

ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the week of Nov. 29th



Poinsettias for the Sanctuary

You may bring in your Christmas poinsettia(s) for the altar any time during Advent (11/29 – 12/24). You'll 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 on one of the long tables in the narthex.

Prayer Concerns:

*Chris McCord's father passed away on 11/20 in Tennessee where the family is gathered; Chris & his wife, Rita, and their family are newer members of LL

*Those going thru the holidays for the 1st time without that special loved one

*Service men and women not able to come home

Joys:

*Lots of folks enjoyed a great potluck and then stayed to decorate the church last Sunday – thanks to all!!

*Our UMW had an excellent bake sale last Sunday as well – selling all of their items!!

*Great, well-attended interfaith Islamic service on 11/23

BLUE ZONE SAYS: Do some jumping jacks today.

They will get your heart pumping and inject a bit of energy in your day as well as strengthening your legs.

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.

THE ANGEL TREE is up and *decorated* in the narthex. Church members who take an angel tag should return the gifts **unwrapped** with the corresponding tag to LL **by Friday, Dec. 11th**. Thanks for helping these children feel the love of Jesus at Christmas in a tangible way!

UMW'S ADVENT COFFEE is this Saturday @ 9:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. This year's theme is *Finding Joy!* Join us for coffee, treats, fellowship, and Christmas carols!

A CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT EXCHANGE & DINNER, sponsored by our UMW, will be held on Tues., Dec. 14th, at 6 PM at the Casa Las Glorias Restaurant at 2245 Blairs Ferry Rd. NE. Sign up on the STUB if you'd like to attend!

"CHANGE A CHILD'S STORY": READY TO READ? JOIN US! In response to the Iowa UMC's Poverty Initiative, Lovely Lane will read 2,500 hours and give away 2,500 books to children. We began the fun last summer and invite you to join us by reading 20-30 minute sessions (1 or more) beginning the 4th week in January. We need readers for Johnson School, Pierce Elem. School, Lovely Lane Pre-school, and Lovely Lane's Before and After School program. We'll contact you, set the schedule, equip you with books, and *off you'll go!* Thanks for volunteering! (Commitments can be monthly or more frequent.) Sign up on the STUB!

NEW MEMBER CLASS COMING! If you're interested in learning more about Lovely Lane and church membership, sign up on the STUB and Pastor Gayle will contact you. The next set of 2 required classes will be on Sun., Jan. 24 '16, at 9:15 & 11:30 AM - child care and lunch provided!

LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL 9:15 LECTORS: If you'd like to be on the list to read scripture in 9:15 AM worship, contact Dee Lubahn (coreysangel07@yahoo.com).

LOOKING FOR HEALTH & WHOLENESS COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2016:

Some of the activities of the H&W committee include sponsoring the Women's Day Out, the Heart Healthy Brunch, educational presentations, and teams for some of the fundraising races. If you would like to hear more about the committee, please sign up on the STUB and someone will contact you. Thank You!

COME CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS!! Iowa's own pianist, Jim McDonough, will present two very special holiday solo concerts on Friday, Dec. 4th (7 PM) and Saturday, Dec. 5th (1 PM) @ St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Seating is General Admission, with doors opening one hour before the performances. Tickets are \$25 in advance or \$35 at the door. For more information and to buy tickets, call 362-7966 or stop in at the parish office (120 Fifth St. NW; hours are 9-4 M-F & 9-Noon Sat.) St. Patrick's Church is located at 500 First Ave. NW, CR. *This will be his only Christmas performance this season!*

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 Saturday, 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., Marion). 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. 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

MONDAY — Nov. 30

- 9:00 AM ESL (English as a Second Language) – Lib.
- 9:00 AM Prayer Shawl Ministry – Study
- 9 AM-Noon CWM Preschl. Christmas Store – F'ship Hall
- 6:00 PM Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY — Dec. 1

- 9 AM-Noon CWM Preschl. Christmas Store – F'ship Hall
- 3:30 PM Lego Robots – Youth Room
- 6:45 PM Women's Study – Library

WEDNESDAY — Dec. 2

- 9 AM-Noon CWM Preschl. Christmas Store – F'ship Hall
- 9:30 AM Care Center Ministry (offsite)
- 12:00 PM Women's Study – Library
- 4:50 PM Youth Bells – Sanctuary
- 5:30 PM Family Meal – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
- 6:00 PM Kid's Club – FH, Rms. 204, 103 & 101
- 6:00 PM M.S. Youth / Confirmation – Yth. Rm. / 202
- 6:00 PM Disciple IV – Library
- 6:00 PM Campaign Feasibility Committee Presentation – Sanctuary

THURSDAY — Dec. 3

- 9 AM-Noon CWM Preschl. Christmas Store – F'ship Hall
- 3:30 PM Lego Robots – Youth Room
- 5:30 PM S.O.S. – Library
- 6:45 PM Handbells – Sanctuary

FRIDAY — Dec. 4

- 9:00 AM ESL (English as a Second Language) – Lib.

SATURDAY — Dec. 5

- 9:00 AM International Ladies Fellowship – Library
- 9:30 AM UMW Advent Coffee – Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM Children's Christmas Program practice – Sanctuary

SUNDAY — Dec. 6 *Second 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
- 6:00 PM Sr. High Youth Group – FH & Youth Rm.

Nov. 29, 2015

Serving at Worship...

Preacher

All services.....Pastor Paul Wilcox

Liturgist

All services.....Pastor Gayle Wilcox

Lectors

8:00.....Marilyn Goodman
9:15.....Heather Hingtgen
10:30.....Bruce Nesmith

Greeters

8:00.....Duane & Mary Abbey
9:15.....Heather & Terry Hingtgen
10:30.....Megan & Nick Schmitt

Ushers

8:00.....Joel & Marilyn Goodman
9:15.....Heather & Terry Hingtgen
10:30.....Rich & Kim Currie, Dulcie & Rosie Lauritsen

Acolytes

8:00.....*Ushers*
9:15.....Justin Hingtgen
10:30.....Jared & Jay Lauritsen

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. 22nd
63 (8:00), 76 (9:15) & 201 (10:30), Total = 340

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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
Unpaid bills \$ 30,936