

Donations Needed

Recently the Lake Park UMC had to purchase a new projector to use during worship. This was an unfortunate and unexpected expense. We are currently asking for donations to help cover the expense to purchase a new one. The cost of the new projector will be over \$9,000. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated.

Donations can be given during offering at Sunday worship services or dropped off to the Saving Bank in Lake Park.

Please write "Projector Fund" on the envelope.

Thank you for your support!

God Bless!

The Trustee Committee



Monday &
Wednesday
8:00 -5:00
Thurs. 8:00-2:00

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Harris and Lake Park United Methodist Churches Newsletter

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Harris United Methodist Church will be hosting a meeting **July 8, 2021 at 7:00 PM** to plan an Ice Cream Social and also the Iowa Lake Service for August 1, 2021.

Everyone is encouraged to join us!

Remember!

You can now give to LPUMC online, by text or directly out of your account.

ONLINE GIVING: Go to the church website at www.harrislakeparkumc.org and click the "Give Now" tab and follow the instructions.

TO GIVE BY TEXT: enter 73256 to receive a response with your next steps

GIVE DIRECTLY FROM YOUR BANK ACCOUNT: automated clearing house (ACH); stop by the Savings Bank in Lake Park and they will be happy to help.

How are we doing?

For concerns or comments on the new look of our monthly newsletter please reach out to Valarie Schoo at the church email hlpumc@gmail.com or call the office at (712) 832-3361
REMINDER: please help us keep our records up to date! Let us know if you have a new address or any other information we may need.

Your feedback is important to us!
Thank you!



June 13th-15th 2021
5:30-7:30 pm

Volunteers Needed!

Signup sheet now available at the LP UMC

Registration starts at 5:15
Sunday, June 13th.

Contact Jodi
@ 712-330-7235
(call, text or Facebook message)

Donations appreciated - donation envelopes located at both Lake Park and Harris UMC.



UMW Ladies will meet for a luncheon at Gunderson's June 2, 2021 at 11:30 AM.



Harris & Lake Park United Methodist Churches



We welcome you to grow together with us in Christ through prayer and the Word.

June 2021

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Harris UMC
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Harris, IA 51345

Worship 9:00AM
Sunday School 10:15AM

Custodian
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Sunday School 9:30AM
Worship 10:30AM

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Hello Dear Church Family,

I pray and hope this note finds you well and in good health. In the following lines, I wanted to share three things with you.

First, and as you may already know by now, the first weekend this month is Annual Conference. We will do it on Zoom, Friday, June 4 through Sunday, June 6. During the first day of Annual Conference, here in Iowa, we usually have a Clergy session and Laity session. When we have in-person gatherings, we meet about the same time in different places. But, that can vary from one year to the next.

This year, we will have the Clergy session in the morning, and the Laity session in the evening, both on Zoom. We work on legislations and other business on Saturday and end the conference on Sunday. During our conference, there is also time for worship, lunch breaks, etc.

Rebecca Luitjens is the lay delegate who will be attending the Iowa Annual Conference this year. You will hear from her later when she gives a report to our Churches (Harris and Lake Park).

Second, here's a question for you: are you ready for VBS (Vacation Bible School)? Yes, it's happening, and the Lake Park Church is our host this year. Both Harris and the Lake Park Presbyterian people have been helping organize VBS, just as we have always done it. In case you have not done so, make sure you sign up to help in some capacity. Go to the VBS section in the newsletter to know how to do it. You can also call the Church. If you do not plan to serve on any of the VBS teams, make sure you, at least, spread the word about VBS, and invite your kids, nephews, neighbor's kids, or grand-kids to this event.

Last, but not least, we will be studying the book of Acts starting on May 30 and throughout the summer during worship. Watch the Sunday bulletins and our Facebook page to know what scriptures we will be reading in preparation for each Sunday message.

The book of Acts is such a powerful book for us all, Christians. It tells us the story of the apostolic community of believers, how it started and the way this Christian movement grew beyond Jerusalem to reach so many other nations in just less than a century. We can learn so much from those early Christians, and how they thrived in spite of living in such challenging times.

In case you did not know, every week, I write a more in-depth reflection based on Sunday's message, which you find on my blog, www.emmanuelnaweji.com. My goal is to always have these reflections available by Wednesday. So check out my blog every Wednesday, and remember to share it with a friend or family member.

Say this prayer with me:

O Heavenly Father, you created and made me in your own image. Help me reflect who you are so that people around me get to know you. Melt me. Mold me. Fill me with your Holy Spirit that I become the light of the world and salt of the earth wherever I am. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

See you in worship,
Pastor Emmanuel.

UMC youth group lead our Mother's Day service recognizing our new Moms.



Pastor Emmanuel is honored to lead our Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study Group

What a blessing to be able to start Wednesday with Men's Bible Study.

The Lord has blessed us with a wonderful group of his servants.





2021 Confirmands



Tyler Jurva, Michael Money, Justus Voss, DJ Ingham, Bowden Barnhart, Rylee Renken, Mylee Watje, Kendal Niemeier, Maddy Gilmore. Congratulation!

Finding a Way to Share The Gospel

Rodney Graham; a member of Lake Park United Methodist Church; continues to find ways to share the gospel. Rod is helping spread the gospel to fellow members of the WEL-life community. Each Sunday Rod personally invites fellow members of his community to join him to watch the morning service from Lake Park United Methodist.

Rod shares with us the following WEL-live community members regularly join him for Sunday morning services.

Rodney Graham, Raeburn Loesher, Ruth Ferguson, Mary Newton, Norma Seely, Bobbie Davis, Esther Williams, Leon McCoy, Betty Goddell, Jean Schafer, Kay Turnquist, Margaret Wedekima, Denny Sienkecht. Jean Gross and Kristy Robenson. Thank you for watching.



Thank you Rodney for continuing to help share the gospel.

John 13:34 *A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.*

Are you interested in volunteering? Elderbridge Agency on Aging Services has several opportunities for people looking to give back to the elders in our area. If you would like more information on how you can become a volunteer please contact Val in the church business office or go to the Elderbridge website:<http://elderbridge.org>.



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Cooks
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Multi-Media Coordinator
Kitchen Support

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OKOBOJICAMP.COM/SEEKING-CURRENT-OPPENINGS/
EMAIL: ERIC@OKOBOJICAMP.COM

OFFICE NUMBER:
712-336-2936



Junior Staff @ At Lake Okoboji UM Camp About the Program:

Hey Teens! Looking for a significant way to serve Jesus this summer? Than look no further than Lake Okoboji UM Camp's Jr. Staff program. Teenagers sixteen years of age or older are needed! Come join the Summer Staff and see how YOU can make an impact in the lives of children all over the state of Iowa and beyond! A great way to learn and develop leadership skills, meet new people and a great opportunity to acquire those volunteer hours for school.

Benefits of J-Staff:

- > Learn about Camp's Culture
- > Be a part of the Camp Community
- > Acquire New Leadership Skills
- > Listen to Staff Testimonies
- > Bond with Summer Staff
- > Participate in Games & Activities
- > Assist in Program Areas Such As:
 - Go-Karts - Canoeing - Aerial Course

Additional Details:

- > Must Be 16 Years of Age or Older
- > Training Dates: Mon. June 14th-June 15th
- > Location: Lake Okoboji UM Camp

* For Questions - Please contact Phil using the following information below.

* To Register: okobojicamp.com/junior-staff/

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UMC Sunday School helps out in a big way!

This year our Sunday School was able to purchase several animals for Animals for Heifer, International.

We purchased a flock of Chickens \$20.00, three rabbits \$60.00, one pig \$120.00 and one sheep & 120.00.

A total of \$320.00

Great job United Methodist Sunday School helping to spread Gods love! Thank you.



It takes many things to run a successful summer camp program. But there is a special group of people who make all the difference in the world - our Junior Staff volunteers.

Junior Staff are high school youth, 16-18 years of age, who agree to come camp throughout the summer, volunteering their time helping on support staff or in cabins with an older Summer Staff. Volunteer a week, three weeks, or five weeks! We would LOVE your help and support through this challenging summer.

We are also looking for volunteers of any age to help us at camp this summer. Anywhere from check-in on Monday, helping in the kitchen prepping meals, assisting in the camp store, cleaning cabins or assisting with programming areas.

If you have interest in volunteering or the J-Staff program this summer please contact Phil at phil@okobojicamp.com or call the office at 712-336-2936.

Registration for J-Staff: <https://okobojicamp.com/junior-staff/>.

June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 6:30 Men's Bible Study	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 6:30 Men's Bible Study	10	11	12 Decorate for VBS!
13 VBS 5:30pm- 7:30pm	14 VBS 5:30pm- 7:30pm	15 VBS 5:30pm- 7:30pm	16 6:30 Men's Bible Study	17	18	19
20 	21 *Deadline for newsletter info	22	23 6:30 Men's Bible Study	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 6:30 Men's Bible Study			

1~Ray & Alice Von Holdt
 3~Jacob & Brandy Benson
 5~Lane & Ginny Gunderson
 7~Gregory & Patrice Meyerdirk
 10~Dan & Marilyn Gath
 and Harold & Nancy Anderson (H)
 13~Pastor Chris & DeLyte Ebbers
 and Gregg & Nyla Hellinga (H)
 15~Travis & Bryanna Nissen
 16~ Josh & Jennifer Paskert
 and Todd & Stacey Ahrentstroff
 18~Brian & Heidi Martens

19~Andy & Ashley Posey
 21~Jamie & Cynthia Gilmore
 and Curt & Kim Ingwersen
 and Brant & Heidi Peterson
 22~Jim & Louise Peterson
 and Nathan & Autumn Schultz
 23~ Doug & Julie Stahly
 24~Butch & Florence Orwig
 25~ Bob & Jeannie Gunderson



- 1st: Mikaela Heikens, Chad Niemeier, Adelynn Hix, Wayne Untiedt (LP) Allen Rowe, Nancy Travaille (H)
- 2nd: Jeff Kennedy, Tim Newbrough, Virginia Pell, (LP)
- 3rd: Elyse Engel (LP)
- 4th: Rebecca Luitjens, Bella Barnhart (LP)
- 5th: Kathy Denny (H) Travis Nissen (LP)
- 6th: Avery Heikens, Lynn Murphy (LP)

- 7th: Judy Taber, Ben Ahlers (LP)
- 8th: Jonah Benson (H)
- 9th: Brittney Hix Houseman (LP)
- 10th: Rev. Chris Ebbers
- 11th: Jeremy Lueders (LP)
- 12th: Tessa Gunderson, Deb Zahren (LP)
- 13th: Robert McClain (H) Carole Bergendahl (LP)
- 14th: Angie Arndt, Jordan Widholm (LP)
- 15th: Camden Bosma, Clay Salzwedel (LP)
- 16th: Justin Dekkenga (H)
- 17th: Bryan Read, Adrienna Van Hunnick (LP)
- 18th: Byron Bahl, Austin Gilmore, Kayla Updike (LP)
- 19th: Kiersten Carpenter (LP)
- 21st: Ryan Houseman (LP)
- 22nd: Jeri Goodell, Tiffany Mandelkow, Steven Money, Jim Petersen (LP)
- 23rd: Clayton Krummen (LP)
- 24th: Tony Good (H), Edith Siemon (LP)
- 25th: Deanie Untiedt (LP) Don Loring (H)
- 27th: Brad Graham, Tony Delgado (LP)
- 28th: Nicolle Read, Tim Heikens (LP)
- 29th: Lori Murphy (LP)
- 30th: Dan Betz, Angela Bosma (H) Shane Nelson, Rod Peekenschneider (LP)



COME VISIT THE CHURCH LIBRARY



June 2021
 "Hello" from the Lake Park and Harris Library. We are soon to enter the additional freedoms of summer. School is out. Gardens and fields are greening. Ballgames echo with cheers. The lake calls. Reading habits grow. Try these nonfiction selections. Deb Morrow, Church Librarian

Jesus Politics: How to Win Back the Soul of America (2020) is written by Phil Robertson, a professional hunter who invented his own duck call and founded Duck Commander Company. "Exploring the problems facing our country and how Jesus would respond to each, Robertson offers a manifesto, showing us how to *do good* by King Jesus, bringing the kingdom of heaven to our homes, neighborhoods, churches, communities, and country. *Jesus Politics* charges readers to use their time, talents, resources, influence, and votes to protect and advance the policies of King Jesus. Together, Robertson declares that we can win back the soul of America, becoming a nation that proclaims, "In the King we trust."***

"George Müller, a rebellious thief transformed into a humble servant of God, longed for his life to be a living manifestation of the strength and power of Christ. From a position of utter dependence upon God, Müller opens up his journals and offers us front row access to

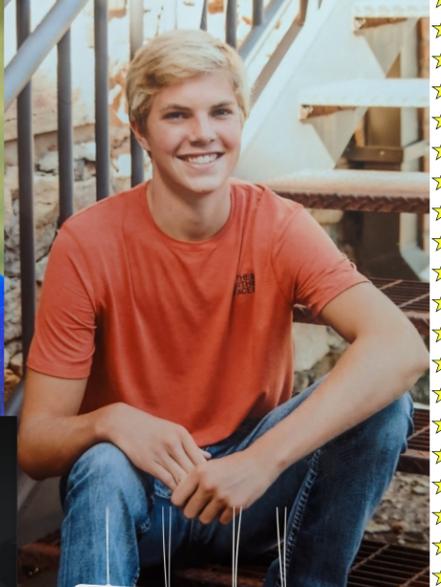
the inner workings of his own spiritual life as well as an intimate accounting of the miraculous provisions of God which enabled him to house, feed and care for thousands of orphans in 19th century England. Müller humbly beckons every single one of his readers to follow his lead toward a life of uncomplicated, dynamic faith in the King of kings and Lord of lords who is alive and waiting to overturn every paradigm of a watching world."* **The Autobiography of George Muller** is located in the Biography/Memoir section.

"Abby Johnson quit her job in October 2009. That simple act became a national news story because Abby was the director of a Planned Parenthood clinic in Texas who, after participating in an actual abortion procedure for the first time, walked down the street to join the Coalition for Life. **Unplanned** [by Abby Johnson with Cindy Lambert] is a heart-stopping personal drama of life-and-death encounters, a courtroom battle, and spiritual transformation that speaks hope and compassion into the political controversy that surrounds this issue. Telling Abby's story from both sides of the abortion clinic property line, this book is a must-read for anyone who cares about the life versus rights debate and helping women who face crisis pregnancies."

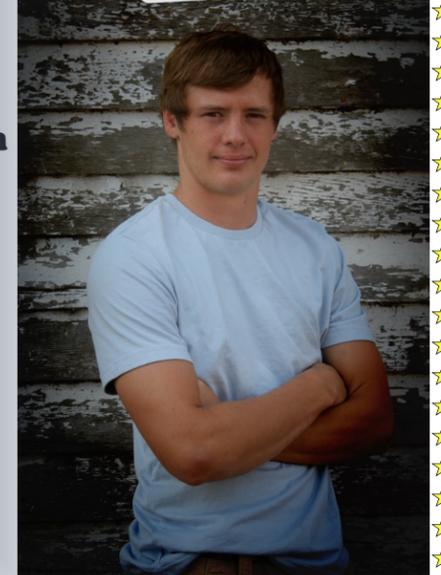
"The sound of snapping twigs closed in on the five teenagers enjoying an evening around a glowing campfire at Gitchie Manitou State Park. The night of music and laughter had taken a dark turn. Evil loomed just beyond the tree line, and before the night was over, one of the Midwest's most horrific mass murders had left its bloodstains spewed across the campsite. One managed to survive and would come to be known as the "Gitchie Girl." Harrowing memories of the terrifying crime sent her spiraling out of control, and she grasped at every avenue to rebuild her life. Can one man, a rescue dog, and a glimmer of faith salvage a broken soul? This true story will touch your heart and leave you cheering that good can prevail over the depravity of mankind.

Through extensive research, interviews, and personal insight, the authors bring a riveting look at the heinous crime that shook the Midwest in the early 1970s. Written from rare, inside interviews with the lone survivor, who broke nearly four decades of silence, this shocking yet moving story will not soon be forgotten."* **Gitchie Girl: The Survivor's Inside Story of the Mass Murders That Shocked the Heartland** is written by Phill Hamman & Sandy Hamman. Taken from Amazon.com

We congratulate our seniors.



- Jaxson Heikens~**
- Tim & Kristin Heikens**
- Lucas Gunderson~**
- Grant & Tonia Gunderson**
- Alex Heikens~**
- Bill & Carmen Heikens**
- Keegan Bradley~**
- Nick & Jessi Bradley**
- Easton Brevik~**
- Jodi Brevik**
- Dylan Meyer~**
- Daryl & Shakira Meyer**





Happy Father's Day



June 20, 2021

Puzzle!

For this cryptogram, use the clues to decode
Proverbs 3:5, NRSV.

CLUES:

Y = T, D = I

Y K T P Y D X Y J Z

 V Q K R F D Y J O V V

 C Q T K J Z O K Y, O X R

 R Q X Q Y K Z V C Q X

 C Q T K Q F X D X P D L J Y.

Thank you to those who have signed up to usher.

We have the following people scheduled for June:

- June 6 Jeff and Phyllis Johnson
- June 13 Jeff and Phyllis Johnson
- June 20 Dave and Jerilyn Marra
- June 27 Jo Miller Hoyer & Arlene Jaycox

If you are interested in ushering please sign up on the sheet in the fellowship hall.

There are several opportunities you to help throughout the year!

Thank you!

From Worship committee:

In search of person/ persons to run multiple forms of media during worship service, one Sunday per month. Please contact Pastor Emmanuel thru church office.



Before I Was Myself, You Made Me, Me by Nicholas Gordon

Before I was myself you made me, me
With love and patience, discipline and tears,
Then bit by bit stepped back to set me free,

Allowing me to sail upon my sea,
Though well within the headlands of your fears.
Before I was myself you made me, me

With dreams enough of what I was to be
And hopes that would be sculpted by the years,
Then bit by bit stepped back to set me free,

Relinquishing your powers gradually
To let me shape myself among my peers.
Before I was myself you made me, me,

And being good and wise, you gracefully
As dancers when the last sweet cadence nears
Bit by bit stepped back to set me free.

For love inspires learning naturally:
The mind assents to what the heart reveres.
And so it was through love you made me, me
By slowly stepping back to set me free

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- Taylor Meyer
- Carole Bergendahl
- Doug Claus,
- Allan & Loretta Rowe
- Amanda Bondhus
- Craig Heuer, father of Kayla Updike

Stewardship

Lake Park UMC

	Attendance	Offering
5.02.21	171	\$6560.65
5.09.21	102	\$2,841.00
5.16.21	93	\$1,715.25

Harris UMC

5.09.21	50	\$888.00
5.16.21	21	\$495.00
5.23.21	45	

Thank you to all who have followed our services on Facebook and YouTube!

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"Remember me in your prayers. When my dad finds out I scratched the car with my bike, I'll need all the prayers I can get!"