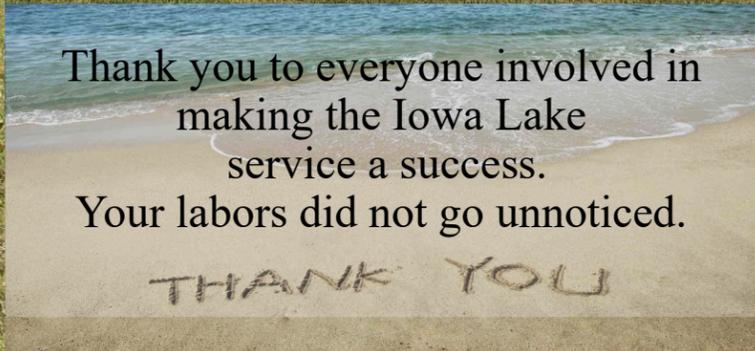


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*We welcome you to grow together with us in Christ through
prayer and the Word.*

**September
2021**

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Sunday School 10:15AM

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Worship 10:30AM

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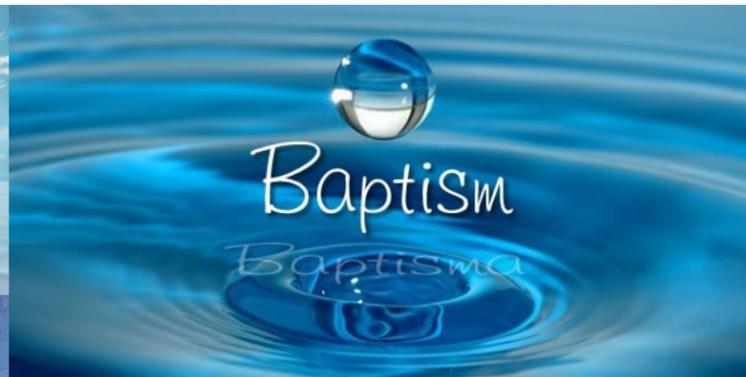
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Baptism

Krew Allen Rowe
son of Carol & Ryan Rowe



Makenna Grace Tigges daughter of Leah and Brett Tigges



Sunday,
August 15, 2021
Lake Park United
Methodist
Church
welcomed
Krew Allen
Rowe
into their church
family.



Saturday,
July 31, 2021
Harris United
Methodist
Church
welcomed
Makenna Grace
Tigges
into their church
family.



FIND YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THE LORD

Lake Park Food Bank

The Lake Park food Bank is held the first Thursday of every month in the parking lot of the Presbyterian church. Food boxes come from the Feeding America program from Des Moines. The Lake Park Food bank also take donations to supplement and monetary donations to purchase bread and other staples locally to add to the boxes we receive. Approximately 70 families &/or households are receiving food every month. We are in need of a few volunteers that could help with unloading the truck at about 1:00 PM and distribution at about 4:30 PM. Please talk to Jerilyn Marra (712-348-0475) or Jim Kessler (712-330-1738) for more information.

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 the church office.

Volunteers Needed!

Please take the opportunity to serve as an usher in Lake Park. Volunteers are needed for the following dates:
~Sept. 5, ~ Oct.17, 24,31 ~ Nov. 28
~ Dec. 19 & 26.
Please take advantage of this opportunity by signing up on the sheet located on the table by the fellowship hall.
Thank You!

Lake Park UMC Attendance	Offering	Harris UMC Attendance	Offering		
August 1	41	\$2,142.00	August 1	15	\$535.00
August 8	72	\$2,050.00	August 8	7	\$100.00
August 15	61	\$723.00	August 15	13	\$515.00
August 22	60	\$1,352.00	August 22	45	\$3325.00

Harris Coffee Schedule for September

5-Labor Day - No Coffee
12-Jeff Jacobsma
19-Shannone Serck
26-Gregg Hellinga

Sunday School Classes
Resume September 12th!
Lake Park
9:15am-10:15am.
Harris 10:15am-11:15am
Volunteers needed to donate snacks & juice/water and to be snack servers.
Sign up sheet is in the fellowship hall!

Worship in the Parking Lot
Come join us for worship,
in the safety of your own car.
Tune your radio to
87.9 FM

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.

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



United
Methodist
Women

UMW Ladies will meet September 8th. We will have a salad pot luck at 12:00. Shepherdess will be joining us!

Concerns, joys or prayer request to be listed in the bulletin or monthly newsletter can be sent 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!



We have acquiring a new system for our live streaming to stay connected with those who can't come to our in-person church services (events).

We will again be live streaming on Facebook and YouTube.

Please like us on Facebook and subscribe to our YouTube page.

Harris and Lake Park
United Methodist Church.

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LIVE Streaming



Dear Church Family,

It's September, and as a church community, we are resuming with our activities. It's going to be an exciting time for us all as we grow closer together with God and each other.

First of all, let me say that God is always on our side no matter what we face. If you recall what I shared in Church (August 22), I talked about faith, and how it can help us do the impossible. It's from the story about the fig tree (on your own, read about it in Matthew 21:18-22). From this story, we learn that God wants us to do three things:

- Have faith in Christ.
- Do not doubt.
- Pray.

As we do what we've decided to do through Sunday school (for all ages), let's do it by faith. And, when we have doubts and all kinds of fears, which is human, we bring them together to Christ in prayer.

We find joy and hope only when we do it together as God's family. One thing we all have to keep in mind is that Jesus is the author and perfecter of our faith (Hebrews 12:2).

What that means is Jesus is at the same time our pioneer, the founder of our faith, and our leader. He has already gone through this year as our Church activities resume for the fall. He knows our

ups and downs as we hold all these events we have already planned for the fall.

While I want you and everyone else to serve in some capacity this fall, we may still have some vacant leadership positions. In that case, we will commit our needs to God in prayer. I would like you to pray for me, our people on the Education Committee, as well as all our leaders (Sunday school, Youth groups, and Adult small groups).

Next, I would like you to know that I will end my series on Biblical words that begin with "F" on September 12. Then, I will start a new sermon series on "Hope." This study will go along with Back To Church campaign the Lake Park Church is doing starting on September 19. We all need hope. Don't we?

Last, I want to do different this year with Confirmation is to lead one teaching session with the whole Junior High School group. I will do this only in the fall, which will also allow the younger youth begin learning more about the basics of our faith. I will send a letter to the parents of our 8th graders with more details.

So, if you have not signed up to serve this fall, now is the opportunity. And, there are many ways to do it. Talk to me. Or, call the office, and we will help you find a way you can best serve.

See you in worship,

Pastor Emmanuel.

Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength.
They will soar on wings like eagles
They will run and not grow weary
They will walk and not be faint.
~Isaiah 40:31 NIV

CHECK OUT THE CHURCH LIBRARY



September 2021

The kids are acclimating to school desks, the garden produce is slowing down, the Iowa harvest is just ahead of us, and the daylight hours are waning. Fall gets us ready for winter in these many ways. Look at this month's featured devotion books to make the transition from those extra sunny reading hours to winter snuggles with a book. Deb Morrow, Church Librarian

P.S. All these books are located in the Prayers/Devotions section of the church library.

"Remarkable People...Remarkable Stories...Remarkable Verses... Remarkable people and their inspiring Life Verses from the Bible..."

Discover for yourself the power of God's Word in the lives of 365 people."* The One Year Life Verse Devotional: 365 Stories of Remarkable People and the Scripture is edited by Jay K. Payleitner.

"I have often been asked what my favorite prayers are of all those in my books. So I have collected the ones that have been most important to me personally, as well as prayers others said meant the most to them. I pray they will bless you as well."* My Favorite Prayers by Stormie Omartian.

"When you rise from your bed, how many minutes does it take before you truly shine? Oh, dear. That long. Might I have just two of those minutes each morning? Two minutes to whisper a gentle word of

encouragement, to brush a feather across your funny bone, to prove how beautiful and valuable you are to God. Two minutes. No calories, no squat thrusts, I promise. Rise, sister mine. And shine."* Rise and Shine: A Devotional by Liz Curtis Higgs, An Encourager.

"...take a few moments every day to let God comfort, establish, and strengthen you. In this stressful world, God knows we could use regular infusions of His grace. In that grace there is strength for every one of your todays and bright hope and peace for all of your tomorrows."

* Daily Grace for Women: Devotional Reflections to Nourish Your Soul published by Honor Books. *Taken from Book

Develop a passion for learning. If you do, you will never cease to grow.

- ANTHONY J. D'ANGELO



Women's Evening Circle

Ladies mark your calendars for **Thursday, September 9 at 7:00 pm.**

Join other women from the church as we have a kick off meeting to start a women's circle that will meet in the evenings. If you can't make it to UMW during the day because you are working or other reasons? This is for you! Get to know other women in the church and make new friendships.

Join us for devotions, conversation, fun and fellowship. Plan to attend Thursday, Sept 9 at 7:00 pm at the church. Please contact Jerilyn Marra (712-348-0475) for more information. Hope to see you there!

Happy Anniversary

- 1 Harry & Valerie Riesberg (H)
- 2 Derek & Ashley Vander Veen
- 3 Dan & Carol Bonnema
- 4 Mike & Stacie Baker
- 4 Jared & Ebony Rahe
- 7 Mark & Jody Garms
- 8 Cory & Morgan Garland
- 9 Dustin & Shantry Dake (H)
- 9 Tim & Kristin Heikens
- 11 Jeremy & Joy Rasche

- 12 Zach & Ellyse Hellinga
- 15 Ryan & Carol Rowe
- 16 Justin & Beth Clarke
- 17 Darrell & Alene Ferrichs
- 18 Lance & Shelley Heikens
- 21 Bruce & Jeri Goodell
- 21 Quin & Leah Bullard
- 22 Nathan & Maddy Kyle
- 23 Nick & Laura Fiebig (H)
- 25 Harold & Carol Nelsen
- 26 Kyle & Britleigh Ingwersen
- 27 Jeff & Stephanie Jacobsma
- 28 Thad & Amy Bosma (H)
- 28 Rich & Vivian Worrick
- 29 Kraig & Emily Pool



Happy Birthday



- 1 Bob Reimers
- 2 Erin Schroeder
- 3 Brittney Ahrenstorff Kelley
- 3 Cole Renken
- 5 Veronica Newbrough
- 6 Karl Davis (H)
- 6 Nathan Goodell
- 7 Brian Dingel
- 8 Annie Gubbins
- 9 Nya Vellema
- 10 Levi Heikens
- 10 Mavis Hornick
- 11 Jennifer Krummen
- 11 Taylor Meyer
- 11 Roxann Moriston
- 11 Doug Stahly
- 12 Michael Travaille (H)
- 12 Jamie Nebelsick
- 14 Jon Martin
- 16 Zach Buxton (H)

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



Back to Church Sunday Campaign Starting October 10, 2021



you, we have not done it. Now that we are recovering from the damages COVID has had on us all, together with the Worship team, we thought that we need to use this campaign and encourage each other to fully return to Church.

To prepare for October 10 (Back to Church Sunday for Lake Park UMC), Pastor will teach on the theme, "Hope Is Here:"

- Hope for the Weary.
- Hope for the Broken.
- Hope for the Underdog.
- Hope for the Doubter.

In preparation for October 10 (Back To Church Sunday), we will involve Sunday school classes, youth groups, adult small groups, and everyone else. On our BTC Sunday, we plan to have a lot of activities in addition to worship, including a potluck. We will communicate all those plans with you at the right time.

We hope and pray you consider helping in some capacity in this effort to have as many people as possible back to Church on October 10.

Dear Lake Park Church family,

The worship team has chosen **October 10** to be our Back to Church Sunday. In case you have not heard of BTC Sunday, learn more about it at <https://www.backtochurch.com/>.

It is something a lot of Churches do every year with the effort of bringing people back to Church following the start of school.

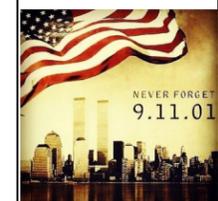
For the whole time I have been here serving God with

Pastor Emmanuel and Worship Team (Lake Park).

PRAYER REQUEST

The family of Bobbi Davis, Terry & Camilla Mitchell, Darlene Halquist, the family of Barb King, the family of Eloise Goodell, Ellen Wolfe, Butch Orwig, Rod Graham, Bob Ahrenstorff, Allan & Loretta Rowe, Amanda Bondhus, Rhonda Miller, Dave Determan (Jessi Bradley's stepfather), Richard Friedrich (brother-in-law of Jan Mitchell), Craig Heuer, (father of Kayla Updike), Claire Yaw, (niece of Marie Mattiesen) Deanna Rowe and her family, Pastor Emmanuel, Our Church Family, students, parents and facility at HLP school.

September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 ~6:00pm Joint SPRC meeting in Lake Park ~7:00pm Lake Park Trustee Meeting	2 Food Bank ~6:30pm Harris Nominations Committee Meeting	3	4
5	6 Labor Day Church Office Closed	7 Church office open 8am-5pm	8~NOON UMW Salad potluck ~6:30pm Lake Park Nomination Committee Meeting Church office open 8am-5pm	9 ~6:00pm Harris Trustee & Finance Meeting ~7:00pm Harris Ad Council Meeting ~7:00pm Women's Evening Circle meeting in Lake Park Church office open 8am-2pm	10	11 
12 First Day of Sunday School 9:15 Lake Park 10:15 Harris 	13	14	15 6:30 Sr. High youth group kick off Potluck 	16	17	18
19 Blessing of backpacks in Lake Park during worship service 	20	21	22 ~6:00pm Lake Park Finance Committee Meeting ~7:00pm Lake Park AD Council Meeting	23	24	25
26 Second Grade Bible Dedication in Harris 	27	28	29	30		



Seven of our church youth attended Camp this year and as you can see by the photos that were submitted they all had a great time!



Blake



Blake and Brooklyn



Bella



Bowden



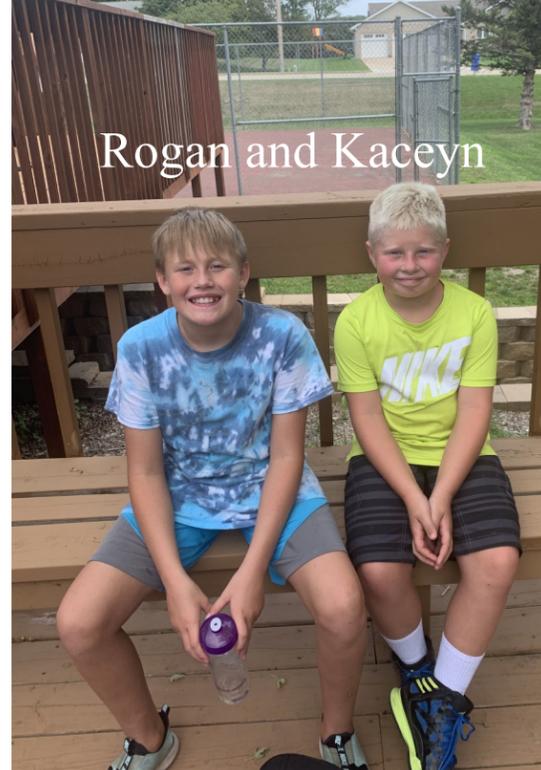
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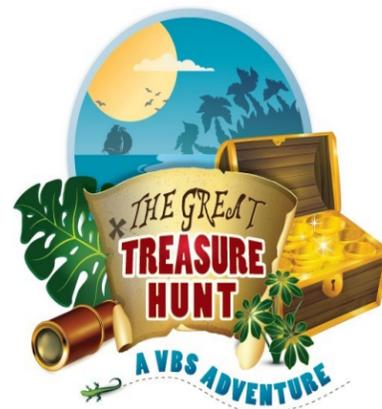
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Blake and Brooklyn



More news from our amazing youth!



This year in June we raised \$379.00 from VBS.

This amount purchased 1516 meals for Children's Hunger Fund!



6:30pm
September 15
Sr. High Youth
Group
kick off meeting
with potluck
supper!