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**in the safety of your own car.**  
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**Bible Quiz**

The book of Revelation is written to seven churches. Which list includes a city that is not among those seven?

A. Ephesus, Thyatira, Philadelphia  
 B. Smyrna, Laodicea, Galatia  
 C. Pergamum, Thyatira, Smyrna  
 D. Sardis, Ephesus, Laodicea

Answer: B (See Revelation 2-3.)

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# Puzzle!

Fill in the blanks with the correct words. Then transfer the letters to the numbered boxes below to complete Psalm 107:1, NIV.

Shape that symbolizes love    31 15 7 18 5  
 Part of a stove used for baking    12 3 24 39  
 Color made by red and yellow    28 42 7 8 27 37  
 A present    1 32 20 11  
 Clothing a girl wears    19 22 43 44 33  
 Something you open to go into a room    40 29 17 47  
 Opposite of soft (sound)    34 17 41 30  
 To take a long walk    14 2 9 38  
 A high body temperature    45 50 49 48 42  
 Items used to build or fix things    13 35 21 16 26  
 Edge of the sea    10 23 46 51 4  
 Home for a bee    6 25 36 4

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25	26	27	28		
29	30	31	32	33	34	35	
36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43
44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51

Answer: heart, oven, orange, gift, dress, door, loud, hike, fever, tools, shore, live; Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. Psalm 107:1, NIV

**Concerns, joys or prayer request**  
 to be listed in the bulletin or monthly newsletter can be sent to the church email [hlpumc@gmail.com](mailto: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!

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](http://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.



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 Churches**



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

**August 2023**

**Pastor Sedar Shako**  
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<p><b>Harris UMC</b>          208 N. Main          Harris, IA 51345</p> <p>Worship 9:00AM          Sunday School 10:15AM</p> <p><b>Custodian</b>          Kelley Morgan          (702) 526-1054</p>	<p><b>Lake Park UMC</b>          1471 135th Ave          Lake Park, IA 51347</p> <p>Sunday School 9:00AM          Worship 10:30AM</p> <p><b>Custodian</b>          Mary Schmidt          (712) 331-1455</p>	<p><b>Church Office Manager</b>  <b>Amanda Money</b></p> <p>Phone: (712) 832-3361          Email: <a href="mailto:hlpumc@gmail.com">hlpumc@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>Webpage</b>  <a href="http://harrislakeparkumc.org">harrislakeparkumc.org</a></p> <p><b>Facebook Page</b>          HLPUMC</p> <p><b>YouTube Channel</b>          Harris and Lake Park United Methodist Church</p> <p><b>Radio</b>          87.9</p>
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## Community RESOURCES

### **Elderbridge Agency on Aging -** [elderbridge.org/](http://elderbridge.org/)

We are an Area Agency on Aging in North Central, Northwest, and Central Iowa, currently serving a 29-county region. We provide information, guidance, and assistance in finding services for you, your spouse, parent, relative, or friend. We strive to enable older Iowans to live with dignity, well-being, and independence.

### **Upper Des Moines Opportunity, Inc.-** [udmo.com](http://udmo.com)

Upper Des Moines Opportunity, Inc. (UDMO) is one of 16 community action agencies (CAAs) in Iowa. CAAs provide services to low-income people and families. Services that include energy assistance, housing assistance, health & nutrition assistance, services for children & families, as well as outreach services. UDMO promotes self-sufficiency by providing a variety of programs to fight poverty, improve health and increase educational attainment for family members of all ages.

### **Dickinson County Hunger Coalition-** [dickinsoncountyhunger.com/where-s-the-food](http://dickinsoncountyhunger.com/where-s-the-food)

Has information on all food pantries available to residents in Dickinson County - individuals enter the office and choose their own groceries with assistance from UDMO Staff and volunteers. This includes choices of canned and boxed goods, assorted frozen meats, fresh vegetables, breads, baked goods and more.

### **Atlas of Lakes Area:** [lakesatlas.com/](http://lakesatlas.com/) **Atlas of Osceola:** [atlasofsibley.org/new/](http://atlasofsibley.org/new/)

Companions and Advocates on the Road of Life. Atlas strives to be an advocate for those in need as they deal with life's relational, physical, emotional, financial, and/or spiritual struggles. We strive to love unconditionally in each mentoring relationship. Offering encouragement, hope, and support for anything you may be facing in life. In addition to support, we offer qualified referrals for addictions, relational, employment challenges, housing challenges, transportation hurdles, health issues, financial difficulties, emotional afflictions, and spiritual barriers.

### **Seasons Center for Behavioral Health-** [seasonscenter.org/](http://seasonscenter.org/)

The caring professionals at Seasons are dedicated to helping you heal from life's struggles and find balance again. We provide many life-changing behavioral health services to those in need of a little to a lot of care and support. Currently providing services for adults, children, families, and additional services including a therapeutic support line, mental health awareness trainings, and a specialized substance abuse treatment program.

### **Cherish Center-** [cherishcenter.org/](http://cherishcenter.org/)

The Cherish Center is a sustainable organization offering faith-based, life-changing services for families to be strengthened and renewed through care and compassionate support. Cherish House provides expecting mothers and their children with a safe and supportive home. At the heart of our organization is a community that is dedicated to helping women and their children. Through Cherish House, we offer pregnancy services that include safe housing, supportive staff, and knowledge-based programs to help each one of our residents as they navigate their way through some of life's most significant changes.

Not seeing what you are looking for? There are many programs and resources for the entire family offered in both Dickinson and Osceola as well as surrounding counties. Use this resource guide here, that can help you connect with what your looking for.

[extension.iastate.edu/dickinson/dickinson-county-resource-guide](http://extension.iastate.edu/dickinson/dickinson-county-resource-guide)



# FIND YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE THE LORD

## Lake Park August Serving List

### Worship Leaders for August:

August 6-No Leader on Communion Sunday  
 August 13- Worship Leader Needed  
 August 20- Worship Leader Needed  
 August 27- Worship Leader Needed

**Upcoming opportunities to lead worship:**  
 9/10, 9/17, 9/24, 10/8, 10/15

### Serving as Ushers/Greeters in Lake Park

August 6-Ushers/Greeters Needed  
 August 13- Ushers/Greeters Needed  
 August 20- Ushers/Greeters Needed  
 August 27- Ushers/Greeters Needed

**Upcoming opportunities to usher/greet:**  
 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24, 10/1

Please take advantage of this opportunity by signing up on the sheet located on the table by the fellowship hall. Thank you!

## Harris August Serving List

### Worship Leaders for August:

August 6-No Leader on Communion Sunday  
 August 13- Worship Leader Needed  
 August 20- Worship Leader Needed  
 August 27- Gregg & Nyla Hellinga

**Upcoming opportunities to lead worship:**  
 9/10, 9/17, 9/24, 10/22

Please take advantage of this opportunity by signing up on the provided sign up sheet. Thank you!

**August Ushers/greeters for Harris:**  
 Keith Klassen, Noel Philips, Harry Riesberg

### No Coffee Schedule for August

## **Lake Park Food Bank**

The Lake Park food Bank is held the first Thursday of every month in the parking lot of the 1st 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.

Lake Park UMC	Attendance	Offering	Harris UMC	Attendance	Offering
July 2	79	\$1243.00	July 2	28	\$1010.00
July 9	67	\$3619.76	July 9	40	\$714.00
July 16	71	\$2321.90	July 16	24	\$1148.00
July 23	54	\$1843.06	July 23		
July 30			July 30		

The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to him. Psalm 24:1 (NLT)

Whatever you give is acceptable if you give it eagerly. And give according to what you have, not what you don't have. 2 Corinthians 8:12 (NLT)

VBS had a great turn out this year, with 54 kids in attendance. We learned all about the everyday hero's of the Bible. Thank you to all of the volunteers who made it all possible.





# August BIRTHDAYS

- 1-John Gunderson
- 1- Brienna VanderHoef
- 1- Grace Hiveley
- 4- Mike Vellema
- 4- Marc Oleson
- 5- Mike Baker
- 5- Braelyn Heikens
- 5- Travis Luitjens
- 5- Judy Siemers
- 5- Avery VandeHoef
- 6- Keith Klaassen
- 7- Melanie Deets
- 7- Andy Preston
- 8- Nathan Kyle
- 8- Elizabeth Read

- 8- Tyler Jurva
- 9- Brock Garloff
- 10- Lena Anderson
- 10- Brian Lenderts
- 11- Sherri Munster
- 11- Neal Luitjens
- 11- Ty Garloff
- 12- Jessie Paskert
- 13- Zachary Garms
- 13- Trevor Grussing
- 13- Liam Updike
- 14- Maddox Rahe
- 14- Lucas Jacobsma
- 17- Amanda Oleson
- 18- Ben Meyerdirk

- 19- John Weltzin
- 20- Cassie Martin
- 20- Rebecca Mooney
- 21- Trisha Ingham
- 21- Nichole Rowe
- 21- Meggie Widholm
- 21- Emily Anderson
- 22- Todd Ahrenstorff
- 22- Matt Johnson
- 22- John Crosby III
- 23- Derrick Dake
- 23- Robert Halquist
- 23- Bo Barnhart
- 24- Philip King
- 25- Shirley Gillespie
- 25- Kyle Ingwersen
- 25- Joan Hoye
- 25- Leah Tigges
- 26- Jacob Newbrough
- 27- Ryan Rowe
- 28- Jennifer Lueders
- 28- Nicole Vabre
- 29- Brian Nebelsick
- 29- Joshua Bridgeman
- 31- Kyle Jacobsen
- 31- Valerie Riesberg



# August ANNIVERSARIES

- 5-Jeff & Phyllis Johnson
- 6-Scott & Jan Mitchell
- 8-Brad & Sherri Munster
- 8-Brett & Leah Tigges
- 10-Ty & Kayla Ahrenstorff
- 11-Bob & Jance Crist
- 13- Matt & Megan Barnhart
- 15- Noah & Rachelle Bosma
- 16-Dan & Charlane Gubbins

- 17- Brian & Lindsey Adams
- 19- Allan & Wanda Garloff
- 20- Dr. Rand & Stacie Cornwall
- 23- Dr. Chad & Billi Niemeier
- 25- Connor & Ashly Grussing
- 27- Calvin & Joni Harms
- 29- Daryl & Shakira Meyer
- 29- Keith & Judy Siemers
- 31- Tyler & Kyla Anerson

# Pastor's Page

The last month of July was excellent for our children in both churches. The vacation bible school was well done, by the Department of Education. I want to thank all of you for your excellent work. "Hero Headquarters" I wish Next year, the Education Committee of UMC Harris and Lake Park will make a difference because the teachers, superintendence, and students are the superheroes. I encourage you this year, to keep the same energy even on Sunday school class.

August is coming, parents are preparing the children to go back to school. The students are excited to meet their friends, and the school team is now meeting and preparing the materials for equipping the students as well. However, the Education Committee of our church is now preparing the lessons for Sunday school. We also need to invite God to walk with us through all we are preparing program.

UMC Harris will hold a special service at Lakeside Park on August 27, 2023, at 9: 00 am. The purpose of the gathering will be focus on blessing the students with their bags. We will be praying to God that he may give the students intelligence with wisdom, and so they may start class with God. I encourage you in the name of Jesus to attend the service on this day. There will be a lot of singing and luncheons.

You may see this year the teachers of the Sunday school come to visit the students at home or make phone calls to talk with parents about your child. The reason for doing this is to create a connection between parents and teachers. If your child brings the homework, please help him to do it and if you need help feel free to call the teacher.

My prayer for you teacher is that Jesus equips you with the knowledge, for the students intelligence with wisdom through your journey, so you may make a difference. I will keep praying to God for all of you so that Jesus walks ahead of you for this school year. Amen.

Blessings.

Rev. Sedar Shako



Baptism of Miles Robert Bullard  
Son of Quinn & Leah Bullard



Women of Joy has decided to have boxed cards available for purchase. They will be in the back of the church on a table. The price of each box is on the back of the box. Please put your payment in the container provided on the table. We hope you will appreciate this opportunity to have Christian cards to send for birthdays, encouragement and sympathy. We will replenish the supply as needed.


## PRAYER CONCERNS

Ron Krzmarzick (brother in law of Mavis Hornick),  
Claire Yaw (Niece of Marie Matthiesen),  
Rick Wilson & Family, Allen & Loretta Rowe,  
Cole Barden (Nephew of Daryl Meyer),  
"Click" Hellinga (father of Jerilyn Marra & Joel Hellinga),  
Mavis Hornick, Rhonda Miller,  
Pastor Sedar & family, Our Church Family,  
District Superintendent Rev. Dr. Michel Lundula  
and Bishop Kennetha.

*The Lord Bless You And Keep You, The Lord Make His Face To Shine Upon You And Be  
Gracious To You, The Lord Lift Up His Countenance Upon You And Give You Peace  
Numbers 6:24-26*



# August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 Community Food Bank at Presbyterian Church	4	5 7am Men's Breakfast at Blurry Bigfoot in Lake Park
6 9am Worship Service Harris 10:30am Worship Service in Lake Park	7	8	9 5:30pm Lake Park Ad Council 6pm LP Worship Committee	10 6pm Harris AD Council	11	12
13 9am Worship Service Harris 10:30am Worship Service in Lake Park	14	15	16 TBD LP Sunday School Teacher Meeting	17	18	19 7am Men's Breakfast at Blurry Bigfoot in Lake Park
20 9am Worship Service Harris 10:30am Worship Service in Lake Park	21  <i>Please have any newsletter items submitted by 10am</i>	22	23	24	25	26
27 9am Worship Service Lakeside Park 10:30am Worship Service in Lake Park  2pm LP Care Center Service	28	29	30 7pm Lake Park Trustee Meeting	31		Pastor Sedar will hold office hours in Harris every Wednesday from 10am-12pm  * times and dates are subject to change