

ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 8, 2026, updated

JOYS

- *Youth fundraiser preparing subs and soup on Super Bowl Sunday
- *Sports clothing in worship on Super Bowl Sunday
- *Winter Olympics taking place in Italy
- *Metro Orchestra Festival highlighting area youth
- *United Women in Faith taking cookies and candies to shut-ins for Valentine's Day
- *Children receiving scouting awards in worship, Ben Davis, Teddy Davis, Rose Mills
- *Landen and Brinley Bentley with scouting achievements
- *Judi Leberman's granddaughter was first female in her troop to receive Eagle Scout rank
- *Jayne Woodson has her coat and keys back

CONCERNS

- *Sympathy to friends and family of Dorris Lanning after her passing (memorial service in the early spring)
- *Sympathy to John and Bobbie O'Bryon following the passing of their niece, Jeannie
- *David Beckner's father, DeWayne with headaches following a mild stroke
- *Ronald McDonald House resident, Lucilla, caring for her child in the NICU
- *Mark Dillman managing hurt with family challenges
- *UMC and others calling out President Trump after his racist social media post last Friday
- *Cities of Minneapolis and St. Paul's with ongoing challenges
- *National and international concerns

United Women in Faith – Valentines Day Boxes – Please join us on **Thursday, February 12 at 1:00** to box up cookies, candies, snacks and cards and then deliver to our friends who cannot make it to church regularly. Please bring 1-2 dozen Valentine's cookies, candies, or snacks to share. We welcome anyone to donate cookies and candies. We will need 5-7 drivers to deliver and visit with each of our friends. You can make it a family affair if you would like, you are welcome to bring your husband and/or your kids. Looking forward to seeing you on the 12th! Please call or text Deb Streff, with questions. (319) 721-8864.

Lent in a Bag - Beginning **Sunday, February 15**, each household may pick up a *Lent in a Bag* kit at the church. Lent is the 40 days before Easter where we seek to journey with Jesus. *Lent in a Bag* provides us with symbols, scripture and reflective questions for a weekly devotional in our homes. We are inviting all our households to join in this Lenten journey.

Family event at Airfx in Hiawatha – Sunday, February 15, 2:00 – 3:00 pm. Lovely Lane will cover the cost of admission to the trampoline park. If you have jumping socks, please bring those.

Men's Breakfast – The next gathering will be **on Saturday, February 21, at 8:30 am** in the fellowship hall. Charlie Kucera will share about the board game he created, "Captains and Companies." We will enjoy coffee and few breakfast items. All are welcome!

Church Wide Garage Sale – Start cleaning out your closets, basements, garages and box up your things to bring to the church on **Friday evening, April 17 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm.** United Women in Faith will be hosting a garage sale the following morning, **Saturday, April 18, from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm.** Proceeds will go towards missions and the summer youth trip. What to donate for the sale: kitchen items, home décor, books, toys, furniture, children's clothing and sporting goods. What NOT to donate for the sale: adult clothing, tube TV's, large appliances and mattresses. Many volunteers (men, women, youth) will be needed to set up, to help at the sale and for takedown and delivery of unsold items to charity. Please contact Deb Streff (319) 721-8864 or debstreff@gmail.com.

Lenten Book Study – The Study groups with Pastor Scott will focus on the book, *Life Together*, by Dietrich Bonhoeffer, during the Lenten season. The Wednesday classes will take place at 9:30 am (on Zoom) and 6:00 pm in the library and will start on February 25. Books will be available soon in the church office, for \$10.

Vacation Bible School Save the Date – July 19-23

Dinner will be served from 5:15 – 6:00 pm and programming will begin at 6:00 pm and end at 8:00 pm. This year's theme will be "Snowball Mountain Challenge." Please contact Annie Walker with questions at anniew@lovelylane.org.

Thank you for submitting your Hy-Vee Receipts for Lovely Lane Preschool and Daycare! They are happy to report we have reached the \$147,000 point of a \$150,000 goal for the year. For every \$200 in eligible Hy-Vee receipts collected, 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.

Did you know? – You can give blood at any area location and mention that you want to credit Lovely Lane with that donation? We will not be having a blood drive at Lovely Lane, however we encourage you to give blood if you are able. You can find a list of places-dates-times to donate at the following website: redcrossblood.org.

This Week at Lovely Lane

Ministry Opportunities

Sunday – February 8 – *Fifth 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
- 5:00 PM Youth Big Game Party (St. Paul's UMC)

Monday – February 9

- 10:00 AM Happy Endings Book Club (Fireside)
- 6:30 PM Scouting America #766 (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday – February 10

- 6:30 PM Children's Weekday Ministries Board

Wednesday – February 11

- 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 – February 12

- 12:00 PM Clergy Ethics Training (Sanctuary)
- 1:00 PM Valentine Box Prep and Delivery
(Fellowship Hall) – United Women in Faith

Friday – February 13

Saturday – February 14 – *Happy Valentines Day ♥*

Sunday – February 15 – *Transfiguration Sunday*

Pick up your "Lent in a Bag"

- 8:30 AM Heart Healthy Brunch until 10:30
(Fellowship Hall)
- 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 – February 8, 2026

Greeters

- 8:30 am – Dave & Nancy Wittenburg
- 10:30 am – Dave & Nancy Wittenburg

Lector

- 8:30 am – Marcie Stumpf
- 10:30 am – Helen Anderson

Ushers

- 8:30 am – Scott & Terrie Siebert
- 10:30 am – Steve & Deb Streff, JR Streff

Acolyte

- 10:30 - Teddy Davis

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	Dawn DuPont
(Children's Weekday Ministries)	

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
Event Coordinator	Becky Wood

Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday
9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Friday – Closed

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