

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Week of Nov. 29, 2020

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## PRAYER CONCERNS:

\*Sympathy to the family of Kim Dao (pronounced "Dow"); the church sponsored him & his family in 1980. They came to the U.S. from Vietnam. His funeral service was on 11/28 at Cedar Memorial.

\*Chris Budny having surgery on 12/15

\*Sophia Meador, & other college students, with COVID

\*Barb Olive's mother hospitalized

\*Pastor Kristina's 90-yr.-old grandmother, Arlene, who lives in a care center in Eagle Grove, IA, tested positive for COVID

\*April Drew's grandpa, Julius, hospitalized with COVID

\*Suzanne Carter's uncle with health concerns

\*Patty Logsdon's best friend, & her husband, in Illinois have COVID

\*All persons impacted by COVID in some way

\*School leaders, teachers, students, & families during this pandemic time

## JOYS:

\*Family time at Thanksgiving

\*Advent activities & study groups at the church

\*Happy 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday to Ryan Roth-Klinck!

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**THIS YEAR'S ANGEL TREE** has been moved to the vestibule by the education wing. You may stop by Mon.-Fri., 8am-5pm, to select a hanging tag (began on Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>). Presents are **due back by Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> and should be left unwrapped** (gift bags welcome!). Please bring your present(s) to the church narthex and leave it/them on or under the long table with the sign on it to the right of the church office.

To pick up a tag(s), you must be let in the outside door by Kim or Dawn in the CWM office. Masks are required to enter the vestibule and the narthex.

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**THE ZOOM STUDY GROUP W/PASTOR SCOTT** will continue to meet on Wednesdays. A new study begins on **Dec. 2 at 9:30 am and 7 pm**. The study will focus on "Christmas in the Four Gospel Homes." Study books are available in the church office at NO cost. All are welcome!

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**NEW ADULT STUDY GROUP:** Retired UMC pastor, the Rev. Steve Pudinski, will lead a new 5-week study, (via Zoom) beginning on **Tuesday, December 1 at 7:00 pm**. The topic will be Adam Hamilton's book - *Incarnation: Rediscovering the Significance of Christmas*. Please contact the church office at 319-393-6674 to sign up and arrange to pick up your book.

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**FAITH ISSUES CLASS** now Zooms every Sunday from 9 to 10 AM. Upcoming topics are:

Dec. 6 - Shhh! Just Listen & Faith and Elections\*

Dec. 13 - Spiritual Maturity & Decision Making on the Spot\*

Dec. 20 - The Radical Center & Messy Spirituality\*

Dec. 27 - Christmas thoughts of the group

(\*from Adam Hamilton's book *Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White*)

## ADVENT 2020 OFFERING RECIPIENTS

**Women At The Well** is a United Methodist congregation located within the walls of the Iowa Correctional Institution for Women, in Mitchellville, IA. It offers ministries designed to: encourage the spiritual growth of its members; assist them when they transition back into the world outside the walls; and better understand the hurts and hopes of those who reside within the institution. LL is a committed partner supporting this ministry.

**Argentina 47** supports the Rev. Doug Williams, a missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church, and pastor relating to the Iowa Annual Conference. Doug serves as pastor and Volunteer-In-Mission promoter of the Evangelical Methodist Church of Argentina. He was commissioned in 2015. Specifically, Doug is pastor of the Mendoza and San Juan Churches in Argentina, as well as an elementary school chaplain, and host for VIM teams.

**HACAP Food Reservoir** is a member of Feeding America, and leads the fight against hunger in E. Central IA by providing food access, advocacy, education, and disaster response. The Food Reservoir programs include: Backpack Program, Mobile Food Pantry, and Senior Totes. The Aug. 10 derecho has and continues to put an enormous burden on the local Food Reservoir.

**UMCOR** responds to natural or civil disasters of such magnitude that they overwhelm a community's ability to recover on its own. When responding to a disaster in the United States, UMCOR provides training, financial assistance, expertise, and community collaboration to churches and partners. During the hurricane season of 2020, our southern states have been especially hard hit. We will designate gifts given be earmarked for local hurricane relief in the affected states.

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**THE BACKPACK FOOD PROGRAM** has been a collaboration between HACAP, Pierce Elementary, and Lovely Lane UMC for many years. Lovely Lane has provided leadership, financial resources, donations from local food manufacturers, and dedicated weekly volunteers who pick up, pack, and deliver food bags to Pierce students. This program is crucial for families that struggle with food scarcity. As with many things this year, the pandemic has required us all to make adjustments. This year, in order to limit exposures and remain healthy and safe, Pierce Elementary will work directly with HACAP to supply nutritious food bags to our students.

Pierce Elementary students have been blessed to have such dedication from Lovely Lane. We hope that in the future, we can return to our volunteer partnership with Lovely Lane.  
*Julie Plante, Pierce Elementary*

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Our finance secretary, Vicki Cangemi, needs volunteers to count money on Monday afternoons beginning at 1:00 PM. Please leave a message at the church for her or send an E-mail to [vickie@lovelylane.org](mailto:vickie@lovelylane.org).

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**CWM PRESCHOOL NEEDS TEACHER ASSISTANT SUBS:** No experience is necessary, but you must love children. The pay rate is \$12/hr., and hours are usually 8:30am-12:30pm. Masks are required to work in the classroom. Please contact Dawn DuPont, Director of Children's Weekday Ministries ([ddupont@lovelylane.org](mailto:ddupont@lovelylane.org)).

## **DIRECTORY CHANGE**

Julie Meyer & Melissa Beaström  
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**LOVELY LANE WORSHIP CONTINUES TO BE LIVE-STREAMED** for the health and safety of all in these challenging times. Join us every Sunday at 10:30 AM (or at a later time; service can be accessed thru a link on our website).

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**PLEASE CONTINUE TO BRING OR MAIL IN YOUR STEWARDSHIP/PLEDGE CARDS FOR 2021!** Thank you for your faithful commitment to Lovely Lane into the future!

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**PLEASE CONTINUE TO GIVE FAITHFULLY** to Lovely Lane. Offerings can be mailed to the church or made online by going to [lovelylane.org](http://lovelylane.org) for giving options. We appreciate your faithfulness in supporting LLUMC's missions and ministries!

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**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**, due to the coronavirus pandemic: Mon.-Thurs., 9 AM–Noon (**ONLY**); **closed** on **Fridays**. Generally, Sue is here Mon. & Weds. AM, and Marti is here Tues. & Thurs. AM. Please call first if you need to stop in during an afternoon.

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## **LOVELY LANE STAFF**

Lead Pastor – Dr. Scott Meador  
Associate Pastor – Rev. Kristina Roth-Klinck  
Senior Office Manager – Sue Moss  
Office Manager – Marti Bowman  
Building Project Manager – Amber Mulnik  
Children's Weekday Ministries Director – Dawn DuPont  
Kid's Club Director – Julie Meyer  
Christian Educator – Barb Geissinger  
High School Youth Director – Ryan Roth-Klinck  
Choir Director – K. Weiler  
Handbell Director – Charlie Kucera  
Organist – Dennis Ramsey  
Children's Choirs – Carla Jesse  
Nursery Team – Shelbie Wood, Tara Neveu & Paige Gerjets  
Wedding Coordinator – Becky Wood  
Custodians – Rex, Rhonda & Jessica Heasty  
Audio / Visual Coordinator – Eric Wylie  
Webmaster – Shelly Turner  
Treasurer – Marcie Stumpf  
Finance Secretary – Vicki Cangemi

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