

ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the week of Jan. 21st

CONCERNS:

- *Richard & Velma Rainville's great niece & family are grieving the death of a newborn due to severe health problems
- *Margaret Nelson's sister, Diane from Pennsylvania, is struggling with Stage 4 pancreatic cancer
- *Marcie Baugh anticipates having surgery on the sacroiliac joint soon; she's currently with dtr. Carol in Johnston but will return to CR for surgery. Her birthday was Jan. 18th and she could use some warm wishes right now!
- *Do Koudelka is having a hard time recovering from an upper respiratory infection
- *Regina Culbertson's dad, Dan Tanksley, is recovering from bypass surgery

JOYS:

- *New member Pam Moore's cardioversion was successful (for heart arrhythmia); we pray for the healing to continue!
- *Last Sunday Martin Wissenberg shared information in worship about Riders Club (manages adult transportation)
- *Trinity Lane Preschool has found a home at St. Ludmila's Catholic Church! Their recently closed parochial school will provide excellent facilities for our Outpost Preschool. This is a *God sighting X 10*, as they're as excited to have their school filled with children as we are to find a new home! Praise God!
- *We made huge progress on the mortgage at the end of 2017, lowering it by \$30,000!

A COVENANT PRAYER IN THE WESLEYAN TRADITION: You may pick up a copy from the table outside the church office of the covenant prayer Pastor Gayle and the congregation read aloud in worship last Sunday, Jan. 14th.

SEE WHERE JESUS WALKED! SEE WHERE JESUS TAUGHT! SEE THE STREETS OF CAPERNAUM! SEE THE WILDERNESS OF JUDEA! Join the Faith Journeys Adult Sunday School Class in a 6-week study entitled *The Way: Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus*. We'll begin TODAY, Jan. 21st, at 9:15 AM in Rm. 205.

UPCOMING FAITH ISSUES TOPICS: On Feb. 4th & 18th, Ron Nelson will lead a discussion entitled *Weird church: welcome to the new forms of church in the 21st century*. Feb. 11th is TBD. On Feb. 25th & March 4th, Jim Loehrlein will lead a discussion of Eastern Spirituality. From March 11th thru the 25th, Cheryl Murphy will be the presenter on the theme of Prayer. Whatever form it takes, prayer is an essential part of the Christian Faith. The Scriptures encourage us to pray; Jesus often took time to pray and instructed His disciples to pray. Thru prayer, we reaffirm our relationship to God and commit ourselves to God's Presence and His Will. Using the study *Concerning Prayer*, we'll look at the meaning of prayer and the place of prayer in your life. We talk with God thru prayer and, if we're to regard prayer as communication, listening to

God is also essential. Most of us know how to pray, but improving our communication skills is important to any relationship and with this study we may find ways to enrich our prayer life, strengthen the body of Christ and draw closer to God.

CHAINSAW TRAINING – SAT., FEB. 10TH: This event, hosted by the E. Central District of the IA UMC, is open to current **AND NEW** chainsaw team members. New members will receive mandatory safety training during the AM and do practical exercises in the PM. If you're new, **you must bring \$20 to cover the cost of a mandatory background check; current and new members need to RSVP to Keith Pitts** (pastorkeithp@gmail.com or 319-361-4255). The event location is 5002 Wagner Rd., Central City - a private farm south of Prairieburg, ~10 mins. from Central City. This site has extensive damage from a tornado, with many opportunities for simple to advanced training. **Bring your own lunch;** a snack and water will be provided. **Safety gear is required: chainsaw helmet, chaps, and boots.** The intent of the training is to practice in *cold* weather in case we're called out following an ice storm – **not** to see how cold we can stand it! So, if there's a winter weather advisory, watch, or warning (snow, ice, windchill) or if the site is buried under deep snow on Feb. 10th, the event will be rescheduled for early March. (A final decision would be made by 1 PM on Feb. 9th.)

NEXT NEW MEMBERS CLASS! Sunday, Feb. 18th, will be the date of our next new members class. If you're interested in learning more about Lovely Lane United Methodist Church, sign the STUB. Pastor Gayle will contact you with the details regarding the 2 required sessions to be held that AM. Attending the class does NOT mandate membership. Inquirers Welcome!



PARKING LOT PRIORITIES: Since there are a number of Lovely Lane members who have limited mobility, if you are able and don't mind a short walk, would you please consider parking farther from the door and allowing those with limited mobility to park closer to the front door? Bless you!!



INCLEMENT WEATHER CANCELLATIONS: If the Cedar Rapids School District cancels classes due to inclement weather, Lovely Lane **church** events/activities will also be cancelled that day. With any specific questions, please call the church office (393-6674) or listen to Option 5 on the answering machine. If Sunday worship is cancelled, the notice should be posted on KCRG-TV (ch. 9).



2017 FINANCIAL REVIEW: Thanks to your generous giving, Lovely Lane finished the year *in the Black*, with all responsibilities met! AND, our carryover to 2018 was even more than we had hoped for!! Thank you for your support and for serving Christ through the ministry of LLUMC!!!

THIS WEEK AT LOVELY LANE

Ministry Opportunities

Events in Bold Face = everyone * = childcare

SUNDAY — Jan. 21st

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 Sr. Hi Yth. Grp. – F. Hall, Kitch. & Yth. Rm.

MONDAY — Jan. 22nd

5:30 PM Tai Chi – Narthex
 6:30 PM Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall

TUESDAY — Jan. 23rd

9:30 AM UMW Bible Study – Fireside
 11:00 AM Shepherd/ess Mtg. - Library
 6:30 PM Missions – Fireside or Fellowship Hall
 6:30 PM Shepherd/ess Mtg. - Narthex
 6:45 PM Women Of Faith (WOF) – Library

WEDNESDAY — Jan. 24th

12 noon Wed. Women & the Word (WWW) – Library
 4:50 PM Zamar – 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 – Youth Room
 6:00 PM Adult Explo – Fireside or Narthex

THURSDAY — Jan. 25th

5:30 PM Yoga – Youth Room
 6:45 PM AcabeLLa – Sanctuary

FRIDAY — Jan. 26th

SATURDAY — Jan. 27th

SUNDAY — Jan. 28th

8:00 AM **Traditional Worship*** – Sanctuary
 9:00 AM **Fellowship*** – Fellowship Hall
 9:00 AM Chancel Choir – Choir Room
 9:15 AM **Traditional Worship*** – 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
 11:45 AM Library Team Lunch Meeting – Library
 6:00 PM Sr. Hi Yth. Grp. – F. Hall, Kitch. & Yth. Rm.

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Serving at Worship...

Greeters

8:00.....Bev & Gene Kadlec
 9:15.....Chad, Julie & Jacey Wall
 10:30.....Megan & Nick Schmitt

Ushers

8:00.....Curtis & Maggie Thomas
 9:15.....Chad, Julie & Jacey Wall
 10:30...Mike & Becky Wood, John & Nancy Hinkel

Acolytes

8:00.....(Ushers)
 9:15.....(Ushers)
 10:30.....Jared Lauritsen & Jaiana Renken

Lectors

8:00.....Jayne Woodson
 9:15.....Courtney Ball
 10:30.....Cheryl Murphy

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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Jan. 14th Worship Attendance:

38 @ 8:00, 64 @ 9:15, 125 @ 10:30 = 227 Total