

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## May 17, 2026, updated

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### JOYS

- \*Congratulations to our high school and college graduates
- \*High school graduates receiving the Kadlec Scholarship – Carly Giddings Arp, Ava Kerns, Isaac Schneider
- \*Thanks to Shelly Turner for putting together the graduation video
- \*Preschool graduation at Lovely Lane on Tuesday and Wednesday
- \*David Keefe completing an Honor Flight experience
- \*Cathy Meiborg's youngest grandson graduating from Jefferson HS
- \*Welcoming Statement on the back of the bulletin crafted in 2003
- \*United Women in Faith event, "Choosing Joy," on June 13, 8:30
- \*Morgan and Ryan Stumpf with new work experiences coming up
- \*Rev. Rose Blank officiating at a Sunday afternoon wedding Steve and Leah Nelson, Rev. Paul and Marcia Akin, joining us for worship

### CONCERNS

- \*Marcie Baugh fell, moving to assisted living center in Johnston
- \*Sympathy to the family of Steve Whitford after his sudden passing
- \*Kent Jackson recovering after concerns with his health
- \*Tammy Martin's mother, Esther, recovering at Hiawatha Care Center
- \*National and international concerns

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**Cuba Partnership Support** – Our church website, [www.lovelylane.org](http://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.

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**Summer Special Music** - Would you like to share your musical talents with your Lovely Lane family? We are looking for musicians to provide special music for our summer worship services. If you are interested, please contact Marcie Stumpf at [marcies@lovelylane.org](mailto:marcies@lovelylane.org) and let her know what you are planning to do and dates that will work for you.

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**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.

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**Habitat for Humanity** – Church member, Leslie Neugebauer, made a presentation about Cedar Valley Habitat for Humanity during the worship services on April 26. She lifted up various ways to get involved. These ways include volunteering on a construction site, serving on a committee, advocacy, sponsorship, or In-Kind donations. For more information about ways to assist, please call (319) 366-4485.

**Matthew 25 Transform Week** – This year, Matthew 25 will host the 11<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:lminor@imonmail.com) or (319) 310-1945.

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**Lovely Lane Preschool** – reached their goal for receipts collected towards the Hy-Vee Cash 4 Students program. They received \$209,799.39 in Hy-Vee receipts which raised \$1,048.99 for preschool program. Receipts dated April 1, 2026, through March 31, 2027, can now be submitted towards the next year. Thank you to all who have submitted Hy-Vee receipts!

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**Friendly Fellowship** will **NOT** meet in May, because of the Memorial Day Weekend. Please watch for future announcements regarding upcoming Friendly Fellowship potluck lunches.

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**All Youth Co-op Students** please join us as we celebrate the end of the school year with a fun night at the Fun Station. Please bring a friend and be ready for a great time together. **Wednesday, May 20, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm** at the Fun Station, 8920 Brighton Way SW, Cedar Rapids, IA. The cost will be \$20.00 which should be presented to one of the youth leaders. Bring additional cash for snacks, grip socks (or \$4.50 to purchase grip socks at the Fun Station) and your friends.

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### Graduation Receptions –

The family of Carly Giddings-Arp invite you to her graduation reception on **Monday, May 25 from 9:00 am to noon** which will be held here at Lovely Lane in the Fellowship Hall. Congratulations to Carly!

The family of Isaac Schneider invite you to his graduation reception on **Saturday, May 23, from 1:00 to 4:00 pm** which will be held here at Lovely Lane in the Fellowship Hall. Congratulations to Isaac!

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## This Week at Lovely Lane

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### Ministry Opportunities

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#### Sunday – May 17 – Graduation Sunday

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

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#### Monday – May 18

6:30 PM Scouting America (Fellowship Hall)

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#### Tuesday – May 19

9:00 AM Food Insecurity Team (Library)

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#### Wednesday – May 20

2:00 PM Shepherds (Library)  
6:00 PM Youth Group  
7:15 PM Bells Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

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#### Thursday – May 21

4:00 PM Green Square Meals  
6:00 PM Health & Wholeness (Fellowship Hall)  
6:00 PM Finance (Fireside Room)  
7:00 PM Ad Council (Library)

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#### Friday – May 22

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#### Saturday – May 23

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#### Sunday – May 24 – Pentecost Sunday – Summer Hours Begin

9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
9:30 AM Worship in-person & livestream  
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.



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## Assisting in Worship – May 17, 2026

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### Greeters

8:30 am – Scott & Terrie Seibert  
10:30 am – Teri Krumm & Lyn Lewis

### Lector

8:30 am – Travis Meiborg  
10:30 am – Judy McDowell

### Ushers

8:30 am – Travis Meiborg & Kathy Meiborg  
10:30 am – Anne Craig, Andy Craig, & Chris Johnson

### Acolyte

10:30 am – Natalie Krumm

### Preacher

Pastor Scott Meador

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## Lovely Lane UMC Staff

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### 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

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### Church Office Hours

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

Office Phone (319) 393-6674

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Do you have questions about your will or future plans? Through *Our Gift to You*, the Iowa Methodist Foundation offers estate planning guidance in partnership with *Thompson & Associates*, a national leader in estate planning services. Participants meet with experienced attorney, *Johni Hays*, either virtually or in person, to create an estate plan tailored to their goals. After an initial session, you can decide whether to continue the process, which typically includes an additional 5-6 monthly meetings. (cont. . . )

There is **no cost to participate and no obligation to include a charitable gift**. This program is simply our way of helping you gain clarity, confidence, and peace of mind as you plan for the future. Get Started today: [email\\_info@iumf.org](mailto:email_info@iumf.org) to schedule your first meeting.

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