

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### November 30, 2025, updated

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#### JOYS

- \*Thanksgiving celebrations with family and friends
- \*First Sunday of Advent worship time together
- \*Alexis from Waypoint speaking in worship to support special offering
- \*Thanks to Pastor Kristina for stepping in as pianist in worship
- \*Happy 57<sup>th</sup> anniversary to Joel and Marilyn Goodman
- \*Appreciation for the bell choir playing in worship
- \*Andy and Mary Vorwerk express thanks for prayers following Andy's brief hospitalization

#### CONCERNS

- \*Holiday travel following the Saturday winter weather
- \*Shirley Mickelson recovering from a recent fall
- \*Sympathy to Craig and Pam Nixon following the passing of their friend, Rick
- \*Jim and Barb Vancura's family member, Rod, receiving hospice care
- \*National and international concerns

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**Advent Giving Tree** – There are still several gift tags on the Angel Tree. If you have not already done so, please consider picking up a gift tag and helping a needy child or adult this Christmas. We can scan a gift tag to you, if you are not able to come to the church. The due date has been extended to **Wednesday, December 3**, however, with some tags we can be flexible on the return date. Please contact the church office if you have any questions about the Angel Tree. Thank you.

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**Study groups with Pastor Scott** continue to meet on Wednesdays. The morning group meets on Zoom at 9:30 am. The evening group meets in the library at 6:00 pm. The Advent Study will start on **December 3**. The book, "Prepare the Way for the Lord," by Adam Hamilton, is available in the church office, \$10.

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**Christmas with Bonhoeffer** – Please join us for reflections on Dietrich Bonhoeffer and his understandings of the Advent and Christmas with Dr. Craig Nesson, William D. Steng Professor for the Education and Renewal of the Church, Professor of Contextual Education and Ethics, Wartburg Theological Seminary, Dubuque, Iowa. This event will be held on **Tuesday, December 9, at 7:00 pm** in the sanctuary at Lovely Lane. All are welcome and there is no cost to attend.

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**Christmas Extravaganza** – The Cedar Rapids Metro Circuit invite you to a joyful celebration of the season – our Christmas Extravaganza! **Saturday, December 13, 1:30-3:30 PM at St. Paul's UMC in Cedar Rapids.** Let's come together to celebrate the joy of Christmas with music, laughter, and community.

**December Men's Breakfast** – will be held on **Saturday, December 20 at 8:30** in the fellowship hall. The speaker will be John Payan, Head Men's Basketball Coach, Coe College. A light breakfast will be served. All are welcome!

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**Children's Weekday Ministries Fundraisers** - Save money going out to eat, shopping, entertaining kids, shipping gifts for Christmas and more by using coupons! CWM is selling the *Savearound* coupon books with 50% of proceeds benefiting Lovely Lane Preschool and Daycare. If you are interested, please stop in the church office or preschool office to purchase one in person or order online. The last day to purchase these is **Wednesday, December 10.**  
<https://www.sapaynow.com/180493>

Our outreach preschool, Trinity Lane, is selling pasta kits from Marion based Pasta of the Prairie. You can order online at: <https://www.pastaoftheprairie.com/shop> and select Trinity Lane Preschool as the fundraiser. Purchase pasta and donate it to a food bank and you've helped two missions at once! The last day to purchase these is **Wednesday, December 3.**

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#### 2025 Advent Offering Recipients

**Waypoint:** Waypoint's Domestic Violence Victim Services Program (DV Program) offers free, confidential services to domestic violence victims and survivors, as well as their families. Waypoint is Cedar Rapids' largest provider of shelter for women and families with children. It also offers daily childcare and education for children ages 6 weeks to 12 years of age.



**National Alliance on Mental Illness:** National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness. NAMI provides advocacy, education, support and public awareness so that all individuals and families affected by mental illness can build better lives. Most of NAMI's funding comes from individual contributions.

**Women at the Well:** Is a United Methodist congregation located within the walls of the Iowa Correctional Institution for Women, in Mitchellville, Iowa. It offers ministries designed to encourage the spiritual growth of its members, assist them when they transition back into the world outside the walls and to better understand the hurts and hopes of those who reside within the Iowa Correctional Institute for Women. Lovely Lane is committed to being an ongoing supporting partner of this ministry.

**Fire and Fragrance:** This mission is part of the "Youth with a Mission" family. Currently, Ellen Stines, a former member of Lovely Lane is serving in her fourth year as a full-time missionary with them in South Africa. Ministries include evangelism, discipleship of women in a rehab center, worship and prayer, and promoting events helping to spread the body of Christ across South Africa. All financial support comes from churches, friends, and family.

## This Week at Lovely Lane

### Ministry Opportunities

#### Sunday – November 30 – *First Sunday of Advent*

- 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

#### Monday – December 1

- 9:45 AM Prayer Shawl (Fireside Room)
- 6:30 PM Scouting America #766 (Fellowship Hall)

#### Tuesday – December 2

#### Wednesday – December 3

- 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 Group
- 6:00 PM Confirmation (Fireside Room)
- 6:00 PM Book Study (Library)
- 7:15 PM Bells Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

#### Thursday – December 4

- 6:00 PM First Aid Training (Fellowship Hall)

#### Friday – December 5

#### Saturday – December 6

#### Sunday–December 7 – *Second Sunday of Advent*

- 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

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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 – November 30, 2025

### Greeters

- 8:30 am – Les & Sherry Minor
- 10:30 am – Ron & Margaret Nelson

### Lector

- 8:30 am – Travis Meiborg
- 10:30 am – Stephanie French

### Ushers

- 8:30 am – Travis Meiborg & Kathy Meiborg
- 10:30 am – Steve & Deb Streff & JR Streff

### Acolyte

- 10:30 am – Brinley 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	Eric Wylie
Pianist	Marcie Stumpf
Chancel Choir Director	Nancy Patrick
Handbell Choir Director	Charlie Kucera
Chancel Choir Accompanist	Linda Bayliss
Director of Children's Choirs	Olivia Schneider

### Children & Youth

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 (Children's Weekday Ministries)	Dawn DuPont

### Office & Facilities

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

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### Church Office Hours

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

Friday – Closed

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