

Community of Christ

Lamoni Congregation: Growing Community
September 9, 2007
Ron Ellis, Lorrie Long, Stu Sherman, Co-pastors

9:30 a.m. Christian Education Classes
10:30 a.m. Fellowship and Visiting Time

A Growing Congregation

10:40 a.m. Communication Time Bob Mesle
Interlude April Ergo
Pastor's Moment

Hymns of Praise
Lord, I Lift Your Name on High NS 33
As We Gather NS 3

Welcome Kevin Brunner

Praise

Scripture Setting Gregg Badder, Josh Badder

Hymn *Gather Us In* SP 4

Healing and Hope

Scripture: "By His Stripes" Isaiah 53:3-5
Invocation
Hymn *Lord Jesus, Of You I Will Sing* SP 31

Share Generously

Disciples' Generous Response
 Blessing and Receiving of Offerings and Tithes

Ministry of Music Ashley Minor

Journey Anew

Reflections of Pastoring Stu Sherman
Excitement of New Vision Judy Badder

Hymn *Lord, I Give You* NS 32

Setting Apart of Ron Ellis as Pastor of Lamoni Congregation

Setting Apart of Stu Sherman as Pastor of Lamoni Congregation

Setting Apart of Judy Badder as Pastor of Lamoni Congregation

Ministry of Music Stacy Badder

Step Out in Faith Believing

Looking Beyond the Horizon Ron Ellis

Prayer for Congregation Nelson Badder
*Hymn *Christ Has Called Us to New Visions* SP 38
*Sending Forth Peggy Henson
*Postlude

*Please stand, as you are able

Organist: Betty Graybill
Ushers: Dayle Robinson, Dale Moon, Barbara McKiernan
A/V:
Bell Ringer: Sterling Sherman Worship Center: Julie McElroy
Greeters: Nick & Merilou Hartwig

Administration Available

Elders will be available after Sunday services for anyone desiring administration to the sick. For those desiring administration, please see one of the elders in front of the rostrum after the morning worship service.

Childcare

Childcare (supervised by an adult) is available in the preschool room south of the balcony for anyone who wishes to use it during the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

<p>HS-Hymns of the Saints (big burgundy hymnal) SP-Sing for Peace (small burgundy hymnal) NS-Sing a New Song (small gold hymnal)</p>

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO:

Dennis McElroy	Sept. 10
Joan Green	Sept. 11
Corinne Fonseca	Sept. 11
Margaret Landis	Sept. 12
Paul Davis	Sept. 14
Eric Shields	Sept. 15
Betsy Shelton	Sept. 15
Pam Combs	Sept. 15

MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

As a result of the congregation's discernment process, the following mission and vision statement has been developed for the Lamoni Community of Christ congregation. The pastorate invites your careful attention to this mission statement. Feel free to visit with any of the pastors with comments you might have.

The Lamoni congregation is part of the worldwide Community of Christ that proclaims the gospel of Jesus Christ and builds communities of joy, hope, love and peace. Endeavoring to seek and implement God's will for our congregation, we identify four focus areas:

- 1) We will develop inclusive ministries **with** young **adults**, both singles and young families that bring **us** closer to God in personal and corporate worship and through meaningful fellowship with each other.
- 2) We will build bridges **with newcomers in our community and to others who have no church home to share** the love of God and **welcome** them in Lamoni and in our congregation.
- 3) We will strengthen our understanding of the **foundational religious beliefs** that define our relationship to God, to our past, to the church, and to each other.
- 4) We will continue our efforts to **discern the will of God** and to implement those insights in our personal and congregational lives as we seek to establish His kingdom "on earth as it is in Heaven"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Those providing ministry elsewhere today include:

Lila Oiler – Davis City Dan Long – Leon
Janyce DeBarthe (music) – Osceola Rich Jackel – Oskaloosa
Pat Magle-Jones - Pleasanton

Next Sunday

Next Sunday's service will be a special service of music in recognition of Heritage Day. Dick Clothier has planned a hymn festival entitled, "Our Heritage of Faith through Song." With the Lamoni Congregation Choir, Tom Morain at the piano, and Linda DeBarthe at the organ, the service will explore treasures from many eras that make up our heritage of hymns. Plan to attend and bring a friend to this special service. If you need a ride to church, call 784-4405 on Sunday morning.

Youth Ministry Team Meeting

If you have ideas for or are interested in serving in youth ministry, please join us **today**, at 12:15 p.m. in the fellowship hall (downstairs). Lunch will be provided. We will discuss all aspects of the Lamoni congregation's youth ministry, including youth Christian education, special events and activities, and youth ministry development. This is open to all interested persons, regardless of their availability for implementation of the program. At this point, we are planning for the 2008-09 program year, and your input is valuable and appreciated.

Outreach Ministries

Outreach Ministries will meet this afternoon (Sept. 9), 1:30 p.m. in the overflow room of the church. We are making plans for significant community outreach. Please come join us.

Friendly Visiting Program

On Wednesday, September 12, at 11:00 a.m., in the overflow room of the church, a meeting will be held of all those involved in the Friendly Visiting program (also known as Daytime Ministries Program) of the congregation. If there are members of the congregation who would like to be involved in this very special and necessary ministry, please join us at that meeting and let us know in what ways you would be available to help. Men who can give a little time each month to visit in the homes of the saints during daytime hours are especially needed but all, men and women alike, who want to participate are urged to attend. Les Gardner, Friendly Visiting Coordinator

Worship Center Committee

If you would like to be a part of the Worship Center Committee and have not been in the past, please contact Carol Hough.

Book of Mormon Study Group

The Book of Mormon Study Group will begin sessions again Thursday, September 13, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Joan Green (103 E. South Street). All are welcome. Any questions please call Deanna Schall (784-3479) or Joan Green (784-6391). Les Gardner is the instructor.

Priesthood Gathering

The Elders will be meeting on Sunday, September 16th, 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the overflow area of the church. The theme will be “Basic Principles of Bereavement Ministry.”

Congregational Business Meetings

Two congregational business meetings have been scheduled:

September 16, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Election/Sustaining of officers
and Audiovisual resolution

October 14, 10:00 a.m. Budget for 2008

Fellowship Dinner Exchange

Fellowship Dinner Exchange starts again real soon! For those that are interested in being a part of this great activity that helps us get to know each other better through eating and fellowship, please let me know. IF YOU HAVE BEEN A PART OF THIS PROGRAM EVEN THIS LAST YEAR – PLEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU WANT TO CONTINUE! I will not assume that just because you did it last year, you want to do it again! I would like to get the schedule posted for the September 16th bulletin so please get your name to me as soon as possible. Everyone is welcome to be a part of this and if you have any questions, please contact me! Thanks! Marsha Jackel (ph. 784-6791, 784-5361 wk.) email jackel@graceland.edu.

Graceland Outreach International Club

The Graceland Outreach International Club is hosting a tailgate party at Tom and Vikki Morain’s on Saturday, September 15 before the next home Graceland football game. Come anytime after 3:30 p.m. Supper will start at 4:30, and you’ll have plenty of time to get to the game before the 6:00 kickoff. A freewill donation to Outreach for your supper is the “kickoff” for the club’s fundraising project for the year. If you would like a receipt for your tax-deductible donation, please plan to make your check payable to Outreach International. So we can estimate our food supplies, please RSVP to Tom and Vikki (784-4747) or Max and Cindy Pitt (784-5348) by this Thursday, September 13. Thank you for your continued support of Graceland Students and Outreach International.

Upcoming Events

Wed. Sept. 9	6:00 p.m. Potluck 7:00 p.m. Family Night Activities 8:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
Sun. Sept. 16	9:30 a.m. Church School 10:40 a.m. Communication Time – Tammy Everett Interlude – Eldeen Church Hymn Festival Dick Clothier presiding

Income Report for Lamoni Congregation

	<u>9-2-07</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Congregational Ministries		
Operating Budget	2,803.50	61,846.52
Building Fund	360.00	3,545.70
New Projects Fund	485.00	20,865.50
Outreach International		288.04
Mission Trip		129.00
Scholarship		60.00
Food Pantry		12.30
Memorial Fund		10.00
Mission Center Ministries		
Camperships		108.00
Guthrie Grove	1.00	424.00
MC Program		105.00
World Church		
World Ministries	2,600.50	47,034.93
Oblation	330.00	6,720.98
Oblation World Hunger	385.66	3,406.63
Conference Offering		1,160.44
Roofs over Africa		5.00
Chattanooga Kids		481.00
Total offerings	6,965.66	146,253.04