

ANNOUNCEMENTS

September 28, 2025 updated

JOYS

- *Lynn Heidt expressing gratitude after illnesses over the last year
- *Steve and Deb Streff with presentation about sex and labor trafficking at UWF Annual Meeting
- *Rev. David Gerth promoting the Gamaliel Network listening campaign
- *Curtis and Maggie Thomas celebrate family members in worship and good health report for grandnephew, John

CONCERNS

- *Nancy Miller recovering from a stroke at Cottage Grove
- *Dorris Lanning saying "hello" from Cottage Grove
- *Craig and Pam Nixon's friend, Rick, with foot amputation
- *Curtis Thomas's brother, Mike, with bone cancer concerns
- *Katherine Plendl's father, Leslie, with diverticulitis and a tooth matter
- *Rosie Lauritsen hospitalized with complications from a kidney infection
- *Sympathy to Jim and Myrna Loehrlein after passing of Jim's sister
- *Sympathy to Darwin and Pam Moore after passing of Pam's brother-in-law
- *Citizens facing difficulties and oppression
- *Sunday afternoon rally at Green Square Park
- *Des Moines Schools with superintendent, Ian Roberts, on unpaid administration leave
- *Church shooting in Grand Blanc, Michigan
- *Uncertainty for troops near Gaza
- *Ongoing wars in Nigeria and Sudan
- *National and international concerns

Youth Co-op Outing – St. Paul's United Methodist Church invites youth co-op students, families, and friends to a fun-filled evening at Bass Farms! **Wednesday, October 1, from 6:00 – 7:30 pm.** Enjoy mini-golf, a jumping pad, hayrack rides, corn maze and more. Free admission, no cost to your family. Please note that transportation will not be provided. To help keep everyone safe and having fun, children 12 and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian who stays for the event. Bass Farms, 840 Bass Lane, Mt. Vernon, IA 52314.

Self-Defense Class – United Women in Faith will sponsor a Self-Defense Class on **October 11, from 9:00-11:00 am.** Please **RSVP by calling the church office, (319) 393-6674.**

This event is a 2-hour program to educate us on awareness and prevention presented by Chris Smaby, a Cedar Rapids police officer. This is open and encouraged for junior and senior high youth, women and men. The cost is \$5 per family. Pay on arrival.

Men's Breakfast – Our next gathering will be on **Saturday, October 25 at 8:30 am** in the Fellowship Hall. Chris Georges, Executive Director, of the American Red Cross will be the speaker. Please join us. All are welcome!

Trunk or Treat–October 25, 2025, 1:00-2:30 pm. Please mark your calendars and consider sponsoring a "trunk" and or donating candy for this traditional event. The trick or treaters will vote for their favorite "trunk," and the winner will receive a gift card. Decorating your trunk is optional. You could open your trunk, rear-hatch, or tailgate, fill a bucket with candy and sit in your lawn chair! Let's fill the Lovely Lane parking lot with lots of trunks and enjoy the fun fellowship. This is a great outreach to our community. Best Youth Costume and Best Adult Costume awarded with a gift card. Must have a vehicle participating in the Trunk or Treat event to be eligible. Please sign up in the church narthex. Do you have a Fall/Halloween inflatable we could use for the afternoon in the parking lot? Please contact the church office.

Fall Mission Study & Annual Ingathering - Join with United Women in Faith units and churches across the Northeast District for a meaningful day of fellowship, learning and hand-on-mission work! **Saturday, November 1, 2025, from 8:00 am to noon** at the First United Methodist Church in Cedar Falls, Iowa. Coffee and refreshments, mat weaving demonstrations, craft & quilt sale, take-home kit projects, speakers on global & regional hunger, free lunch at noon and rice packing with Midwest Mission.

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 outside the left entrance to the sanctuary. These funds benefit the Children's Weekday Ministries. Thank you for your support!

Women's Fall Retreat - Saturday, November 1

Registration is **8:30 – 9:30 am.** The program will be **from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm.** The theme will be "Cancer in our Midst." Join us as we learn more about cancer, including the current prevalence of several types in Iowa. Speakers will touch on prevention, treatment and more. There will be a light continental breakfast, a shared activity for Gems of Hope, spiritual guidance with Pastor Sherrie Ilg, fellowship with each other and a delicious soup lunch. Cost will be \$20, scholarships are available. Sponsored by Health & Wholeness.

Kennedy Food Pantry Updates – Following is the wish list for the pantry: Apples, canned fruit, peanut butter, jelly, Ramen noodles, fruit roll-ups, toothpaste, aluminum baking dishes, muffin and cake pans, cake mixes, popcorn, chips, Cheez-its, snack crackers, tuna and canned pasta. Please bring your donations to the tubs at the left entrance to the sanctuary at Lovely Lane. Thank you for contributing to this mission.

This Week at Lovely Lane

Ministry Opportunities

Sunday – September 28 – *Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

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| 8:30 AM | Worship in-person |
| 9:00 AM | Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) |
| 9:30 AM | Adult Sunday School |
| 10:30 AM | Worship in-person & livestream |
| 10:45 AM | Children's Sunday School |
| 12:00 PM | Congolese congregation |
| 3:00 PM | Lego Masters @ St. Paul's |

Monday – September 29

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| 6:30 PM | Scouting America #766 (Fellowship Hall) |
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Tuesday – September 30

Wednesday – October 1

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| 9:30 AM | Book Study via Zoom |
| 12:00 PM | Women's Book Study (Fireside) |
| 5:15 PM | Family Meal (Fellowship Hall) |
| 6:00 PM | Kids Club |
| 6:00 PM | Youth Co-op Outing at Bass Farms |
| 6:00 PM | Confirmation (Fireside Room) |
| 6:00 PM | Book Study (Library) |
| 7:15 PM | Bells Rehearsal (Sanctuary) |

Thursday – October 2

Friday – October 3

Saturday – October 4

Sunday – October 5 – *Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost*

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| 8:30 AM | Worship in-person |
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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.



Assisting in Worship – September 28, 2025

Greeters

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| 8:30 am | Kathy Meiborg & Travis Meiborg |
| 10:30 am | Jim & Trish Palmer |

Lector

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| 8:30 am | Kathy Millian |
| 10:30 am | Nancy Snyder |

Ushers

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| 8:30 am | Kathy Millian |
| 10:30 am | Bill & Gloria Jahnel |

Acolyte

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| 10:30 am | Rose Mills |
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Preacher

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| Pastor Scott Meador |
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Lovely Lane UMC Staff

Administration & Worship

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

Children & Youth

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

Office & Facilities

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| Office Administrator & Finance Sec. | Tammy Martin |
| Office Assistant | Sara Alterbal |
| 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

Office Phone (319) 393-6674