

ANNOUNCEMENTS

August 30, 2026, updated

JOYS

- *Opportunities to join the chancel choir and bell choir this fall
- *Upcoming silent auction sponsored by the United Women in Faith
- *Karon Niebuhr with encouraging news for friends experiencing health issues
- *Families benefiting from food donations from Everyone's Ample Table (EAT)
- *Fair Trade and Eco-Friendly items for sale after worship
- *Fellowship with the Fifth Sunday of the month potluck
- *Happy birthday to Belinda Muller
- *Invitation to participate in the Academy for Spiritual Formation
- *Pastor Alecia and Todd with vacation time coming up
- *Pastor Scott travelling to Baltimore to visit historic Lovely Lane Church

CONCERNS

- *Mike Nesslage with upcoming shoulder replacement surgery
- *Volunteers needed to assist with coffee set-up and cleanup this fall
- *Sympathy to Carla Jesse and family after the passing of cousin, Max
- *Country of Nepal with significant flooding (UMCOR offering on 9/6)
- *National and international concerns

Fifth Sunday Potluck August 30 after Worship. Please bring a dish to share and your own table service. This is a great time for Fellowship as we think about Fall and upcoming events. Drinks will be provided.

Summer/Fall Worship Schedule – We will return to our regular worship schedule on **Sunday, September 13** with two services at 8:30 and 10:30 am. We will continue with the summer worship schedule with one service at 9:30 am through Sunday, September 6.

Kid's Club and Sunday School – will be starting up again soon. Kid's Club will begin on **Wednesday, September 9** and Sunday School will begin on **Sunday, September 13**.

Youth Group – will be starting back on **Wednesday, September 9** at St. Paul's UMC. Families can meet at Lovely Lane for the family meal. At 6:00 Kim Moore and Ben Swan will be able to transport the youth, if they need a ride. The youth can be picked up at St. Paul's at 7:30 pm. Please let Kim Moore know if you have any questions or concerns.
kimm@lovelylane.org.

Pastor Scott's Study Groups – will start again on **September 9**. The morning group will continue to meet on Zoom at 9:30 am. The evening group will gather in the library at 6:00 pm. The study book we will look at is *Jesus is Lord: Living in the Lordship of Christ*. The author is Bishop Tom Berlin. Books will be available soon in the church office. All are welcome!

Women's Study Group – will begin on **Wednesday, September 9** in the Fireside Room at **12:00 pm**. This will be a study on prayer. There will not be a book to purchase. Please come and be prepared to spend time in prayer during the hour. Please contact Annie Walker with any questions,
anniew@lovelylane.org.

Bell Choir (AcabeLLa) will resume rehearsals **Wednesday September 9th at 7:15 pm**. If you are interested in ringing with the choir, please contact Charlie Kucera
charlie.kucera@lovelylane.org or come to rehearsal. Looking forward to seeing you all again!

Men's Breakfast – the next gathering will take place on **Saturday, September 12, at 8:30 am**. John Swanson will make a presentation regarding his recent overseas trip.

Chancel Choir - first rehearsal is **Sunday, September 13th at 9:00 am** in the Choir Room. All are invited to join!

Fall Kick-off – The youth Co-Op is a safe, welcoming, and collaborative youth ministry for students in grades 6 – 12th. Our current partner churches are Lovely Lane, St. Paul's, and Trinity St. James UMC. Please join us for a Fall Kick-off on **Sunday, September 13, at 3:00 pm** at Ellis Park. We will meet at the Pool Pavilion from 3:00–4:30 pm for an afternoon of snacks, fun, games, and time together. Come hang out, reconnect, and kick off the new school year with us!

Five Day Academy for Spiritual Formation - The Academy offers five days to rest into God, listen deeply, and recover holy rhythms with companions on the journey. The time together runs from October 18-23 at Wesley Woods Camp & Retreat Center in Indianola. Participants will gather for a monastic-patterned retreat of worship, teaching, silence, and community practices. More information is on the conference website, www.iaumc.org. The Rev. Rose Blank is one of the leaders too. You can also reach her for further information, rose.blank3@gmail.com.

United Women in Faith – will be starting up programs and activities in September. The first event will be a Silent Auction which has been rescheduled from September to October. They will be asking church members and small businesses in the community to donate a basket to be auctioned as a fundraiser for Lovely Lane missions and United Women in Faith missions. More information to be coming soon.

This Week at Lovely Lane

Ministry Opportunities

Sunday – August 30 – *Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

Fair Trade Sale in the Fellowship Hall

9:30 AM Worship in-person & livestream
10:45 AM 5th Sunday Potluck in Fellowship Hall
12:00 PM Congolese congregation

Monday – August 31

6:30 PM Scouting America (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday – September 1

Wednesday – September 2

Thursday – September 3

Friday – September 4

Saturday – September 5

Sunday – September 6 – *Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

9:30 AM Worship in-person and 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.



Worship Servant Signup – Over the last year we converted to a physical signup sheet in the narthex for signing up for worship servant opportunities on Sundays at worship service. This process has proved to work out very well. If you are interested in serving as a Lector, Greeter or Usher please stop at the desk near the church office and choose a date and time that works well for you. We appreciate all of our worship servants and volunteers! We can't do our ministries without your help! If you are not able to sign up in the church narthex, please reach out to Tammy Martin by email, tammym@lovelylane.org.

Assisting in Worship – August 30, 2026

Greeters

John & Bobbie O'Bryon, Chris Johnson

Lector

Travis Meiborg

Usher

Travis Meiborg & Kathy Meiborg

Acolyte

Brinley Bentley

Preacher

Pastor Alecia Hilmer

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
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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