

ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the week of Dec. 10th



Concerns:

- *Don Esker – recovering from knee surgery
- *Paul & Dawn Nylin – Paul had a heart stent put in on 12/4; decisions are being made re the next step of his recovery
- *Kay Rath – underwent a successful surgery on 12/4 to assist with her recovery process
- *Patty Logsdon's Aunt Doris - in palliative care @ Quincy hosp.
- *Cathy Weber's daughter-in-law - broke her ankle, has small children at home, & is in the midst of Christmas responsibilities
- *Eric, Amy, Mallory, & Kepler Engelmann left on 12/8 for an 8-mo. trip around the world, a trip that has been in planning for 7 years. Amy (teacher) will be *home schooling* the kids (8th & 5th grades) as they learn about God's amazing and diverse world! Prayers for safe journeys and many God sightings!!

Joys:

- *30+ women had a wonderful time at our UMW's Advent Coffee on 12/2, entertained by some special musical guests
- *ALL Angel Tree tags have now been taken; thank you!!



SHOWER THE BAILEYS WITH LOVE! Teresa and Mike Bailey are newer LLUMC members. Their daughter, Skylar Martino, who has severe autism, recently had a very extensive spinal fusion surgery at the U of I's Children's Hospital. The surgery went well and now the recovery begins! Let's send our greetings to Skylar and family (2508 Falcon Dr. NE CR 52402) to cheer and support them! Family includes older brother Dominic and younger brothers Tyler, Logan, and Michael. Thanks!

CHRISTMAS CARD SHOWER: Let's pass on Christmas cheer *and* our thanks to our Children's Weekday Ministry Staff with a card shower! Our preschool teachers @ Lovely Lane, Trinity Lane, and our Before & After School program staff do a wonderful job of loving and caring for our children. Now it's our turn to show them some love! Send your cards to CWM, 2424 42nd St. NE, CR 52402 or drop them @ the church office.



UMW ORNAMENT EXCHANGE DINNER is @ 6 PM this Tues., Dec. 12th, at Vito's on 42nd St. Call Nancy Miller at 393-6340 for a reservation OR sign up on the bulletin STUB **TODAY**.

FAITH ISSUES CLASS IN JANUARY: On the 4 Sundays in January (1/7-1/28), Gary Bowes will lead a 4-week course using the book *Chosen? Reading the Bible Amid the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict*. The book explores the claim and problem of being God's chosen, the *holy* land, and Zionism.

FAIR TRADE GIFTS FROM SERRV may be bought year-round @ the Ecumenical Center (601 Second Ave. SE, CR). The SERRV Shop is open on Wednesdays, 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM. Otherwise, you may make an appointment by calling Karen @ 396-4798 or by leaving a message with *Helping Hands*, 366-2651.

2017 Advent Offering Recipients

Mobility Worldwide: Their mission is to provide mobility for all of God's children in need. A PET is a 3-wheeled durable mobility chair powered by a hand crank or pulled by another person. The project was born in 1995 when a missionary noticed the lack of sturdy mobility devices for amputees and persons with disabilities in developing countries.

Water @ Work: In the Dominican Republic, 1 million+ people struggle to obtain affordable, clean water. Due to frequent flooding and earthquakes, clean water is rarely found there naturally. Water @ Work's long term goal is to help transform the D.R. so all residents have clean water for drinking and hygiene.

HACAP: An important HACAP program we continue to support is Operation Backpack. In E. Central IA, 1 in 7 children are at risk for hunger or food insecurity. OBP addresses this concern by providing needy students with nutritious easy-to-prepare food when other food resources may not be available, specifically on weekends and during school vacations.

Willis Dady Homeless Shelter: For >30 yrs., DHS has been serving single men and families with the mission of providing shelter and prevention services to homeless and near homeless. Their goal is to empower clients to break the cycle of homelessness and become self-sufficient. Their current capital campaign is raising money to enlarge the facility.



BRING IN YOUR CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA for the altar any time during Advent to honor or remember a loved one. Be sure to write your name and the name of the person to be commemorated on the poinsettia sign-up sheet in the narthex.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR DEC. 24TH WORSHIP -

Sun. Morning Worship @ 9:30 AM:

One All-Together Service

Christmas Eve Worship:

5 PM Family-friendly Worship

7 PM Traditional Worship with Choir

9 PM Blended Worship with Communion

Candlelight at all services!

New Year's Eve Sunday (12/31) Morning Worship:

9:30 AM One All-Together Service

LOOKING FOR SOMEWHERE TO CELEBRATE NEW YEAR'S EVE? Would you be interested in getting together

@ church for a New Year's Eve Family Game Night Party from 6 to 8 PM on Dec. 31st? Sign up on the STUB if you'd attend and, if there's enough interest, we'll plan a party! *Health & Wholeness*

END-OF-YEAR GIVING: Please prayerfully consider making an additional, tax-deductible gift(s) to our *Blessed to be a Blessing* campaign, now on Phase 2: Mortgage Elimination. Per Finance, the church budget is in good shape going into 2018, allowing additional year-end gifts to go to the campaign. In addition to cash gifts, consider donating appreciated stocks, which benefits both the church and the giver.

THIS WEEK AT LOVELY LANE

Ministry Opportunities

Events in Bold Face = everyone * = childcare

SUNDAY — Dec. 10 *2nd Sunday in Advent*

8:00 AM **Traditional Worship*** – Sanctuary
9:00 AM **Fellowship*** – Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM Chancel Choir – Choir Room
9:15 AM **Guitar Service*** – Sanctuary
9:15 AM **Adult Sunday School**
9:15 AM Children's Sunday School
10:30 AM **Traditional Worship*** – Sanctuary
10:45 AM Children's Sunday School
6:00 PM Senior High Youth Group – Fellowship Hall, Kitchen & Youth Room

MONDAY — Dec. 11

11:30 AM Happy Endings (lunch, offsite)
- - (*Tai Chi is taking a break in Dec. & on Jan. 1st*)
6:30 PM Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY — Dec. 12

6:00 PM Ornament Exchange Dinner (@ Vito's)
6:30 PM Mental Health Support Group – Study
6:45 PM Women Of Faith (WOF) – Library

WEDNESDAY — Dec. 13

12 Noon Wed. Women & the Word (WWW) – Library
4:50 PM Zamar – Sanctuary
5:30 PM Family Meal – Fellowship Hall/Kitchen
6:00 PM Kids' Club – Fellowship Hall et al.
6:00 PM Middle School Youth & Confirmation
6:00 PM Adult Explo – Fireside
7:30 PM SPPRC – Library

THURSDAY — Dec. 14

----- NO Yoga
6:30 PM Missions – Library
6:45 PM AcabeLLa – Sanctuary

FRIDAY — Dec. 15

SATURDAY — Dec. 16

9-11 AM Practice for Children's Christmas Program – Sanctuary

SUNDAY — Dec. 17 *3rd Sunday in Advent*

8:00 AM **Traditional Worship*** – Sanctuary
9:00 AM **Fellowship*** – Fellowship Hall
9:15 AM **Children's Christmas Program*** – Sanctuary
9:15 AM **Adult Sunday School**
9:15 AM Children's Sunday School
10:00 AM Chancel Choir – Choir Room
10:30 AM **Traditional Worship*** – Sanctuary
10:45 AM Children's Sunday School
6:00 PM Senior High Youth Group – Fellowship Hall, Kitchen & Youth Room

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Serving at Worship...

Greeters

8:00.....Joe & Becky Helle
9:15.....Andy Vorwerk & Scott Seibert
10:30.....Jeff & Cindy Linder

Ushers

8:00.....Joel & Marilyn Goodman
9:15.....Andy Vorwerk & Scott Seibert
10:30.....John & Nancy Hinkel, Barb Mussman

Acolytes

8:00.....Ryan Stumpf
9:15.....Emma Herold
10:30.....Brooke & Morgan Johnson

Lectors

8:00.....Lyn Lewis
9:15.....Hannah Herold
10:30.....Marge Morris

Liturgist

All.....Pastor Gayle Wilcox

Preacher

All.....Pastor Paul Wilcox

Staff

Lead Pastor.....Paul Wilcox
Associate Pastor.....Gayle Wilcox
Office Manager.....Sue Moss
Director-Children's Weekday Min..Carolyn Barnes
Youth Director.....Paul Wilcox
Kid's Club Director.....Julie Meyer
Christian Educator.....Barb Geissinger
Choir Director.....K. Weiler
Choir Assistant / Accompanist.....Reagan Linder
Organist.....Dennis Ramsey
Children's Choirs.....Carla Jesse
Director of Handbells.....Gayle Wilcox
Nursery Team.....Shelbie Wood, Tara Neveu,
Paige Gerjets, & Claire Van Erde-Wyk
Wedding Coordinator.....Becky Wood
Custodians.....Rex, Rhonda, & Jessica Heasty
Audio / Visual Coordinator.....Eric Wylie
Webmaster.....Shelly Turner
Treasurer.....Marcie Stumpf

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Dec. 3rd Worship Attendance:

63 @ 8:00; 78 @ 9:15; 153 @ 10:30 = 294 Total