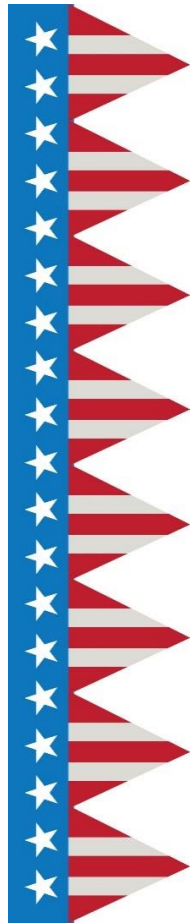


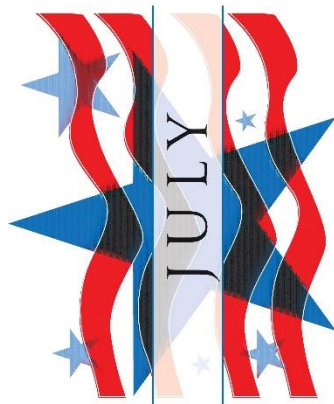
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The Harris & Lake Park United Methodist Churches

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Worship
Harris – 9:00 a.m.
Lake Park – 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School—Sept. – May
Harris – 10:15 a.m.
Lake Park – 9:00 a.m.

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The Connection



July 2017









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Celebrate Independence Day early
at Congregational Picnic July 2nd
Serving 11:30 - 1:00 at LP UMC

Hotdogs ♦ BBQs ♦ Coneys ♦ Chips ♦ Potato Salad
Watermelon ♦ Root Beer Floats

Free-Will Donation for meal
Everyone Welcome
Fund-raiser for 2017 Youth
Mission trip to
Minneapolis



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 4 th Sunday after Pentecost LP UMC Picnic – 11:30 to 1:00 at church Free-will fund-raiser for 2017 youth mission trip	3 NO Coffee & Conversation	4 	5	6	7	1 5 p.m. Saturday Prayer Lake Park UMC <hr/> 8 Erline Blahauvietz 90 th b'day party at Keelson Harbour 2-4
9 5 th Sunday after Pentecost	10	11 Care Center Music 	12	13 7:00 Harris Ad Council	14 Care Center Bingo 	15 9-11 a.m. BABY SHOWER Come & go Baby shower for Beth (Graham) Clarke 5 p.m. Saturday Prayer At LP UMC 
16 6 th Sunday after Pentecost	17 9:00 at LP UMC 	18	19 7:00 LP Ad Council	20	21 	22 5 p.m. Saturday Prayer Lake Park UMC-Come as you are
23 7 th Sunday after Pentecost	24	25	26 7:00 LP Education Committee	27	28	29 5 p.m. Saturday Prayer Lake Park UMC-Come as you are
30 8 th Sunday after Pentecost 	31					



Irene Kruger	H UMC	fragile health
Don Loring	H UMC	hip surgery
Gladys Goodell	LP UMC	knee surgery
Lance Heikens	LP UMC	lung surgery
Lora Goodell	LP UMC	broken leg
Sherry Ahrenstorff	LP UMC	cancer treatments
Tom Kyle	LP UMC	cancer
Winnie Struck	Friend	
(Colleen Griesse's great granddaughter)		
Karen Rehms	LP UMC	fragile health
Rita Reimers	LP UMC	cancer
Shirley Fredericksen	LP UMC	cancer
Garrett Goodell	LP UMC	seizures
Ardyce Rueter		fragile health
(mother of Lori Sheeler and Scott Rueter)		
Dave Lindemann	Friend	fragile health
The men and women in the armed services, their families, and our churches.		



To read Pastor Emmanuel's blog, devotionals, and more, go to www.emmanuelhaweji.com



Dick Read has moved to St. Luke Home in Spencer. His address is:
Dick Read - SCU Rm. 14
1301 St. Luke Drive
Spencer, IA 51301.

We offer our sympathy and our prayers to:

♥ Tracy Bosma and her family on the loss of her grandfather, Wayne Clark. His funeral was May 27 at the Lakefield, MN UMC.



♥ Scott Mitchell and his family on the loss of his mother, Lennace Mitchell Brandt. Burial was in Silver Lake Cemetery following the funeral service on June 13.

♥ LaDean Untiedt and her family on the loss of her mother, Lucille Rush. Her funeral was held at Lake Park UMC on June 16 with burial in Silver Lake Cemetery.

Thank you to everyone for your prayers, cards, and visits while I was in the hospital and during my recovery from hip surgery. Special thanks to Pastor Emmanuel for his prayers and visits also.



Don Loring

Dear Church Family,

It is always such a blessing for me to personally write you a note through our newsletter.

July is a very important month, as we all know it, especially with the celebration of our independence (July 4th). I praise God for who God has made us to be as a country where people experience freedom. Just so you know. I am not yet a U.S. citizen, but this country has been my home for now twelve years. Since 2014, Harris and Lake Park are our home communities. It's so good to be here and partner with you for God's Kingdom.



While you prepare for July 4th and continue to enjoy your vacation or kids' summer activities, I would like you to keep the newsletter with you all the time if you can. The reason for doing so is that our Church's newsletter will help you with the following:

- You become aware of what's going on in the life of our Church.
- You know where you could serve. There is always a ministry need in the Church and community God may have called you to meet. Keep your eyes and ears open to God's Spirit.
- You know people who need your prayers and add them to your prayer list.

"Let us pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding!" (Romans 14: 19)

Happy 4th of July to you and your family!

Pastor Emmanuel

If a care is too small to be turned into a prayer,
it is too small to be made into a burden.

Cast all your care upon him; for he cares for you. 1 Peter 5:7



Harris UMC

	Attendance	Offering
May 28	43	\$1,109.00
June 4	35	1,682.00
June 11	20	156.00
June 18	35	<u>1,132.00</u>
Total		\$4,079.00

Average Weekly Attendance	33
Given to date	\$22,196.83
Pastor's Books	\$67.50
VBS mission project – (Water for Tanzania)	\$928.27
Peace with Justice	\$20.00
Rent	\$40.00

Lake Park UMC

	Attendance	Offering
May 21	101	\$3,302.00
May 28	83	2032.00
June 4	76	3,651.00
June 11	76	<u>2,527.00</u>
Total		\$11,512.00

Average Weekly Attendance	84
Given to date	\$36,890.02
VBS - Water for Tanzania	\$350.00
2017 Mission trip to Minneapolis	\$1,138.00
Harris Reimbursement	\$779.89
Peace with Justice	\$6.00
Haiti 2018 trip	\$546.00

Harris UMC

Ushers Harold Anderson
Steve Bosma
Dean Phillips

Flowers Rachelle Bosma
Irene Kruger

Lake Park UMC

Ushers Lance & Shelley Heikens
Gary & Diane Johnson

Flowers Jennifer K., Jeanine G.

Sunday Bible Readings

July 2 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost
Genesis 22:1-14, Psalm 13
Romans 6:12-23, Matthew 10:40-42

July 9 – 5th Sunday after Pentecost
Genesis 24:34-38, 42-29, 58-67, Psalm 72
Romans 7:15-25a, Matthew 11:16-18, 25-30

July 16 – 6th Sunday after Pentecost
Genesis 25:19-34, Psalm 119:105-112
Romans 8:1-11, Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

July 23 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost
Genesis 28:10-19a, Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24
Romans 8:12-25, Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

July 30 – 8th Sunday after Pentecost
Genesis 29:15-28, Psalm 105:1-11, 45b
Romans 8:26-39, Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52



July 2017

1—Mastor & Lisa Aboamera and family
2—Kim Ahrenstorff and family
3—Bob & Sherry Ahrenstorff
4—Todd & Stacey Ahrenstorff and family
5—Troy Ahrenstorff and family
6—Those who are hospitalized
7—Ray & Lyla Akkerman
8—Craig & Maxine Anderson
9—Harold & Nancy Anderson and family
10—Stan & Alice Anderson
11—Mandy Anderson and family
12—Pastor Emmanuel & Lydia & family
13—Byron Bahl family
14—Margaret Bahl
15—Mike & Stacie Baker and family
16—Greg & Dee Baloun
17—Harold Benson
18—Jacob & Brandy Benson
19—Carole Bergendahl
20—Mike Betz
21—Dan & Susie Betz
22—Pastor Emmanuel and family
23—Bill & Shelly Boles and family
24—Noah & Rachelle Bosma & family
25—Thad & Amy Bosma & family
26—those fighting cancer
27—Steve & LaDonna Bosma
28—Our country's leaders
29—Everyone fighting cancer
30—Andrea Brouwer
31—those in military service

LP UMW NEWS

No meeting in July

Sanctuary Flowers

July.....Jennifer Krummen
Jeanine Gunderson

Care Center Music

July 11.....Jennifer Krummen

Care Center Bingo

July 14.....Darlyne Halquist
Colleen Griesse



Community Meal

Community Table Meals

No cost or clean-up for you
5:30 – 6:45 p.m. each month

- ✓ 2nd & 4th Thursdays at Okoboji Bible Conference Community Center in Arnolds Park
- ✓ 3rd Thursdays at Bedell Family YMCA in Spirit Lake at 1900 41st St.

Sponsored by the Dickinson County Ministerial Association in partnership with the Bedell Family YMCA and Upper Des Moines Opportunity.

July Harris Birthdays

- 3 Steve Bosma
- 8 Daniel Loring
- 8 Jeff Loring
- 9 Ramsey Aboamera
- 11 Madison Bosma
- 16 LaDonna Bosma
- 20 Joni Harms
- 23 Richard Meyer
- 23 Michael Raveling
- 26 Raymond Ransom
- 28 Nancy Anderson
- 29 Loretta Rowe

July LP Birthdays

- 1 Jeanine Gunderson
- 1 Dick Read
- 1 Madison Read
- 2 Blake Gunderson
- 2 Phyllis Johnson
- 2 Rita Reimers
- 3 Stacie Cornwall
- 3 Sheyanne Weltzin
- 4 Peyton Christenson

- 5 Doug Orwig
- 6 Allan Garloff
- 6 Gerald Zahren
- 7 Hailey Heikens
- 9 Tim Gallagher
- 9 Beckett Schultz
- 10 Errol Siemon
- 13 Gladys Goodell
- 13 Ken Brennan
- 13 Justus Voss
- 13 Tracy Bosma
- 14 Daryl Meyer
- 14 Kathy Winters
- 15 Nathan Heuer
- 15 Ray Ann Weltzin
- 15 Gib Zahren
- 15 Brody Dingel
- 15 Zachary Hellinga
- 16 Diane Duitsman
- 16 Kristin Heikens
- 17 Jay Duitsman



- 17 Jesse Duitsman
- 19 Hazel Jo Morrow
- 20 Madison Gilmore
- 20 Shirley Taylor
- 20 Massina Mandelkow
- 21 Arin Elser
- 21 Bev Rush
- 21 Matt Perry
- 22 Marie Krummen
- 23 Mandy Heuer
- 24 Pat Gillespie
- 24 Fran Graham
- 24 Louise Petersen
- 25 Karla Kyle
- 27 Jeremy Rasche
- 28 Connor Gunderson
- 29 Joshua Paskert
- 30 Heidi Garloff Martens
- 31 Paul Gallagher
- 31 Gregg Hellinga
- 31 Cynthia Gilmore
- 31 Keegan Carpenter

July Harris Anniversaries

- 8 Steve & Kathy Goodell
- 18 Ray & Lyla Akkerman
- 20 Dan & Susie Betz

July LP Anniversaries

- 4 Gene & Casey Morfitt
- 6 Bob & Rita Reimers
- 7 Stan & Alice Anderson
- 8 Terry & Deb Morrow
- 8 Bill & Ginny Verdoorn
- 16 Jordan & Meggie Widholm
- 16 Brian & Jamie Nebelsick
- 19 Brad & Fran Graham
- 25 Steve & Jennifer Krummen
- 26 Mike & Shirley Taylor
- 26 Matt & Molly Johnson
- 30 Tim & Angela Fisher
- 30 Ryan & Brittney Houseman
- 30 Karl & Jo Watkins
- 31 Scott & Tricia Rueter
- 31 Mike & Kelli Vellema



Friends in the Lord

Proverbs 27:17 (NIV) says, “As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.” It’s important to choose friends who help us be more like Jesus. How many words can you make from the word *friendship*?

F R I E N D S H I P

2-letter words: _____

3-letter words: _____

4-letter words: _____

5-letter words: _____

Words with 6 or more letters: _____

Answers include: in, is, hi, he, hip, end, sip, dip, rip, sir, hid, ship, send, ride, dine, find, fine, drip, shed, dish, fish, rind, ripe, hide, ride, pride, siren, fresh, ferns, friend, fathers, rarer, rinsed, shirtne, finish, shine, insider, hinders, inspired, unfinished

“May we think of freedom not as the right to do as we please but as the opportunity to do what is right.”

—Peter Marshall

Friendship Snack Mix



Life is more interesting when you have a diverse “mix” of friends. Show your variety of buddies how much they mean to you by making this snack for (or with!) them.

- What you need:**
- 1 cup fish-shaped crackers
 - 1 cup chocolate Chex
 - 1 cup mini pretzels
 - 1 cup peanut butter crackers
 - ½ cup mini M&M’s
 - Large bowl
 - Snack-sized zippered baggies
 - Permanent markers
 - Foam stickers

- What you do:**
1. Mix all the food in the bowl.
 2. Write a personalized message on each baggie. Decorate with stickers.
 3. Measure some snack mix into each baggie. Seal them shut.
 4. Share this snack with your friends!

LAY SERVANT TRAINING

Saturday, September 30
Anthon United Methodist Church
8:00 am to 6:00 pm

Basic Lay Servant Training
Advanced Class: Discover Your Spiritual Gifts
Advanced Class: Leading Missional Small Groups

More information is on the Events Calendar on the District web page.
www.iaumc.org and point to connections, then click on northwest district
Cost of registration will be \$15. Registrations due by September 12.



Independence Day Lessons for Church Life



• **Return to the basics** — On July 4 we commemorate the origins of our country. In terms of faith, we also periodically need to hear again the foundational stories of Creation, the Israelites and, of course, Jesus.

• **Honor the gift of freedom** — “For freedom Christ has set us free ... do not submit again to a yoke of slavery” (Galatians 5:1, ESV). We strive as citizens to preserve and live out our national freedom. Likewise, as citizens of God’s kingdom we live gladly in the freedom of salvation and share that gift with others.

• **Enjoy community** — July 4 is known for picnics, parades and other community gatherings. Similarly, the church is nourished by coming together for worship, meals and other special events.

• **Be light in the darkness** — As fireworks brighten the sky with light and color, the church is called to display the Gospel’s unique light in a dark world. Our word dynamite and the Greek word for power — as in, “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you” (Acts 1:8) — share a root. Through God’s power in us, we share Jesus — dynamically! — with others.

—Heidi Mann



Red Cross Blood Drive
Christian Reformed Church
Ocheyedan, IA
Wed., July 19th from 1 – 7 p.m.



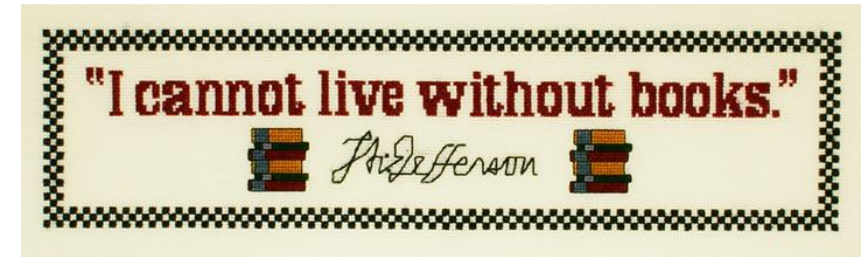
Please consider making an appointment. Walk in’s are welcome also.
Call LaDonna Bosma at 712-758-3766 or cell 712 -330-9679.



Come & Go Baby Shower For Beth (Graham) Clarke

*9 - 11 a.m.
Saturday, July 15*

at LP UMC



The July books from our church library focus on CHANGE. What change do you want to see in your life? Come to the library to check out these selections to help you find out.
Deb Morrow, Church Librarian

Used individually, as a group discussion, or a six-part Bible study, ***Sons of Encouragement: Five Stories of Faithful Men Who Changed Eternity*** by Francine Rivers will teach lessons that are as applicable today as when they lived thousands of years ago. These biblical men of faith served in the shadows of others. The stories of Aaron, Caleb, Jonathan, Amos and Silas apply to our lives and the difficult issues we face in our world today.

With one prayer at a time Stormie Omartian in ***The Power of a Praying Wife*** inspires and encourages wives in the assurance of God's wonderful promises of restoration, renewal, and growth in marriage. The power of a praying wife is not a means of gaining control over your husband. Instead, it's relying on God's power to transform you, your husband, your circumstances and your marriage.

"If" is the starting point for vision and the call to action. Bob Vander Platts outlines this plan for renewal in ***If 7:14: An Urgent Call for Revival... It's Time.*** Bob says, "Of all the words God could have chosen to spur us on to revival, there is none greater than "if". The "if" transitions the weight of responsibility. It encourages personal and corporate responsibility. It demands action, authenticity, and sincerity."

Walking on water means 1) facing your fears and choosing not to let fear have the last word, 2) discovering and embracing the unique calling of God on your life, 3) experiencing the power of God in your life to do something you would not be capable of doing on your own. Consider the incredible potential that awaits you outside your comfort zone. ***If You Want to Walk on Water, You've Got to Get Out of the Boat*** by John Ortberg is a must-read.



*More
VBS*



*Vacation Bible School
Saturday, June 3, 2017
Harris UMC*

