

ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 26, 2026, updated

JOYS

- *Morgan Stumpf playing the piano and organ in our worship services
- *New member classes coming up
- *Spending time with young grandchildren
- *Happy Birthday to Brooklyn Crandall
- *Happy Birthday to Landen Bentley
- *Gray Area workshop about inclusion and diversity
- *Spring weather and time outdoors

CONCERNS

- *Lu Serbousek's friend's family after passing of good friend, Lori
- *Rory and Karon Niebuhr's friends, Mark and Nancy, with health concerns
- *Linda Carollo receiving successful treatment for breast cancer
- *Tammy Martin's mother hospitalized in Iowa City
- *Sympathy to Chris and Rita McCord after the passing of Chris's mother
- *Duane Abbey recovering after a medical procedure
- *Kent Jackson hospitalized with health concerns
- *Children and families struggling with mental illness and addiction issues
- *National and international matters

Important Meeting for Summer Youth Trip – Our youth co-op will be headed to Columbia, MO for their summer youth trip. All trip participants and guardians for those under 18 years old need to attend a Participant and Guardian Meeting at **3:30 pm on Sunday, April 26 at St. Paul's UMC**. Please contact Becca Nims at rnims@stpaulsumc.org with any questions.

Family Game Afternoon – The Children's Council has organized an afternoon for family games. Families are invited to bring their favorite game to share with others. This event will take place on **May 3, from 2:00 to 4:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Light snacks will be provided. Please contact Annie Walker with any questions: anniew@lovelylane.org.

Kalona Trip - Please join fellow Lovely Laners on a trip to Kalona on **May 8**, carpooling from the church, leaving at **9:00 am**. The first stop is at Golden Delights Bakery. We will visit Maple Ave Nursery, have lunch at the Tuscan Moon Restaurant and end at Stringtown Grocery. You can join in some OR all the stops. To be included in the lunch reservation please sign up in the narthex or contact Alecia at alecia@lovelylane.org. Please bring cash or check for Amish and Mennonite stores. While filling up your car with people, you might consider how many plants you expect to return with.

Women's Book Study Lunch at Bloom's on Blairsferry Rd, Cedar Rapids, **Monday, May 6 at noon**. The book study has wrapped up for the year and will begin again in the fall.

Cuba Partnership Support – Our church website, www.lovelylane.org, has information about ways to support the people of Cuba and our sister church in Matanzas. Please take a look. Thank you for the Lenten offering to support our sister church. Your support is greatly appreciated.

May Men's Breakfast - Saturday, May 16, 8:30 am- Eric Wylie, staff member and owner of Wylie Creative Communications will share. We meet in the Fellowship Hall. A few breakfast items and coffee will be served. All are welcome!

Graduate Recognition – We will recognize high school graduates at our 10:30 worship service on **Sunday, May 17**. Please join us, as we celebrate these students and wish them the best in their future.

Green Square Meals - Six volunteers are needed each month to help with Green Square Meals! The next date is **Thursday, May 21**, with a **3:55 pm** expected arrival time. Contact Dan Moore by phone at: (715) 432-1983 or by email at: banjobubbabad@yahoo.com if you can help serve. Thank you!

Annual Conference Dates – the yearly gathering for clergy and laity will take place in West Des Moines, **June 11-14**. Please keep the Iowa Annual Conference and The United Methodist Church in your prayers.

Matthew 25 Transform Week – This year, Matthew 25 will host the 11th Annual Transform Week, **June 22-26**. Thanks to an amazing number of volunteers, we continue the commitment to quality affordable housing and strong neighborhood building. Our hope is to make this a very impactful week, helping many homeowners who are truly in need. Lovely Lane will again have a team taking on one or more projects during the week. As a volunteer you can work what your schedule allows. You can sign up for half days, full days, multiple days or all week. It is a very rewarding feeling to see a project completed for someone truly deserving! Serving as a Transform Week volunteer is also a great way to become better acquainted with fellow members of Lovely Lane. There is a registration deadline, **Friday, June 5**, this year, so early sign up is strongly encouraged. The number of volunteers will again be capped at 150 per day to keep ratios consistent between volunteers and projects. To register go to [Volunteer](#). When registering please indicate you are a volunteer with the Lovely Lane Group. When committing to a project it is very helpful for us to know how many volunteers we have and what skills they do possess. This is all covered during the sign up process. Please contact Les Minor with any questions lminor@imonmail.com or (319) 310-1945.

This Week at Lovely Lane

Ministry Opportunities

Sunday – April 26 – *Fourth Sunday after Easter*

8:30 AM Worship in-person
9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
9:30 AM Adult Sunday School (Library)
10:30 AM Worship in-person & livestream
10:45 AM Children's Sunday School
12:00 PM Congolese congregation

Monday – April 27

6:00 PM Lovely Lane Preschool Music on the Lawn
(In case of rain, in the Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday – April 28

Wednesday – April 29

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 Book Study (Library)
7:15 PM Bells Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday – April 30

Friday – May 1

Saturday – May 2

Sunday – May 3 – *Fifth Sunday after Easter*

8:30 AM Worship in-person
9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
9:30 AM Adult Sunday School (Library)
10:30 AM Worship in-person & livestream
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 – April 26, 2026

Greeters

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

Lector

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

Ushers

8:30 am – Mike & Becky Wood
10:30 am – Tom & Belinda Muller, Brooklyn Crandall

Acolyte

10:30 am – 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 (Children's Weekday Ministries)	Dawn DuPont

Office & Facilities

Office Administrator & Finance Sec.	Tammy Martin
Office Assistant	Sara Alterbal
Treasurer	Susan Kohl
Event Coordinator & Membership Sec.	Becky Wood
Website & Social Media	Shelly Turner
Facilities Manager	Curtis Thomas
Custodians	Rex & Rhonda Heasty

Church Office Hours

Monday – Thursday
9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Friday – Closed

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