

ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the week of Feb. 18th

CONCERNS:

- *Family & friends of long-time LL member Kay Rath upon her passing; her funeral was held @ LL yesterday (2/17)
- *Anne Mason – broken ankle
- *Chris Butler & others – living through unemployment/financial stress
- *Jaime Roberts-Butler's mother, Robin – struggling with infection following knee surgery
- *Those affected by the recent Vinton fires

JOYS:

- *LL youth did a great job leading our 2/14 Ash Wednesday service & LL men also did a great job serving up pancakes for supper beforehand
 - *Update on the remaining mortgage balance: the amount due is now down to \$15,182.87!
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UPCOMING FAITH ISSUES TOPICS:

- *Today: Week 2 of *Weird church: welcome to the new forms of church in the 21st century*, led by Ron Nelson
 - *Feb. 25 & March 4: Eastern Spirituality, led by Jim Loehrlein
 - *March 11-25: Prayer, led by Cheryl Murphy
- Feb. newsletter correction:** Faith Issues meets in the Library!
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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 first part of the daily written prayer
- *Breathe out on the second phrase
- *Repeat multiple times
- *Pray your breath prayer throughout your day

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

Pick up a FREE copy from the table outside the church office.

Lovely Lane 2018 Lenten Offering Recipients

Justice For Our Neighbors (JFON) is a ministry of hospitality provided by the IA Annual Conference of the UMC. It provides legal services, advocates to bring change in immigration laws and public policy, and strives to educate immigrant communities on their rights and the complex immigration process.

Africa University is the first and only fully-accredited institution of higher learning established on the African continent by action of The United Methodist Church's General Conference and is a consequence of the growth of United Methodism in Africa. The university's goal is to foster intellectual, moral, ethical and spiritual growth in its students.

The Abbe Center for Community Mental Health serves the mental health needs of low income people in the Linn County area. For over 40 years, it has offered a variety of programs, including outreach to the homeless and the chronically mentally ill.

Trinity Lane Playground Equipment is needed @ our out-post preschool's new site, St. Ludmila's Catholic School, where they will be moving in June. We need to develop an outdoor playground for preschoolers in the new location, including a fence and some new pieces of equipment. Some older equipment will also need to be removed.

Extra Lenten Offering cards may be found in the pews.

GOOD FRIDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE - MARCH 30TH @ 7 PM:

The Tenebrae or *shadows* is a worship service that combines prayer and the commemoration of the passion and crucifixion of Jesus Christ. The most striking feature of this service is the gradual extinguishing of the lights and candles in the sanctuary and on the altar. The dramatic high point occurs with the complete darkness and the loud noise, or *strepitus*, at the death of Jesus. Persons dressed in solemn black attire take turns reading the passion story from the scriptures. Participants will receive a mailing with scripts and instructions. A dress rehearsal will be held one hour prior to the Tenebrae service. Sign up on the STUB if you'd like to be a reader. Contact Pastor Gayle if you have any questions.

FUNERAL LUNCHEON HELP NEEDED: We need additional volunteers to bring a dessert and/or help serve and clean up at funeral luncheons held here at the church. If you're able to help, please sign up on the STUB.

A FAMILY ENGAGEMENT EVENING, sponsored by Tanager Place, takes place on Thurs., Feb. 22nd, at the downtown CR Library, from 5:30 to 7 PM. Join in a fun night to learn about children's health and well-being. You'll 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.



2ND ANNUAL SPRING RETREATS @ Pictured Rocks UM Camp are coming up for youth in grades 3-8:

3rd-5th grade March 10-11, 1 PM-1 PM Cost: \$50
6th-8th grade April 6-8, 7PM-1 PM Cost: \$75

Don't let your kids miss out on this great opportunity for **awesome faith, fun & fellowship!** You can register by E-mailing picturedrocks.camp@iaumc.org. For more information, go to www.picturedrocks.org or call 319-465-4194.

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 with limited mobility to park closer to the front door? God bless you!

THIS WEEK AT LOVELY LANE

Ministry Opportunities

Events in Bold Face = everyone * = childcare

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 **Traditional Worship*** – 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.

MONDAY — Feb. 19th

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

TUESDAY — Feb. 20th

- 9:30 AM UMW Bible Study – Library
10:30 AM-5 PM JFON Office Hours – Fireside
6:45 PM Women Of Faith (WOF) – Library

WEDNESDAY — Feb. 21st

- 9:30 AM Care Center Ministry (offsite)
12:00 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 Confirmation – Library
6:00 PM M.S. Youth – Youth Rm.
6:00 PM Adult Explo – Fireside or Narthex

THURSDAY — Feb. 22nd

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

FRIDAY — Feb. 23rd

SATURDAY — Feb. 24th

- 8 AM-9 PM Kennedy Show Choir using our lot for overflow parking
8:30-11 AM Men's Breakfast (rescheduled) – Fellowship Hall & Kitchen

SUNDAY — Feb. 25th 2nd Sunday in Lent

- 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
6:00 PM Sr. Hi Yth. Grp. – F. Hall, Kitch. & Yth. Rm.

Feb. 18th, 2017

Serving at Worship...

Greeters

- 8:00.....Ron & Margaret Nelson
9:15.....Curt, Lisa & Reid Pakkebieer
10:30.....Karon & Rory Niebuhr

Ushers

- 8:00.....Myrna Loehrlein & Sharon Kouba
9:15.....Curt, Lisa & Reid Pakkebieer
10:30.....John & Nancy Hinkel, Rich & Kim Currie

Acolytes

- 8:00.....(Ushers)
9:15.....Cade Pakkebieer
10:30.....Kiya Hinkel & Rosie Lauritsen

Lectors

- 8:00.....Nancy Miller
9:15.....Brian Steffen
10:30.....Judy McDowell

Liturgist

- All.....Pastor Paul Wilcox

Preacher

- All.....Pastor Gayle Wilcox

Staff

- Lead Pastor.....Paul Wilcox
Associate Pastor.....Gayle Wilcox
Office Manager.....Sue Moss
Children's Weekday Min. Director..Carolyn Barnes
Youth Director.....
Kid's Club Director.....Julie Meyer
Christian Educator.....Barb Geissingering
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. 11th Worship Attendance:

37 @ 8:00, 42 @ 9:15, 110 @ 10:30 = 189 Total