

ANNOUNCEMENTS

January 25, 2026, updated

JOYS

- *Celebrating the music ministry of organist Dennis Ramsey
- *Chris Johnson celebrates one year at Lovely Lane
- *Curtis and Maggie Thomas rejoicing in new grandchild, Elliott
- *Meditation and More Event last Saturday
- *Acts of kindness for others in Minnesota
- *Emmett Mills selling pancake meal tickets for Scouts

CONCERNS

- *Sympathy to the family of Ruth Schwiebert (memorial service Friday 1/30 at Murdoch in Marion, 10:30)
- *Sympathy to the family of Regina Culbertson (memorial service 1/31 at Lovely Lane, 1:30)
- *Sympathy to the family and friends of Judy and Jessica Fisher following a car accident
- *Cheryl Murphy's grandson, Teddy, handling depression
- *Homeless individuals during the winter months
- *Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul following the unrest
- *Immigrants and refugees living in fear
- *Families of Renee Good and Alex Pretti following their deaths
- *Liz Briggman's neighbor, Larry, receiving medical care at the VA
- *National and international concerns

Dennis Ramsey will be recognized at the **10:30** worship service today, **Sunday, January 25**, for his many years of serving as organist at Lovely Lane United Methodist Church. Many thanks to Dennis for his constant dedication and for sharing his talents with all of us. He has been a very special blessing, and we wish him all the very best! Following worship service there will be a light reception for Dennis in the fellowship hall. Please stop by and join us!

Youth Service Project and Music Bingo – Sunday, January 25 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm at St. Paul's UMC. Please join us for an afternoon of service and fun! We'll be putting together food outreach bags for Willis Dady Homeless Services and beginning work on a trivia presentation for an upcoming fundraiser. More details about the fundraiser will be shared soon—we're excited to get the planning started together! Please bring your willingness to help others and friends!

Friendly Fellowship will meet on **January 29, 2026, at noon in the fellowship hall.** (This is the 5th Thursday instead of the 4th because of a scheduling conflict.) Please bring a dish to share and your own table service. Our program is with our new Associate Pastor, Rev. Dr. Alecia Hilmer. We will enjoy fellowship with her as we get to know her, and she is anxious to meet you.

Souper Sunday – The Lovely Lane Youth Group will again be having their annual fundraiser on **Super Bowl Sunday, February 8.** Following is the online order form to order your sub and soup combos:

<https://lovelylane.breezechms.com/form/6c74e1>

Order forms can also be picked up in the narthex and will be included with your bulletins this coming Sunday. The deadline for ordering is **Wednesday, February 4.** The funds raised will go towards the youth trip this summer. They will be traveling to Columbia, MO, for a Service-Learning Trip which will focus on Disability Inclusion and Advocacy. Please contact Kim Moore, (715) 432-1982 or kimm@lovelylane.org.

Youth – "Big Game" Party, Sunday, February 8, from 5:00 pm until the end of the game. We will meet at St. Paul's UMC - 1340 3rd Ave SE, Cedar Rapids. Come for food and fun at our Big Game Party! We'll have the game on, play games, and enjoy food throughout the night. Students are welcome to come and go as schedules allow. We'll provide Raising Cane's. Please bring a side or snack to share and friends and family.

Men's Breakfast –Upcoming meetings will take place on **February 21, and March 21.** In February, Charlie Kucera will speak about the board game that he created called "Captains and Companies." In March, Kurt Rogahn from NAMI will speak about mental health. All are welcome!

Worship Servant Signup – Please consider signing up to serve as Greeters, Ushers or Lector for the 2 worship services at 8:30 and 10:30 am. The signup sheet is in the Narthex and both February and March opportunities are posted. We appreciate all of those who help us serve others in these roles. Please contact the church office with any questions, (319) 393-6674.

The Prayer Shawl Group continues to meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month at 9:45 am in the Fireside Room. They stitch prayer shawls for new babies, Lovely Lane graduates, those who are ill and those who are grieving. Blankets and shawls are knitted, crocheted or sewn. If you would like to stitch and enjoy some good fellowship, please contact Sharon Kouba at (319) 329-7228.

Help Wanted – The Lovely Lane Nursery is looking for care givers to help during worship services on Sunday mornings. If you or someone you know is interested, please have them contact the church office, (319) 393-6674.

Church Service Opportunity – 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.

Save the Date - Mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 18** for our United Women in Faith Garage Sale, from **8:00 am to noon.**

This Week at Lovely Lane

Ministry Opportunities

Sunday – January 25 – *Third Sunday after Epiphany*

- 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 Youth Service Project (St. Paul's UMC)

Monday – January 26

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

Tuesday – January 27

- 6:00 PM Children's Council Meeting (Fireside Room)
- 6:30 PM SPPRC (Library)

Wednesday – January 28

- 9:30 AM Book Study via Zoom
- 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 – January 29

- 12:00 PM Friendly Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)

Friday – January 30

Saturday – January 31

Sunday – February 1 – *Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany*

- 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

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 – January 25, 2026

Greeters

- 8:30 am – Travis Meiborg & Kathy Meiborg
- 10:30 am – Dave & Nancy Wittenburg

Lector

- 8:30 am – Travis Meiborg
- 10:30 am – John Roland

Ushers

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

Acolyte

Brooklyn Crandall

Preacher

Pastor Scott Meador

Lovely Lane UMC Staff

Administration & Worship

Lead Pastor	Dr. Scott Meador
Associate Pastor	Dr. Alecia Hilmer
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	Kim Moore
Nursery Caregiver Lead	Brooke Johnson
Nursery Caregiver	Hailey Ryan
Nursery Caregiver	Carly Giddings
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

Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday
9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Friday – Closed

Office Phone (319) 393-6674