

# Community of Christ

Lamoni Congregation: Growing Community

Website: [www.lamonicofchrist.org](http://www.lamonicofchrist.org)

February 1, 2009

Ron Ellis, Nick Hartwig, Lorrie Long, Co-pastors

9:30 a.m. Christian Education Classes

10:30 a.m. Fellowship and Visiting Time

10:40 a.m. Communication Time Bob Mesle

## ***“God’s Forever Covenant”***

Prelude Jerie Gail Ramsey

Welcome Nick Hartwig

Call to Worship

“Come unto me all ye ends of the earth . . .

He inviteth them all to come unto Him . . .”

2 Nephi 11:97-105, 113-115

\*Hymn of Praise “Great and Marvelous Are Thy Works” HS 48

\*Invocation Don Breshears

\*Hymn Response “Hear Our Prayer, O Lord” HS 94

Disciples’ Generous Response

Ushers receive Oblation offerings

Children accept donations for Outreach International Fund

Gifts are given for the Community Food Pantry

Prayer of Blessing for our offerings

Commitment Hymn “O Jesus, I Have Promised” HS 463

Communion Message Deanna Schall

Hymn of Preparation “Lord, May Our Hearts Be Tuned to Sing” HS 26

Blessing and Serving of the Bread and Wine

\*Closing Hymn “Praise to the Living God” HS 47

\*Benediction Barbara Breshears

\*Postlude

Readers: Rod Schall, Brian Anders

Greeters: Clarence and Maxine Snethen

Ushers: Elmer Stevenson, Evelyn Conrad-Davis, Janelle Anders

Nursery: Diane & Joe Shelton Bell Ringer: Michael Twitchell

A/V: Rod Schall

Worship Center: Tammy Everett

*“You are my God. Lord, you are kind and forgiving, full of love towards all who cry to you. Lord, teach me your way, that I may walk in your truth. Let me worship your name with undivided heart. I shall praise you, Lord my God, with all my heart, and give honor to your name forever. For your love towards me is great.”*

Excerpted from Psalm 86 (Revised English Bible)

## **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.

## **Next Sunday**

Jacob Blakesley will share with us next Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, on the theme “Free to Bel!” It is Youth Ministries Day. Les Gardner will be in charge of the service. Ministry of music will be provided by the Lamoni Choir and Pat Magle at the piano. Invite your friends and neighbors to worship with us as we hear the testimonies Jacob has to share. If you need a ride to church, call Barb Daily (784-6141), Clarence Snethen (784-3997) or the church (784-4405) on Sunday morning.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **A Sincere Thank You**

We are very grateful for your wonderful support of our fundraisers for the Congregational Matching Grant. The amount we each received this semester closed the gap between what we had and what we needed to attend Graceland for the spring. Your help and that of our congregation are very much appreciated. Jessica Blakesley and Mitch Foster

### **Food Pantry Needs Volunteers**

The Lamoni Food Pantry needs persons willing to work shifts on either Mondays or Thursdays between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. at the United Methodist Church. Please contact either Lorrie Long (784-7272) or Steve McElroy (784-6868).

### **Estate Planning**

Terry Smith with the World Church Estate Planning department will be offering a 2-hour workshop on Estate Planning and Planned Giving on Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup> from 3-5 p.m. at the church. Please come and bring your neighbors for this informative workshop. Terry will be setting appointments to visit with individuals and couples during the week to help set up their estate and giving needs.

### **Bill Higdon Shares Stories from the Mission Field**

Come share an evening of stories depicting how the Gospel has spread to countries Bill has visited while an apostle and through Outreach International. Come with questions for discussion – Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. at the church.

### **Kay Mesle Memorial Service**

A Memorial Service for Kay Mesle, mother of Sherri Mesle-Morain and Bob Mesle and mother-in-law of Barbara Mesle, will be held at the Stone Church in Independence at 4:00 p.m. on Friday, February 6. Memorial gifts may be offered to the Graceland University Honors Program, Lamoni, IA, or UMKC Law Foundation at the University of Missouri Kansas City College of Law.

**Junior High Bible Study** will be held Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Paul and Evelyn Conrad-Davis.

**Senior High Youth Group** will be held Wednesday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m. at the home of Jon Hampton.

### “Sisters in Christ”

The “Sisters in Christ” (Secret Sisters) Potluck luncheon will be held on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, at noon at the home of Carol Hyden (414 West 2<sup>nd</sup>). Bring a dish to share and a friend. Also, please bring a “white elephant” gift. Place setting and drink will be provided. If you are not presently a part of the “Sisters in Christ” group and would like to be, please contact Carol Hyden (784-6527).

### Children’s Activity (Pre-K thru 2<sup>nd</sup> grade)

Roses are red, violets are blue. We're having a party and hope to see you! Join us in a Valentine Celebration including a light supper, cookie decorating, games, valentine boxes, and card making. It will be held at the church on Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup>. The fun will begin at 5:30 p.m. and will conclude at 6:30 p.m. Please bring an empty shoe box or Kleenex box to decorate.

### Junior High Bowling

All Junior High Youth are invited to an afternoon of bowling at the Leon Lanes on Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Shoes and games will be paid from the Youth Ministries funds. Bring money for snacks. Cars will be leaving from the Lamoni Church at 1:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Chauntel Ranney (784-3533), Heather Brunner (784-8005), Beth Heltenberg (784-4127) or Jim McKinney (784-3627) if you are planning to attend.

### Senior High Cosmic Bowling

Senior High Youth will be going to Bethany on Saturday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, for supper and bowling. We’ll leave the Lamoni church at 7:30 p.m. and head to Bethany for supper. Then at 9:00 p.m. we’ll go “Cosmic Bowling”. We’ll bowl from 9-midnight. Bowling is \$9 for as many games as you can bowl in three hours. RSVP by Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> to Julie Elliott (784-4804) or Shelly Twitchell (784-7805) so we can reserve lanes and find drivers. Bring \$9 for bowling, money for supper and games or snacks at the bowling alley.

### Birthday Greetings to:

- Lois Stevenson Feb. 1
- Betty Graybill Feb. 2
- Blaiqe Allshouse Feb. 2
- Gary Prall Feb. 4
- Betty Johnson Feb. 5

### JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST - 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH - "BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH" DAY!

Please join Chef Kurt Remmenga and the youth next Sunday, 9:00 a.m. for breakfast! The breakfast is free to all. See you next Sunday morning!

### JANUARY-FEBRUARY DINNER EXCHANGE

Here is the January dinner exchange list. It is still not too late to get into the program! If you might be interested we want you to know that you can still participate. Contact Merilou Hartwig at 784-6407 or e-mail me at [n.hartwig@mchsi.com](mailto:n.hartwig@mchsi.com). We are very anxious to have EVERYONE who wants to participate to be able to do so. Please sign up as it is a great way for us to get to know each other better on an individual basis.

#### HOSTS

- Velma Ruch/Virginia Walsh 6294/6080
- Skip and Shelly Twitchell 7805
- Kay and Alma Blair 6408
- Barbara and Don Breshears 6836
- Vivian and Glen Campbell 3714
- Louita and Dick Clothier 6270
- Barbara Lee and Hale Collins 6007
- Bobbi and Ron Ellis 3880
- Ava and Les Gardner 6638
- Joan Green/Marie Hawley 6391/6157
- Lorrie Long/Rose Bolie 7272/4335

#### GUESTS

- Pat and Jim Jones 3547
- Becky and Dan Long 8800
- Nick and Merilou Hartwig 6407
- Barbara and Stan McKiernan 6873
- Florence and Carl McGuire 6782
- Ann and Rick Zieger 3730
- Janie and Cliff Neeley 4783
- Jerie Gail and Bob Ramsey 3492
- Lois and Bill Russell 6830
- Deanna and Rod Schall 3479
- Diane and Joe Shelton 7495

### Upcoming Events

- Wed. Feb. 4 7:00 p.m. Prayer and Share – Nick Hartwig
- Thurs. Feb. 5 7:00 p.m. Book of Mormon Study Group
- Sun. Feb. 8 9:30 a.m. Church School
- 10:40 a.m. Communication Time – Marjie Foster
- Worship – Jacob Blakesley speaking
- Les Gardner presiding