

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### December 7, 2025, updated

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#### JOYS

- \*Rita Stewart's son, Quintin, and girlfriend, Ashley, in worship (and happy b-day to Quintin)
- \*Advent mission offering for NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness)
- \*Neighbors helping neighbors following the recent snowstorm
- \*Individuals held in detention centers and prisons
- \*Fair trade sale next Sunday
- \*Poinsettias in the sanctuary

#### CONCERNS

- \*Craig Martinson with heart procedure this week
- \*Audrey Roth-Klinck with overnight health challenges
- \*Sympathy to Judy Robertson following the passing of husband, Ken
- \*Shirley Mickelson recovering from a fall at West Ridge Care Center
- \*Curtis and Maggie Thomas's daughter-in-law, Rachel, with health concerns during pregnancy
- \*Marci Wittles's mother receiving hospice care
- \*Marci Wittles with a double mastectomy procedure in January
- \*Sister church in Matanzas, Cuba, experiencing mosquito-borne viruses
- \*Jenny Schear recovering from a hip replacement procedure
- \*National and international concerns

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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. Streng 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.

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**CHRISTMAS CLOTHING SUNDAY** – On **Sunday, December 14**, you are invited to wear your favorite Christmas clothing to church. This might involve a favorite sweater, an ugly sweater, tartan pants or accessories. It's a fun way to celebrate the season!

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**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!

**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>

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#### CHRISTMAS AT LOVELY LANE

*Lovely Lane Children's Christmas Program*  
**Sunday, December 21 at 10:30**

*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**



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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 – 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

#### Monday – December 8

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

#### Tuesday – December 9

- 7:00 PM Christmas with Bonhoeffer (Sanctuary)

#### Wednesday – December 10

- 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 11

#### Friday – December 12

#### Saturday – December 13

- 1:30 PM Music Extravaganza (St. Paul's UMC)

#### Sunday–December 14 – *Third 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 – December 7, 2025

### Greeters

- 8:30 am – Evan Kerns
- 10:30 am – Becky Wood

### Lector

- 8:30 am – Travis Meiborg
- 10:30 am – Teri Krumm

### Ushers

- 8:30 am – Travis Meiborg & Kathy Meiborg
- 10:30 am – Mike & Becky Wood

### Acolyte

- 10:30 am – Ava Maher

### Communion Servers

- 8:30 am – Bert Tribuno & Travis Meiborg
- 10:30 am – Heather Meador & Chris Johnson

### Preacher

- Pastor Scott Meador

## 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          |

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### Church Office Hours

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

Friday – Closed

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