

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## December 21, 2025, updated

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### JOYS

- \*Celebrating the Roth-Klinck ministries with us
- \*New leadership for the Nourished community
- \*Joy of Christmas
- \*Les and Sherry Minor's grandson Mitch graduating from college
- \*Linda and Dave Keefe celebrating their 57th wedding anniversary
- \*Morgan Stumpf graduated from UNI with degree in music education
- \*Winter Solstice and days getting longer
- \*Birthday celebrations in Jan Loftus' family
- \*John Samuel André, close friend of Stines family is doing well
- \*Children's Christmas pageant

### CONCERNS

- \*Iowa National Guard soldiers that were injured have returned
- \*Ongoing international and national violence
- \*Kathy Meiborg's sister Kay with health concerns
- \*Rose Blank's brother in-law James with cancer diagnosis
- \*Marci Wittles thanks everyone for the prayers after the loss of her mother
- \*Mary Odegaard recovering from a successful surgery
- \*John Roland after the passing of his Uncle David
- \*Katie Lewis-Silva's husband Victor on way to Brazil, grandfather not doing well
- \*Kaidence Stepp's step-mom fighting cancer
- \*Susan Camp's brother diagnosed with cancer
- \*Heidi Smith's friend with cancer and upcoming surgery
- \*Jorie Dillman's mother with eye surgery
- \*Stephanie French after the passing of friend
- \*Stephanie French's niece with surgery

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**Christmas Poinsettias in the Sanctuary** – If you would like to donate a poinsettia in memory of a loved one to share in the Lovely Lane sanctuary this holiday season, please bring it to the church and note on the signup sheet who the poinsettia is from and who it is in honor of. Those being remembered and honored will be listed in an insert in the bulletin on Christmas Eve. Please submit this information by **Monday, December 22**.

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**Church Service Opportunity** – As we move into the New Year, we have an opportunity for a person or a couple to prepare for coffee fellowship one Sunday a month at 7:30 am. Please reach out to Judy McDowell if you can assist in this area. [Jmcdow51@aol.com](mailto:Jmcdow51@aol.com).

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### CHRISTMAS AT LOVELY LANE

*Christmas Eve Worship Services*

**Tuesday, December 24 at 3:30, 5:30, and 7:30**

**December 28, One worship service at 9:30  
No Sunday School**



### 2025 Advent Offering Recipients

The 2025 Advent Giving recipients are listed below. Advent Giving cards were mailed to homes, are available on the table in front of the office in the narthex and can be mailed upon request. Please prayerfully consider how you might assist those who need a boost.



**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.

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**Please note:** Contributions to Lovely Lane UMC for the calendar year of 2025 must be received at the church office or postmarked by **5:00 pm on Wednesday, December 31** to be included on your 2025 giving statement for tax purposes. Online contributions must be made by this same time as well. This is in accordance with IRS guidelines. Thank you for your generous and faithful giving to Lovely Lane.

## This Week at Lovely Lane

### Ministry Opportunities

#### Sunday – December 21 – *Fourth 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 22

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

#### Tuesday – December 23

#### Wednesday – December 24 – *Christmas Eve*

- 3:30 PM Candlelight Service – Family Friendly
- 5:30 PM Candlelight Service
- 7:30 PM Candlelight Service

#### Thursday – December 25 – *Christmas Day*

Church Office Closed

#### Friday – December 26

#### Saturday – December 27

- 8:30 AM Men's Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)

#### Sunday–December 28 – *First Sunday after Christmas*

- 9:30 AM Worship in-person & livestream  
No Sunday School
- 12:00 PM Congolese congregation

### General Budget Pledge for 2026

The total pledged to date for next financial year is:

**\$483,822**

This is nearly a 10% increase from 2025

Thank you for all your faithful giving to Lovely Lane!



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- 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 – December 21, 2025

### Greeters

- 8:30 am – Barb Waterhouse
- 10:30 am – Steve & Deb Streff, JR Streff

### Lector

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

### Ushers

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

### Acolyte

- 10:30 am – Natalie Krumm

### Preacher

Pastor Kristina Roth-Klinck

## 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                |
| 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

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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<br>(Children's Weekday Ministries) | Dawn DuPont      |

### 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

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