

ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the week of March 20

Prayer Concerns:

- *Michele Wasta – surgery for hand injury
- *Jim Craig's parents – pray for guidance & peace in dealing with health issues
- *Rex Heasty (LL custodian) & family – death of his father
- *Jackie Schmidt, LL's former CWM director – is in the final stages of cancer; keep her husband, Chuck, and sons, Cody & Dakota, in your prayers as well

Joys:

- *Aurora (Rory) Wood was born to Nick & Shelbie on 3/14
- * Our high school youth & leaders are back from a great mission trip in Benton Harbor, Michigan

OUR CHURCH CONFERENCE on March 6th approved the Renewal Committee's recommendation to raise \$900,000 over 3 years in order to repair and upgrade our flat roof, pay off our mortgage, and make renovations to our Sanctuary, Narthex and Fireside room. The vote was 101 yes, 17 no. We thank everyone for their excellent questions and helpful discussion. As we move forward, let's each be prayerful about how we will respond to this call to action!

MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE: The Thursday before Easter is called Maundy Thursday meaning 'New Commandment' and is remembered and celebrated as the evening Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper before he was arrested and began his final journey to the cross. Jesus instructed us to remember him whenever we eat or drink. Please plan to join us this Thursday, March 24th, at 7 PM for Worship and Holy Communion, the Lord's Supper.

GOOD FRIDAY TAIZÉ SERVICE: On a hill in southern France, you will find a community of brothers that has opened its doors to the world as an act of hospitality since 1940. Today people from around the globe flock to Taizé to carry on the ecumenical worship traditions of prayer, silence, simplicity, and faithfulness. Taizé worship is contemplative, where one encounters God in silence, prayer, scripture, song (chant), icons, and the lighting of candles.

On Good Friday, March 25th, at 7 PM, you are invited to come and experience this powerful worship led by instrumentalists (guitar, flute & piano) and a vocal ensemble. Participating in Taizé worship is an ideal way to mark Good Friday and Christ's suffering and crucifixion.

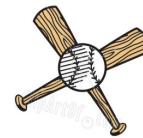


EASTER EGG HUNT—Sat., March 26th, 10:00 - 11:30 AM: Parents will sign in with their kids for AM activities. Crafts will be provided in the Fellowship Hall for all to explore while groups are formed. Preschoolers will hunt first at 10:30 in the fenced playground area; Kindergarten-2nd graders will be sent out to the hill at 10:45 followed by 3rd-5th graders sent out to the lawn at 11. Bring baskets!!!

EASTER SUNDAY, March 27th: Our 8 and 10:30 AM services will be traditional, with our Chancel Choir and adult bell choir providing joyous music. Our 9:15 AM service will feature a play entitled "Jesus Was, Jesus Is" put on by Lovely Lane youth. Everyone is invited to an Easter brunch from 9:00-10:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall.

YOGA CLASSES: Beginning Thursday, April 14, 2016, Lovely Lane will provide yoga from 5-6pm and 6-7pm. The first week we'll learn the basics of chair yoga; then on April 21, we'll learn the basics of level 1 yoga. Please come to both classes. After the initial 2 weeks, we will have a mixed class taught at both level 1 and chair. Classes will be held in the Youth Room; please arrive early to sign in and bring your own yoga mat, small towel, or blanket. Classes will be \$5 each (our instructor is not set up for credit card payments).

"EVERYONE IN THE CIRCLE – Toward a Spirituality of Inclusivity": This Prairiewoods event is on April 8th & 9th (Fri. 7-9 PM & Sat. 9 AM–3:30 PM) @ Mercy Medical Center's Hallagan Education Center (701 Tenth St. SE, CR). Cost of this 2-day conference is \$75 and includes Sat. lunch. (Fri. only is \$25; Sat. w/lunch is \$45.) *For more info. or to register, go to www.Prairiewoods.org or call 395-6700.*



LOVELY LANE SOFTBALL TEAM: Are you interested in swinging a bat for Lovely Lane this summer? Games are on Tuesdays in June and July @ 6 & 7 PM. We need men AND women (childcare provided). You don't have to be Mickey Mantel; this is for fun! Please sign up on the STUB.

"CHANGE A CHILD'S STORY": Lovely Lane is continuing its response to the Iowa UMC's Poverty Initiative (we pledged to read 2,500 hours and give away 2,500 books to children). We are now in need of more readers, specifically for Pierce Elementary School. Sign up on the STUB, where we have listed time slots to choose from.

42ND ST. CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION:

- 42nd St. is now limited to one lane, westbound traffic only from I-380 to Northwood Dr.
- Traffic traveling north & south on Northwood Dr. are still able to turn west onto 42nd St.

The City and its contractor are doing all they can to accelerate construction and get the project done ASAP. To accomplish this, 42nd St. between I-380 and Wenig Rd. will be closed later during the construction season, when school is out of session.

BLUE ZONE SAYS...Take 10 for yourself. Life is busy and stressful. Carve out 10 minutes each day to do something that is just for you that's relaxing. For example, take a walk, call a friend or just close your eyes for 10 minutes and talk to God. Chronic stress can affect your body and mind, so switching it off for even a few minutes can help center you and make you feel calm.

THIS WEEK AT LOVELY LANE

Ministry Opportunities

Events in Bold Face = everyone * = childcare

SUNDAY — March 20 *Palm / Passion Sunday*

8:00 AM **Worship*** – Sanctuary
 9:00 AM **Fellowship*** – Fellowship Hall
 9:00 AM Choir Practice – 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**
 6:00 PM Sr. High Youth Group – Fellowship Hall & Youth Room

MONDAY — March 21

9:00 AM English as a Second Language – Study
 6:00 PM Lenten "John" Study – Library
 6:30 PM Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY — March 22

9:30 AM UMW Bible Study – Fireside
 10 AM-5 PM JFON Office Hours – Fireside
 5:00-8 PM JFON Clinic – Fellowship Hall
 6:45 PM Women's Study – Library

WEDNESDAY — March 23

12:00 noon Women's Study – Library
 4:50 PM Youth Bells – Sanctuary
 5:30 PM Family Meal – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
 6:00 PM Kid's Club – Fellowship Hall, et al.
 6:00 PM Middle School Youth Group – Youth Room
 6:00 PM Confirmation – Room 205
 6:00 PM Adult Explo – Fireside
 6:00 PM Disciple IV – Library

THURSDAY — March 24 *Maundy Thursday*

7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Worship with Holy Communion – Sanctuary

FRIDAY — March 25 *Good Friday*

9:00 AM ESL – Library
 7:00 PM Good Friday Taizé Worship – Sanctuary

SATURDAY — March 26

10-11:30 AM Easter Egg Hunt – Fellowship Hall

SUNDAY — March 27 *Easter Sunday*

8:00 AM **Traditional Worship*** – Sanctuary
 9-10:30 AM **Easter Brunch*** – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
 9:15 AM **Worship w/Youth Easter Play*** – Sanct.
 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**

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Serving at Worship...

Liturgists

All services.....Pastors Gayle & Paul Wilcox

Lectors

8:00.....Maggie Thomas
 9:15.....Marci Wittles
 10:30.....Helen Anderson

Greeters

8:00.....Curt & Maggie Thomas
 9:15.....Pam & Mike Morris
 10:30.....Carol Wishnowski & Reagan Linder

Ushers

8:00.....Joel & Marilyn Goodman
 9:15.....Pam & Mike Morris
 10:30.....John & Nancy Hinkel and Rich & Kim Currie

Acolytes

8:00.....(Ushers)
 9:15.....Levi Heskje
 10:30.....Seth Woods & Kaitlyn Haines

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, & Paige Gerjets
 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, March 13th
 30 (8:00), 64 (9:15) & 138 (10:30), Total = 232

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February Financial Totals

Cash inflow – mo. of Feb.	\$ 42,119
Cash inflow – YTD	\$ 89,782
Budget need/month	\$ 46,863
Cash outflow – mo. of Feb.	\$ 48,153
Cash outflow – YTD	\$ 90,281
Unpaid bills	\$ 0