**

- \*Nancy Miller at Cottage Grove
- \*Jan Peterson at Hiawatha Care Center
- \*Curtis Thomas's brother, Mike, with health challenges
- \*Tom Muller's sister-in-law, Denise, receiving hospice care
- \*Sympathy to Rose Blank after passing of colleague in ministry, Sister Gabe
- \*Health concerns for Della, owner of home from Transform week work
- \*Codey Powell's grandfather with a broken femur
- \*Humanitarian crisis in Gaza
- \*Dialogue for peace between Ukraine and Russia

Worship Servant Signup for greeters, lectors and ushers will continue to be done through the signup sheet in the narthex or by contacting the church office. September and October dates and times are now available for signup. If you are interested in assisting as a communion server, please contact Pastor Scott Meador.

Youth Co-op Pool Party – Sunday, August 24, from 3:00 – 5:00 pm. Meet at Noelridge Aquatic Center for an End of Summer Swim. Please bring your friends, family, and your swim gear. We encourage students who have a pool pass to bring it; otherwise, the Youth Co-Op will cover the cost of entrance.

Firth Sunday Brunch/Potluck August 31, 2025 - following the 9:30 worship service. We encourage everyone to bring a dish that they love and would like to share. It can be an appetizer, main course, salad, side, or dessert. Please bring your own table service. Drinks will be provided. Please contact Judy McDowell with Questions <a href="mailto:jmcdow51@aol.com">jmcdow51@aol.com</a>

**Kids Club** will start on **Wednesday, September 3**. Family meal will start at 5:15 pm and programming is from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Kids club includes the ages of Pre-K through  $5^{th}$  grade.

The Bell Choir of Lovely Lane, known as Acabella, is seeking new members. We have an opening for a ringer this coming ringing season. Our first rehearsal will be on September 10, at 7:15 pm in the sanctuary of Lovely Lane. The Bell Choir rehearses every Wednesday night from 7:15 to 8:30 pm and performs the last Sunday of each month. If you are interested in ringing with Acabella please contact the director, Charlie Kucera at (319) 389-0877 or email at djchkucera@aol.com.

Chancel Choir will begin their 2025-2026 season with rehearsal on Sunday, September 14 at 9:00 am in the Choir Room. We will sing for the first time the following Sunday, September 21. If you have ever considered "Singing to the Lord", the time is now. Rehearsal is at 9:00 am as previously mentioned and we sing at the 10:30 service every Sunday except the last Sunday of the month. Come join us! We are a wonderful family of music makers. You say you can't read music? You don't have to. You think the robes are too hot? At times, yes, they are. All are welcome. Give us a try!

**Return to regular worship schedule** – We will plan to start our fall worship schedule on **Sunday, September 14**, with services at 8:30 and 10:30. (8:30 in-person and 10:30 both in-person and live-streamed.) Children's Sunday School resumes on the 14<sup>th</sup> as well.

Wednesday Night Study Group led by Pastor Scott will begin meeting again on Wednesday, September 10. Morning group meets via Zoom at 9:30 and evening group meets at 6:00 pm in the library. The first book for the study will be "Jesus and the Powers," by N.T. Wright and Michael F. Bird. Books will be available soon.

Women's Book Study will begin meeting on Wednesday, September 17, at 12:00 pm in the Fireside Room. Sherrie Ilg will be leading this study in the Fall. More information to come soon.

# Children's Weekday Ministries Hiring for this fall

Pierce before school daycare staff
6:30 am - 9:00 am, Monday & Wednesday
Pierce before school cook
7:00 am - 9:00 am, Monday-Thursday
Pierce After School Staff
3:00 pm - 5:45 pm, Friday
Office Admin Assistant
3:30 pm - 5:30 pm, Monday-Friday

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Hy-Vee Receipts for Children's Weekday Ministries – For every \$200 in eligible Hy-Vee receipts collected, CWM will receive \$1. The receipts can be from various Hy-Vee locations and departments, including groceries, catering, pharmacies, fuel, and more. Hy-Vee receipts can be submitted for date of purchase from April 1, 2025 - March 31, 2026. Please bring your receipts to the donation box on the table just inside the left entrance to the sanctuary. These funds benefit the Children's Weekday Ministries. Thank you for your support!

# This Week at Lovely Lane

# **Ministry Opportunities**

Sunday – August 24 - Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 AM In-person & livestream worship
12:00 PM Congolese congregation
2:00 PM Golf Outing – Solon

3:00 PM Youth Co-op - End of Summer Swim at

Noelridge Aquatic Center

Monday - August 25

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

Tuesday - August 26

6:30 PM SPPRC (Library)

Wednesday - August 27

6:00 PM Trustees (Library)

Thursday - August 28

Friday - August 29

Saturday - August 30

**Sunday – August 31 –** Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 AM In-person & livestream worship

10:45 AM 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Potluck/Brunch (Fellowship Hall)

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**

When shopping, please ask yourself: (continued)

- -Was this product produced efficiently in an ecologically sound way?
- -Is this product made with recycled or sustainable materials?
- -Many of the fair-trade items are made with recycled water bottles. Toilet paper, paper towels, and tissues can be made with sustainable bamboo shoots rather than from trees.

Everything we can do makes a difference!

-United Women in Faith

# Assisting in Worship – August 24, 2025

## **Greeters**

Marla Gonzalez & Landen Bentley

#### Lector

Pastor John O'Bryon

## Ushers

Kathy Meiborg & Travis Meiborg

# Acolyte

Landen Bentley

## 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
Organist
Chancel Choir Director
Handbell Choir Director
Chancel Choir Accompanist

Eric Wylie
Dennis Ramsey
Nancy Patrick
Charlie Kucera
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.
Office Assistant
Treasurer
Membership Secretary
Website & Social Media
Facilities Manager

Tammy Martin
Sara Alterbal
Susan Kohl
Susan Camp
Shelly Turner
Curtis Thomas

Custodians Rex & Rhonda Heasty

Wedding Coordinator

inator Becky Wood

## **Church Office Hours**

Monday – Thursday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Friday - Closed

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