

ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the week of Nov. 22nd

Prayer Concerns:

*Andy & Mary Vorwerk & family – death of his sister Jan; her funeral was in Burlington on Thursday
*The killings by terrorists in Paris, France, and the deaths of innocents everywhere

Joy:

*Good Church Conference last Sunday preceded by a delicious lunch featuring a variety of soups & salads

Decorating the Church - TODAY

Please join us after 10:30 AM worship **today** as we decorate the church for Advent and Christmas! Everyone is welcome - children, youth, and adults of all ages! There is a potluck prior to the decorating, but don't fret if you didn't bring anything - there's always more than enough to go around! Let's **Decorate the Halls** together!!



UMW'S BAKE SALE is **TODAY** between worship services. Sale proceeds will help support UMW's mission projects.

This is a good time to pick up some delicious baked goods. (and bring some to today's potluck if you wish!)

BLUE ZONE SAYS: Get wise about your eyes. Go online to www.mayoclinic.org/tests-procedures/eye-exam/basics/why-its-done/prc-20014417 and you can learn when to have an eye exam. Making a visit to the eye doctor at the right time means that he or she will have the chance to find any problems early on, when they're most treatable.

ADVENT DEVOTIONALS are available on one of the long tables at the back of the sanctuary. Pick up your free copy (1 per family) of *Advent—A Calendar of Devotions 2015* by Nell Mohney.

CHURCH CONFERENCE 2015: If you missed our annual Church Conference last Sun. (*A Piece of the Puzzle*), you may want an information packet shared @ the event. Packets are on a table at the back of the sanctuary.
Also – in the narthex, be sure to check out both sides of the completed "Hands of Jesus" puzzle to see how you and LLUMC are serving Christ!

NEW MEMBER CLASS COMING! If you're interested in learning more about Lovely Lane and church membership, please sign up on the STUB and Pastor Gayle will contact you. The next set of 2 required classes will be on Sunday, Jan. 24, 2016, at 9:15 & 11:30 AM - child care and lunch will be provided!

LOOKING FOR 9:15 LECTORS: If you'd like to be on the list to read scripture in 9:15 AM worship, please contact Dee Lubahn (coreysangel07@yahoo.com). Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve in this way!

THE ANGEL TREE is now up and *decorated*. Church members who take an angel tag should return the gifts **unwrapped** with the corresponding tag to LL **by Sunday, Dec. 13th**. Thanks for helping these children feel the love of Jesus at Christmas in a tangible way!

Poinsettias for the Sanctuary

You may bring in your Christmas poinsettia(s) for the altar any time during Advent (begins Nov. 29th this year). You will want the perfect one to honor or remember a loved one. Be sure to write your name and the name(s) of the person(s) to be commemorated on the poinsettia sign-up sheet in the narthex.



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PLANS are progressing for Sunday, Dec. 13th, during 9:15 worship. *The First Christmas* is based on scripture from the Gospels of Luke and Matthew. The story will be presented in pictures taken in various locations during November. Those pictures plus songs, scripture, and narration will be used to tell the wonderful news of Jesus' birth.

SO, WHO WANTS TO BE IN THE PICTURES? We need kids costumed and posed as Mary, Joseph, Augustus Caesar, shepherds, angels including Gabriel, King Herod, 3 kings, and an innkeeper and his wife. If your child/ren wish to participate, sign the STUB or contact Mrs. G (christianedu@lovelylane.org or 393-6674) or Carla Jesse (campcarlaj@yahoo.com). All of our children's Sunday School classes will sing during the program.

A COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE is being held tomorrow, Nov. 23, @ 7:15 PM, at the Islamic Center (2999 1st Ave. SW, CR). Metro H.S. principal Dr. Carlos Grant will speak on *Gratitude & Hope in Violent Times*.

MERCY'S LOVE LIGHTS OPEN HOUSES are on Mon. and Tue., Dec. 7 & 8, 5:00-7 PM, at the Dennis & Donna Oldorf Hospice House of Mercy (315 18th Ave., Hiawatha). *Love Lights* is an adored holiday tradition at the Hospice House – a time to reconnect as we celebrate your loved one's legacy.

YOU'RE INVITED TO AN ANNUAL COOKIE WALK @ St. Mark's UMC on Sat., Dec. 12, 8 AM-Noon. They'll have cookies, candies, breads, jams, and novelty items for sale. (St. Mark's is located @ 4700 Johnson Ave. NW, CR.)

REMEMBERING OUR CHILDREN CANDLELIGHT VIGIL is on Sunday, Dec. 13, @ 7 PM at Marion First United Methodist Church (8th Ave. & 12th St.). At this hour-long memorial service, each family may light a candle in honor of the memory of their beloved child. You may also bring a photo of your child to place on the table by 6:45 PM AND/OR bring an angel ornament to hang on the tree during the service. For your child's picture to be displayed on the screen (with a brief message), submit it by Nov. 29 to Amy T. (319-432-1911; kamktersinar@gmail.com) or Heidi B. (319-393-8000; hbenson@CedarMemorial.com). For more information, go to www.CedarMemorial.com/remembering.

THIS WEEK AT LOVELY LANE

Ministry Opportunities

Events in Bold Face = everyone * = childcare

SUNDAY — Nov. 22 *Thanksgiving Sunday*

- 8:00 AM **Worship*** – Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM **Fellowship*** – Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Chancel Choir – Choir Room
- 9:00 AM UMW Bake Sale – Narthex
- 9:15 AM **Worship*** – Sanctuary
- 9:15 AM **Adult Sunday School***
- 9:15 AM **Children's Sunday School***
- 10:30 AM **Worship*** – Sanctuary
- 10:45 AM **Children's Sunday School** – Fellowship Hall
- 12:00 PM Potluck Lunch – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
- 1:00 PM Decorating the church – Sanctuary, Fire-side & Narthex
- 6:00 PM Sr. High Youth Group – Fellowship Hall & Youth Room

MONDAY — Nov. 23

- 9:00 AM ESL (English as a Second Language) – Lib.
- 9:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry – Study
- 9 AM–Noon CWM Preschool Thanksgiving Feast – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
- 6:00 PM Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY — Nov. 24

- 9 AM–Noon CWM Preschool Thanksgiving Feast – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
- 3:30 PM Lego Robots – Youth Room
- NO** Evening Women's Study

WEDNESDAY — Nov. 25

- NO** Noon Women's Study
- NO** Wed. evening activities

THURSDAY — Nov. 26 *Happy Thanksgiving!* *(church & office closed)*

FRIDAY — Nov. 27 *(church & office closed)*

SATURDAY — Nov. 28

SUNDAY — Nov. 29 *First Sunday in Advent*

- 8:00 AM **Worship*** – Sanctuary
- 9:00 AM **Fellowship*** – Fellowship Hall
- 9:00 AM Chancel Choir – Choir Room
- 9:15 AM **Worship*** – Sanctuary
- 9:15 AM **Adult Sunday School***
- 9:15 AM **Children's Sunday School***
- 10:30 AM **Worship*** – Sanctuary
- 10:45 AM **Children's Sunday School** – F'ship Hall
- NO** Senior High Youth Group

Nov. 22, 2015

Serving at Worship...

Preacher

All services.....Pastor Gayle Wilcox

Liturgist

All services.....Pastor Paul Wilcox

Lectors

8:00.....Barb Waterhouse-Miller
10:30.....Justin Gehrts

Greeters

8:00.....Becky & Joe Helle
9:15.....Mike & Pam Morris
10:30.....Cindy & Jeff Linder

Ushers

8:00.....Phil & Shirley Martin
9:15.....Mike & Pam Morris
10:30.....Susan Camp, Dean Jackson, Harry Widmer & friend

Acolytes

8:00.....*Ushers*
9:15.....Levi Heskje
10:30.....Alaina Mason & Seth Woods

Staff

Lead Pastor.....Paul Wilcox
Associate Pastor.....Gayle Wilcox
Office Manager.....Sue Moss
Director Children's Weekday Min.....Carolyn Barnes
Youth Director/Kids' Club.....Jenny Seylar
Christian Educator.....Barb Geissinger
Choir Director.....K. Weiler
Organist.....Dennis Ramsey
Children's Choirs.....Carla Jesse
Director of Handbells.....Gayle Wilcox
Nursery Team.....Shelbie Wood, Tara Weber, Holly Hasenbank, & McKenna Woods
Wedding Coordinator.....Becky Wood
Custodians.....Rex, Rhonda, & Jessica Heasty
Audio/Visual Coordinator.....Eric Wylie
Webmaster.....Shelly Turner
Treasurer.....Marcie Stumpf

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Presence at worship: Sunday, Nov. 15th
52 (8:00), 54 (9:15) & 105 (10:30), Total = 211

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October Financial Totals

Cash inflow – mo. of Oct.	\$ 47,015
Budget need/month	\$ 46,650
Cash inflow – YTD	\$426,751
Cash outflow – mo. of Oct.	\$ 39,449
Cash outflow – YTD	\$427,300
<i>Unpaid bills</i>	<i>\$ 30,936</i>