

ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the week of Feb. 11th

CONCERNS:

- *Marcie Baugh – recovering from surgery
- *Kay Rath – continued health issues
- *Don Sparrow – continued health issues
- *Denise Carnahan's stepdad
- *Kids & adults with Influenza B & other flu or flu-type illnesses (esp. kids home sick from CWM's programs)

JOY:

- *Our **Heart Healthy Brunch** sponsored by Health & Wholeness is TODAY from 9:00 to 10:30 AM



THERE'S A SLEDDING PARTY TODAY for kids of all ages starting @ 11:30 AM (or after church). If you didn't bring your snow gear, you can run home to get it! There'll be sledding on Pierce School's hill along with pizza for lunch and hot chocolate with marshmallows in the Fellowship Hall for warming up between runs. Too cold? We'll have board games to play and Valentine crafts to make as you warm up. Join us!!

CARD SHOWER FOR DON & MARTI SPARROW:

Don remains in MICU @ St. Luke's Unity Point with limited abilities but may be relocated in the hospital OR to a rehab site. After spending her days with him there, Marti's now back to work at St. Luke's part time. At this point, the plan for Don's future care depends on the insurance companies. So, let's keep them both in prayer AND shower them with messages of love and encouragement. Separate cards? Their home address is 95 N. 7th Ave., Hiawatha 52233; the hospital's is St. Luke's Unity Point Hospital, 1026 A Ave., CR 52402.

UPCOMING FAITH ISSUES TOPICS:

- *Today: Discussion on the book: *Agile Church*
- *Feb. 18th: Week 2 of *Weird church: welcome to the new forms of church in the 21st century*, led by Ron Nelson
- *Feb. 25th & March 4th: Eastern Spirituality, led by Jim Loehrlein
- *March 11th-25th: Prayer, led by Cheryl Murphy

Correction to the February newsletter: Faith Issues meets in the Library!



February 14th @ 6:30 PM

Ash Wednesday is this week **on Feb. 14th (Valentine's Day!)** and you're invited to a special youth-led service in the sanctuary at 6:30 PM. A **Pancake Supper** will be held at **5:30 PM** in the Fellowship Hall before worship. Please join us to eat, and then stay for the service!

The Sanctuary for Lent 2018

by Katie Dawson

Treat yourself to something a little different this Lent as you journey with Christ to the Cross.

Enjoy a daily scripture, a thoughtful reflection, and a breath prayer beginning on Ash Wednesday through Easter day.

Breath Prayer:

- *Slowly breathe in as you pray the 1st part of the daily written prayer
- *Breathe out on the 2nd phrase
- *Repeat multiple times
- *Pray your breath prayer throughout your day

Rev. Dawson is the lead pastor at Immanuel UMC in Des Moines, one of our very own!

Be sure to pick up your FREE copy from the table outside the church office.

A FAMILY ENGAGEMENT EVENING, sponsored by Tanager Place, will take place on Thursday, Feb. 22nd, at the downtown CR Library, from 5:30 to 7:00 PM. Join in a fun night to learn about children's health and well-being. You will have an opportunity to attend several break-out presentations, gather information from community agencies, as well as the chance to win many great raffle prizes! On-site child care will be available.

HOPE FOR HARVEY 2018 – July 21-29: Senior High to Senior Citizen, North East and East Central Districts of the Iowa Annual Conference Mission Work Camp, July 21-29, to the Rio Texas Conference of the United Methodist Church to help survivors of Hurricane Harvey. Pick up the *Hope for Harvey 2018* information packets in the narthex.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: If you are looking for a fulfilling opportunity to give back to your community through volunteerism, Mercy Medical Center is looking for you! Whether warming someone's day @ Uncommon Grounds coffee shop, helping long-term care residents enjoy mealtime through the Silver Spoons program, supporting patients and families as an Ambassador, or so much more, every talent has the chance to shine at Mercy-Cedar Rapids. Join Mercy's volunteer team today and help us make every day brighter for patients, visitors, and staff! To learn more or to apply, go to www.mercycare.org/volunteer or call (319) 398-6035.

PARKING LOT PRIORITIES: Since a number of Lovely Laners have limited mobility, if you're able and don't mind a short walk, would you park farther from the door and allow those w/limited mobility to park closer to the front door? Bless you!

A QUOTEWORTHY QUOTE ON LENT

"I imagine Lent for you and for me as a great departure from the greedy, anxious antineighborliness of our economy, a great departure from our exclusionary politics that fears the other, a great departure from self-indulgent consumerism that devours creation. And then an arrival in a new neighborhood, because *it is a gift to be simple, it is a gift to be free; it is a gift to come down where we ought to be.*"

— Walter Brueggemann, *A Way Other Than Our Own: Devotions for Lent*

THIS WEEK AT LOVELY LANE

Ministry Opportunities

Events in Bold Face = everyone * = childcare

SUNDAY — Feb. 11th *Transfiguration Sunday*

- 8:00 AM **Traditional Worship*** – Sanctuary
9-10:30AM **Heart Healthy Brunch*** – F'ship Hall & Kitch.
9:00 AM Chancel Choir – Choir Room
9:00-10 AM SPPRC Pastoral Change Discussion – FH
9:15 AM **Traditional Worship*** – Sanctuary
9:15 AM **Adult Sunday School**
9:15 AM Children's Sunday School
10:15-11 AM SPPRC Pastoral Change Discussion – TBA
10:30 AM **Traditional Worship*** – Sanctuary
10:45 AM Children's Sunday School
11:30-12:30PM SPPRC Pastoral Change Discussion – TBA
6:00 PM Sr. Hi Yth. Grp. – F. Hall, Kitch. & Yth. Rm.

MONDAY — Feb. 12th

- 10:00 AM Happy Endings – Library
5:30 PM Tai Chi – Narthex
6:30 PM Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
6:30 PM Christian Education mtg. – Library

TUESDAY — Feb. 13th

- 9:30 AM UMW Bible Study – Fireside
6:30-8 PM SPPRC mtg. – Youth Room
6:30 PM Mental Health Support Group – Study
6:45 PM Women Of Faith (WOF) – Library

WEDNESDAY — Feb. 14th *Ash Wednesday (St Valentine's Day)*

- 12 noon Wed. Women & the Word (WWW) – Library
4:50 PM Zamar – Sanctuary
5:30 PM Pancake Supper – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen
6:30 PM Ash Wed. Youth-led Worship – Sanctuary

THURSDAY — Feb. 15th

- 5:30 PM Yoga – Youth Room
6:15 PM AcabeLLa – Sanctuary
6:45 PM Trustees – Library
7:00 PM Committee Mtgs. – Fellowship Hall et al.
7:50 PM Ad Council – Library

FRIDAY — Feb. 16th

- 12 noon Friendly Fellowship - F'ship Hall & Kitchen
7-8 PM SPPRC mtg. – Library

SATURDAY — Feb. 17th

- 8:30-11 AM Men's Breakfast – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen

SUNDAY — Feb. 18th *1st Sunday in Lent*

- 8:00 AM **Traditional Worship*** – Sanctuary
9:00 AM **Fellowship*** – Fellowship Hall
9:00 AM Chancel Choir – Choir Room
9:15 & 11:45 New Member Class (2 parts) – Fellowship Hall
9:15 AM **Guitar Service*** – Sanctuary
9:15 AM **Adult Sunday School**
9:15 AM Children's Sunday School
10:30 AM **Blended Worship*** – Sanctuary
10:45 AM Children's Sunday School
6:00 PM Sr. Hi Yth. Grp. – F. Hall, Kitch. & Yth. Rm.

Feb. 11th, 2017

Serving at Worship...

Greeters

- 8:00.....Duane & Mary Abbey
9:15.....Andy & Mary Vorwerk and Mari Lu Smith
10:30.....Marge Morris & Vicki Cangemi

Ushers

- 8:00.....Joel & Marilyn Goodman
9:15.....Andy & Mary Vorwerk and Mari Lu Smith
10:30.....Cindy Rupe, Barb Mussman, Ben & Alisa Oliver

Acolytes

- 8:00.....Ryan Stumpf
9:15.....Abby & Alex Hume
10:30.....Olivia & Isaac Schneider

Lectors

- 8:00.....Marilyn Goodman
9:15.....Marcie Wittles
10:30.....Wanda Whitford

Liturgist

- All.....Pastor Gayle Wilcox

Preacher

- All.....Pastor Paul Wilcox

Staff

- Lead Pastor.....Paul Wilcox
Associate Pastor.....Gayle Wilcox
Office Manager.....Sue Moss
Children's Weekday Min. Director..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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Feb. 4th Worship Attendance:

48 @ 8:00, 55 @ 9:15, 121 @ 10:30 = 224 Total