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To give by text, enter 73256 and receive a response with your next steps.

Automatic Clearing House (ACH): fill out the form on the next page if you would like to continue supporting our Church ministry and drop it off at the Savings Bank in Lake Park.

Please use the new email for the Harris and Lake Park UMC Church
hlpumc@gmail.com



CONGRATULATIONS!!!



Ross and Sara Ingwersen on the birth of a daughter on August 4, 2020. She has been named Kolbie Eva, weighed in at 8 lbs. and was 20 in. long. She was welcomed home by sisters, Skylar and Rylee. Grandparents are Curt and Kim Ingwersen.

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Harris and Lake Park United Methodist Churches NEWSLETTER

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**Harris & Lake Park
United Methodist Churches
Pastor: Emmanuel T. Naweji
August 2020**



Harris UMC
208 N. Main
Harris, IA 51345
Worship: 9:00 am
Sunday School: 10:15 am

Custodian: Kelley Morgan: 702-526-1054
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Lake Park UMC
1471 135th Ave
Lake Park, IA 51347
Worship: 10:30 am
Sunday School: 9:00 am



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YouTube Channel
(Harris and Lake Park United Methodist Church)

 **YouTube**
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- 1—Matt & Lisa Carstensen & family
- 2—Butch & Ann Chiochon and Emily
- 3—Rosalind Christ
- 4—Dennis & Erma Christenson
- 5—Our government leaders
- 6—Justin & Beth Clarke
- 7—People fighting cancer
- 8—People who live in poverty
- 9—Rick & Roxie Cother
- 10—Bob & Jane Crist
- 11—teachers
- 12—Sue Crosby
- 13—John Crosby III
- 14—Dustin & Shantry Dake and family
- 15—Cheryl Dake
- 16—Bobbie Davis
- 17—Karl & Becky Davis and family
- 18—Ken Davis
- 19—Kathy Denny
- 20—our government leaders
- 21—Mark & Julie Dillehay
- 22—Those serving our country
- 23—Those fighting cancer
- 24—Dennis & Diane Duitsman and family
- 25—Those hospitalized
- 26—Our district superintendent
- 27—Nick & Arin Elser and family
- 28—Elyse Engel
- 29—World leaders
- 30—Pastor Emmanuel

*We always thank
GOD for all of you
and continually
mention you in
our prayers.*

1 Thessalonians 1:2, NIV



Harris UMC

	Attendance	Offering
July 12	11	\$895.00
July 19	10	705.00
July 26	12	839.00
August 2	10	405.00
Total	43	\$2,844.00
Average weekly attendance	11	
Given to Date		\$23,768.90

Lake Park UMC

	Attendance	Offering
July 12	25	\$4,495.00
July 19	34	2,443.03
July 26	31	3,359.00
August 2	35	1,450
Total	32	\$11,747.03
Average weekly attendance	32	
Given to Date		\$63,970.72

Dear Church Family,

I hope this note finds you and your loved ones well. Given the circumstances with COVID-19, I don't get to see most of you like in the past. But I speak with some of you, especially those who cannot come to Church at this point. Also, I communicate with the others by text, via social media, as well as by email. Fear, as a result of what is going on, has alienated some people from the community. So, I encourage you to reach out to somebody this month. You can use what I call "The Rule of Four." It is my daily discipline to talk to four people who are not my family members or friends.

Fear is not always a bad thing. It affects us negatively only when we let it dictate how we should conduct ourselves in our everyday living. Also, fear has been a part of our human existence from the very beginning. While we have to overcome fear so that it does not rule over us, we still have to understand that doing so does not mean choosing not to be careful and cautious any longer. Nor does it mean we have to live into hiding either even though that may be what we need to do whenever necessary. With our Church opening up more now, you can come to our "in-person" worship services.

Together with the leadership at our Church, we make sure that everyone, who walks into the building, is safe. My prayer is that we, as a community of believers, continue to be a people God uses to heal us all, spiritually, mentally, emotionally, and physically. Being in community is so essential for our healing process, individual and corporate. Just as I ask God to heal us, in every aspect of who we are, before sharing my message every Sunday in Church, I also say the same prayer as often as I can during the week.

This month, we continue our study about 7 attitudes that can help us overcome fear with focus on the last three themes: *gratitude*, *the beginners' mind*, and *balance*.

Fear sets us up for evil when we do not handle it the right way. Out of fear, we can experience anger, grief, hatred, and more. And, this pandemic has been such a great trigger of fear in us and society all over the world. Learn more about this series on fear on my blog, www.emmanuelnawaji.com or on our Church website, www.harrislakeparkumc.org.

An exciting thing happening this month is confirmation Sunday, which was canceled last May due to the pandemic. But, I am thankful that on September 13, we will finally confirm our youth. It is also the Sunday when Sunday school starts. I can't wait to see our kids, youth, and adults get back to Church for spiritual growth and making more disciples. So, I encourage us to start praying for each one of them, our Sunday school teachers, and youth groups' leaders.

This month, we will also officially start live streaming our 10:30 am worship service on Facebook and YouTube (Harris and Lake Park United Methodist Church). My hope is that we become able to radio broadcast soon so that we reach more people in our community with the gospel.

Finally, remember these words from the Lord, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me" (John 14: 1). *God would like us to believe in Him knowing that God is always in control. His love for you does not change. Nothing and no one can alter God's plans for you and your family. So, fear not!*

See you in worship at Church or on our social media if you can't make it to our in-person service!

Pastor Emmanuel.



Congratulations to Macy Gunderson and Drew Planteen on their wedding on August 22. Macy's parents are Gregg and Mindy Gunderson. Grandparents are Bob and Jeanine Gunderson.



United Methodist Women

- No meeting until further notice
- 2020 Bazaar has been cancelled

Sunday School Starts

September 13
9:00 am at Lake Park
10:15 am at Harris



The back to school bells rang a little differently this year. The masks are still a very good idea. Social distancing has put a stop to giving a hug as a greeting. Human connections are Zoom and FaceTime. Politics is messy. We are not sure where all this is going. The church library is here to remind you that there are things you can do something about. READ! By yourself. To a child. With your family. Deb Morrow, Church Librarian

In Get Out of Your Head: Stopping the Spiral of Toxic Thoughts, author Jennie Allen "inspires and equips to transform our emotions, our outlook, and even our circumstances by taking control of our thoughts. Our enemy is determined to get in our heads to make us feel helpless, overwhelmed, and incapable of making a difference for the kingdom of God. But when we submit our minds to Christ, the promises and goodness of God flood our lives in remarkable ways. It starts in your head. And from there, the possibilities are endless."*

"Ever feel like you're not good enough, smart enough, or valuable enough? Renee Swope understands. Even with a great family, a successful career, and a thriving ministry, she still struggled with self-doubt. Sharing her own personal story, Renee shows you how to rely on the power of God's promises to find the security you need and the confidence you long for!"* ***A Confident Heart: How to Stop Doubting Yourself & Live in the Security of God's Promises*** "is a captivating, story-driven book that provides real solutions to the real doubts and fears we all face."*

"What is a God Chaser? A God chaser is an individual whose hunger exceeds his reach. A God chaser is a person whose passion for God's presence presses him to chase the impossible in hopes that the uncatchable might catch him. A child chases a loving parent until, suddenly, the strong arms of the father enfold the chaser. The pursuer becomes the captive; the pursued the captor. Add your name to the list... become a God chaser. Who knows? You might be one whom he catches."* ***The God Chasers: My Soul Follows Hard After Thee*** by Tommy Tenney "is not for the fainthearted, but for those who"* are in pursuit of God.

*Taken from book jacket

Dear Lake Park Church family,

During the June Administrative Council, we voted on setting up a task force to begin exploring the future of our Church in light of a possible split as a result of the upcoming the 2021 General Conference. Members of this task force are Jon Martin, Fran Graham and Rebecca Luitjens who are working with Pastor.

The group's goal is to help educate our Church on what is going on with regard to the General Conference, which will take place in Minneapolis, August 27 through September 8 next year. It was supposed to have taken place last May, but, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the commission on the General Conference postponed it to the above dates. Learn more about the General Conference at <https://www.resourceumc.org/en/churchwide/general-conference-2020>.

Every month, we will share with you about how things will unfold. In the meantime, we encourage you to continue praying for our Church and the entire United Methodist denomination.

Jon Martin,
Administrative Council Chair



In the past the memorial committee has dedicated memorials given to the church by friends and families of those we have lost over the past year on Memorial Day weekend. Since the church was not able to meet in person at that time, this dedication

The memorial committee, on behalf of the Lake Park United Methodist Church, would like to thank you for your generous gifts in memory of the following: Allen Arnold, Karen Rehms, Tom Kyle, Sherry Ahrenstorff, Dr. Ross DeWitt, Eugene Morfitt, Mickey Myrick, Mark Blau, and Wesley Lynn.

Alice Anderson,
Memorial Committee, Chair

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 7:00 pm Lake Park Trustee	3 7:00 pm Harris Trustee	4	5 4 pm Virtual Worship 5 pm Lake Park Open Prayer
6 14 th Sunday After Pentecost	7 	8 7:00 pm joint SPRC at Lake Park	9 7:00 pm Lake Park Finance	10 7:00 pm Harris Finance	11 Patriot Day	12 4 pm Virtual Worship 5 pm Lake Park Open Prayer
Daily Readings for the week: Exodus 12: 1-14 Psalms 1498 or 149 Romans 13: 8-14 Matthew 18: 15-20						
13 15 th Sunday After Pentecost Grandparents' Day Sunday School Confirmation Sunday	14	15 6:00 pm Lake Park Education 7:00 pm Lake Park Nominating	16 7:00 pm Lake Park Ad Council	17 7:00 pm Harris Nominating and Ad Council	18	19 4 pm Virtual Worship 5 pm Lake Park Open Prayer
Daily Readings for the week: Exodus 14: 19-31 Exodus 15: 1-11 Romans 14: 1-12 Matthew 18: 21-35						
20 16 th Sunday After Pentecost Bible Sunday – 2 nd grade	21	22 First day of Autumn	23	24	25	26 4 pm Virtual Worship 5 pm Lake Park Open Prayer
Daily Readings for the week: Exodus 16: 2-15 Psalms 105: 1-6, 37-45 or 78 Philippians 1: 21-30 Matthew 20: 1-16						
27 17 th Sunday After Pentecost	28	29	30			
Daily Readings for the week: Exodus 17: 1-7 Philippians 2: 1-13 Psalms 78 1-4, 12-16 Matthew 21: 23-32						

One all-important word

Sometimes one word makes all the difference. In John 14:16, when Jesus promises the disciples that God will send the Holy Spirit, he doesn't say "the" Helper or "a" Helper but "another" Helper. For there to be "another" of something, we must already be familiar with a first of that thing. Jesus has been, for the disciples, their first Helper. They already "know him for he dwells with [them]" (verse 17, ESV).

When my infant son was to start full-time daycare, the transition went quite smoothly. That's because his "new" caregiver wasn't new at all: She was Grandma! The sense that my son would be in the hands of *another* family member he already knew eased the handoff for Mama and baby alike.

Not all parents have access to that type of situation, but the caregiving arrangement Jesus provided his disciples is available to all. Even when Jesus is no longer physically with us, another who loves us just as much — another we already know and whose truth we've seen in Jesus — is here. We're in good hands.

—Heidi Mann



Garrett Goodell

Allen Rowe (Parkinson's)

Ardyce Rueter (mother of Lori Sheeler & Scott Rueter)

Cheryl Dake & family

Ginny Verdoorn & family, loss of her husband, Bill

Those with mental health or any health concerns

The men and women in the armed service and their family

Gary Taber (stroke)

Rita Reimers

Rodney Graham

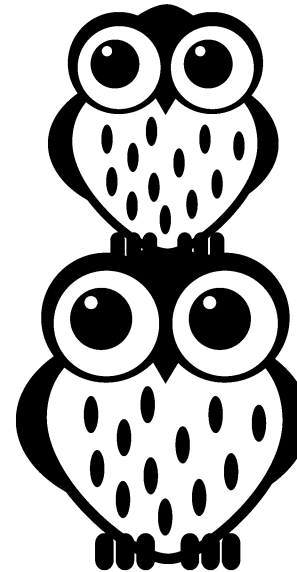
Dave Lindeman



WISDOM FROM THE WORD

God makes a special promise to people who study Scripture.

Directions: Arrange the word list in alphabetical order. Then write the circled letters in order below to complete Joshua 1:8, NIV.



- school _ _ ○ _ _ _ _
- paper _ ○ _
- wisdom _ _ ○ _
- read _ _ _ ○
- play _ _ _ _ _
- learn ○ _ _ _ _
- grow _ ○ _ _ _ _
- pencils _ _ _ _ _
- pray _ ○ _ _
- art _ _ _ _ _
- student _ _ _ ○ _ _
- kids _ _ ○ _ _ _ _
- apple _ _ ○ _ _ _

"... meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be _ _ _ _ _ and successful."

JOSHUA 1:8, NIV

Answer: apple, art, grow, kids, learn, paper, pencils, play, pray, read, school, student, wisdom, prosperous



Lake Park

- 2 Derek & Ashley Vander Veen
- 3 Dan & Carol Bonnema
- 4 Mike & Stacie Baker
Jared & Ebony Rahe
- 7 Mark & Jody Garms
- 8 Cory & Morgan Garland
- 9 Tim & Kristin Heikens
- 11 Jeremy & Joy RASche
- 15 Ryan & Carol Rowe
- 16 Justin & Beth Clarke
- 17 Darrell & Alene Ferrichs
- 18 Lance & Shelley Heikens
- 21 Bruce & Jeri Goodell
Quin & Leah Bullard
- 22 Nathan & Maddy Kyle
- 25 Harold & Carol Nelsen
- 26 Kyle & Briteleigh Ingwersen
- 28 Rich & Vivian Worrick
- 29 Kraig & Emily Pool
- 30 Tyler & Kyla (Byers) Anderson

Harris

- 1 Harry & Valerie Riesberg
- 9 Dustin & Shantry Dake
- 23 Nick & Laura Fiebig
- 27 Jeff & Stephanie Jacobsma
- 28 Thad & Amy Bosma

Harris

- 6 Karl Davis
- 12 Michael Travaille
- 16 Zach Buxton
- 24 Steve Travaille

Lake Park

- 1 Bob Reimers
- 2 Erin Schroeder
- 3 Brittney Ahrenstorff Kelley
Cole Renken
- 4 Barb King
- 5 Veronica Newbrough



- 6 Nathan Goodell
Darlyne Halquist
- 7 Brian Dingel
- 8 Annie Gubbins
- 9 Nya Vellema
- 10 Levi Heikens
Mavis Hornick

- 11 Jennifer Krummen
Taylor Meyer
Roxann Moriston
Doug Stahly
- 12 Jamie Nebelsick
- 14 Jon Martin

- 16 Darlyne Halquist
- 18 Lil Janssen
Justin Murphy
Victoria Wulf
- 19 Dallas Heikens
- 20 Noreen (Morrow) Greer
Bentley Heikens
- 21 Rich Worrick
- 23 Eli Hix
- 24 Trevor Gunderson
Grace Heikens
Kim Ingwersen
Nick Morrow
- 28 Tyler Wallace
- 29 Duane (DJ) Ingham
- 30 Bob Ahrenstorff
Tim Lueders



**NO MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
UNTIL AFTER LABOR DAY**

