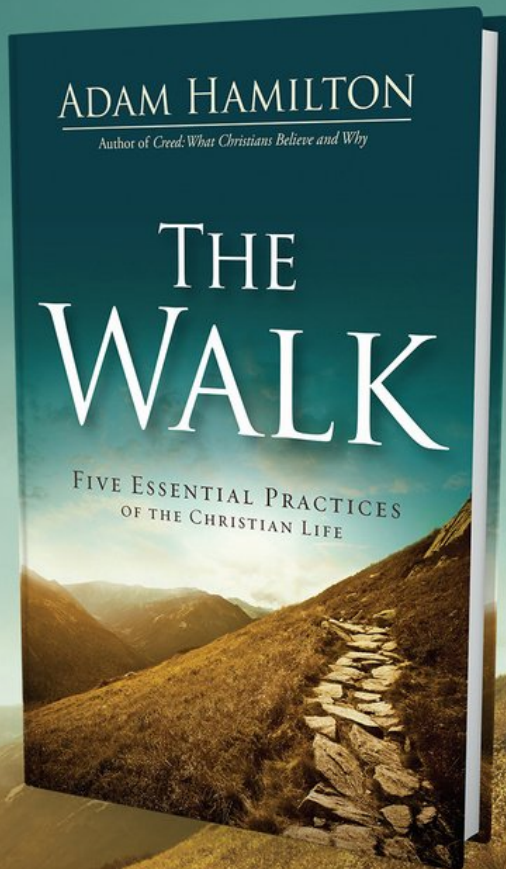


NEW WINE LITE

Official Newsletter of the Lemont United Methodist Church

Discover five spiritual practices
to help you
WALK CLOSER
with **GOD**



Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent, is March 2, 2022. We will have a worship service this evening at 7:00pm in the church. Watch for the announcements for further details.

How do we walk with Christ—daily follow him, grow in him, and faithfully serve him? In the Gospels, Jesus modeled for us the Christian spiritual life. The apostles taught it in their writings. And the Church has, through the last 2,000 years, sought to pursue this Christian spiritual life.

In *The Walk*, Adam Hamilton focuses on five essential spiritual practices that are rooted in Jesus' own walk with God and taught throughout the New Testament. Each of these practices is intended as part of our daily walk with Christ while also being an essential part of growing together in the church.

In each chapter, Hamilton explores one of these practices, its New Testament foundation, and what it looks like to pursue this practice daily in our personal life and together in the life of the church. Deepen your walk with Christ as we explore the five essential practices of worship, study, serving, giving, and bearing witness to our faith.

The classes are scheduled for Thursdays, beginning March 10, 2022 at 7:00pm via Zoom. There are six sessions. The last session is April 14, 2022. Sign up in church narthex or send an email to Nelta at lemontumce@gmail.com. The cost of the book is \$10.00. The books have been ordered. Put money in an envelope when you sign up. If you prefer the Kindle or Audible edition, go to [Amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com) and search for "The Walk" by Adam Hamilton. You will need to purchase them on your own.

Upcoming Events & Service

In person services are every Sunday at 10:00 AM

Services will be online Sunday evenings.

Please continue to give via check, online and via mobile app: Vanco.

Black History Month - February

Ash Wednesday - March 2, 2022

Lake South Spring 2022 Lay Academy - March 5th & 12th

Lenten Study: "The Walk" - March 10th thru April 14th

PSALMS FOR BLACK HISTORY MONTH

From everlasting to everlasting
World without end, You Are!

Wrought in my mother's womb
And even before then
You knew I would be.
Who I would become—or not...
Where I would dwell—or not...
What skin tone I would have
Especially after the sun had touched me;
All these, you, Creator God, had known.

The language that I would speak
Or how many I would speak, hear, and understand
How I would know to call you
And know that you are still the One
How I would pray, praise, or lament
And hope and trust that you would still hear.

My mother continent is Africa
Vast lands and lakes and rivers created by you.
You were there before many a navigator, an explorer,
often a stranger
Created invisible lines, invisible boundaries,
unnecessary divisions.
Before I knew to call you God or Dieu,
Languages from across many seas,
I learned to call you in the languages
Of my kin and others, closer, nearer, and dear to me,
Present or gone before me
In the continent of my origin, my birth, my roots.

Nyasaye (Luo)
Mungu (Kiswahili)
Mulungu (Ngoni)
Ngai (Kikuyu)
Enkai (Maasai)
Chukwu (Igbo)
Unkulunkulu (Zulu)
Lesá (Bemba)
Mwari (Shona)

You who sees all, hears all, knows all
You who are many in One,
Present everywhere all at once;
You in whose image I am made,
You whose nature is
Love, Unity, Harmony, Sameness,
It matters not in what land I currently dwell.

To you I pray,

Breathe your nature in me
Breathe courage and wisdom in me
Breathe healing over wounds that may still be open
Breathe over scars that may still be tender
Breathe to soothe the hurt that may still linger
Breathe, so that unforgiveness may not inhabit
or overwhelm me

Breathe that I may fully live to
Love and be loved
Understand and be understood
Accept and be accepted
Value and be valued

Listen—and be listened to
That I may not be singled out
Because of mere suspicion or stereotype
That I may not be considered as not belonging
Because a person, a people, a system
Just cannot believe or accept that I do

That I may be viewed neither as a token nor an
object of pity
But truly and sincerely be recognized as a
worthy and deserving human

In the here and now and beyond now

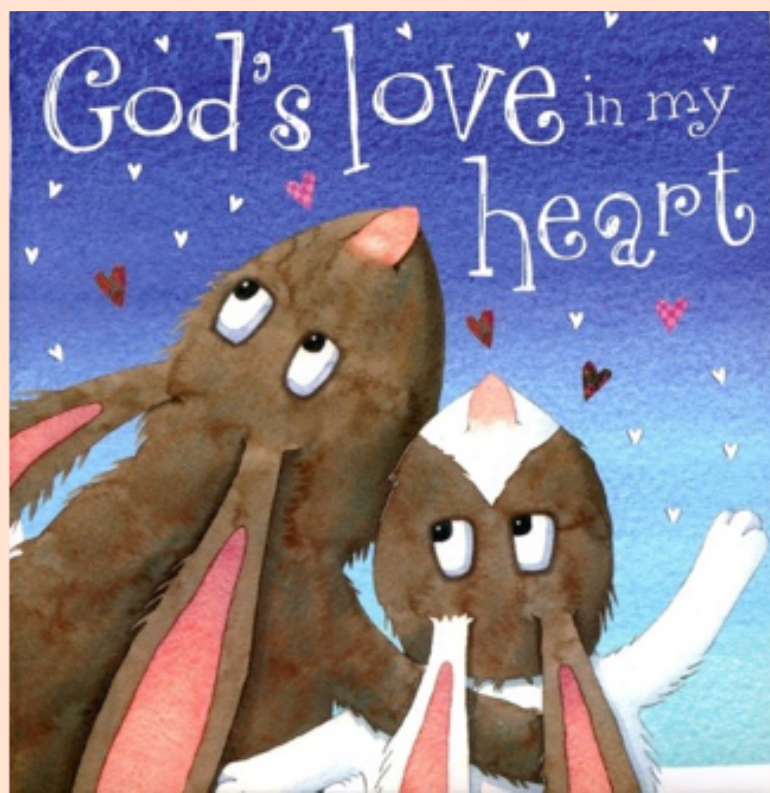
Amen

—Akinyi Owegi-Ndhlovu



JESUS AND ME (JAM)

This Month At Happy Hands



Pastor Tim and Becky Casey will meet with the students of Happy Hands on Tuesday, February 1 and Wednesday, February 2, 2022, to share that God's love in our hearts makes us strong. Our book focuses on the love of God. "God's love is so big. It's amazing. It's huge! Wait, can you feel it? It lives inside of You! With God's love in our hearts, we can be really strong and do kind and thoughtful things all day long."

Watch for a take home paper recapping our time together, including a picture for the students to color.

Our JAM book for February is "God's Love in my Heart," by Nadine Wickenden.

This is our JAM (Jesus and Me) time. Each month Pastor Tim and Becky Casey read a story, sing, and share about Jesus.



COMIC VIEW

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE READINGS (THIS SUNDAY)

ISAIAH 6:1-8

"PIONEERING THE TRINITARIAN DOCTRINE OF SUPRAFABULOUSNESS"



LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE READINGS (NEXT SUNDAY)

LUKE 6:17-26

"WHOA"





February 4 - Loren Kirkman

February 7 - Alberta Harden

February 11 - Jason Stood

February 15 - Leslie Ramos

February 15 - Kittiya Laemmer

February 27 - Judy Janovyak

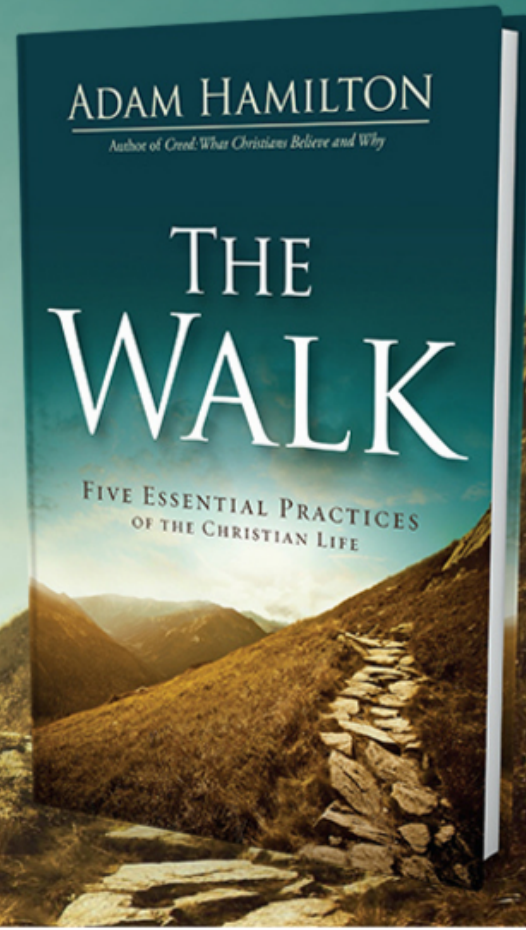


ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Postal Service is delivering one shipment of 4 COVID tests per residential address. Enter your name, address and email at www.usps.com/covidtest to request a shipment. It is live now!



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ZOOM Methodist Mens' Meeting

2nd Saturday of each month @ 8am

Please join the Lemont United Methodist Men (LUMM) Breakfast Zoom Meeting. This group is led by Tony Ferrazzi and is made available for the fellowship of all men of the church and all are welcome to attend. The meetings are about 45 minutes and include fellowship and a devotional with time to reflect and discuss. Hope to see" you at the next LUMM breakfast meeting.




PRIMETIMERS

FEBRUARY 19TH

THIS IS A GROUP MADE UP OF ADULTS 50 YEARS AND OLDER. PRIMETIMERS MEET MONTHLY ON THE 3RD SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH AT FORK AND SPOON. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL:

**KAY NORFLEET
630-257-6699
OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE.**



Tuesday Night Fellowship



Call Phil Ramos to join the meeting or click the link below:
<https://tuesfellowshipinfinityfreeappcom.webnode.com/>



AA Meetings with the Boondocks

AA Meetings are held in our church Fellowship Hall on Saturday evenings at 7:00 pm. If you would like further information.

Please contact:
Bill at (708)653-2869

LOOSE CHANGE SUNDAY & “MISSION LINKS”

WHAT IS MISSION LINKS? The Rainbow Covenant has been revamped to tie this second-mile giving to the beatitudes and is now called, “Mission Links.” Each church is asked to pay an annual fee, called an apportionment, to help the United Methodist Church carry out our work in the world. Beyond that, each church is called to a second level of giving by contributing to specially approved charities that help “Advance” the work of Christ both locally and globally. These Advance charities are encompassed in the “Mission Links.” Any church that pays their full apportionment and contributes to all of the Advance giving categories is designated as a “Mission Links” Church. LUMC has proudly been contributing to this second-mile giving, for over 30 years! Let’s keep the trend going.

HOW DOES IT WORK? Loose Change Sunday is designated as the FOURTH* Sunday of each month. All loose change collected in the offering on those days will be donated to our “Mission Links” Advance Charities. Even a small contribution can make a significant difference when it is combined with the contributions from other churches. Through “Mission Links,” our church provides monetary donations to pre-approved charitable efforts throughout the world. 100% of the amount donated goes to the designated charity. Each month we will highlight one of these charities and general donations during Loose Change Sunday will be split between them at the year’s end. If you would like to make a larger donation to any specific cause, please use a pew envelope and write the name of the charity on the outside. Look for more information on each of these important Advance ministries throughout the year and plan to drop your loose change in the offering plate on the FOURTH* Sunday of each month. (*Please note that collections for Special Sundays will fall on their designated dates.) Thank you!

If you’d like to plan ahead, here are the charities that we will be highlighting this year:

- February 27th – Global Advance: Grace Children’s Hospital
- March 27th – Missionaries: David Makobo
- April 24th – UMCOR: Global Refugee/Migration Response
- May—Bishop’s Appeal
- June 26th – U.S. Based Projects: Tree of Life Ministries
- July 24th – District Projects: Housing Forward
- August 28th – Conference Projects: North Central College United
- September 25th – Conference Projects: Kids Above All
- October 23rd – UMCOR: United Methodist Committee on Relief-Undesignated
- November 06, 2022* – Special Sundays: Accessibility Sunday
- December – recap of all charities

FYI, we may also do collections on Conference-Designated Special Sundays: Human Relations Day (1/16/22), Souper Bowl Sunday (2/13/22), UMCOR Sunday (3/13/22), Native American Ministries Sunday (5/01/22), Peace w/ Justice Sunday 6/12/22), World Communion Sunday (10/02/22), and UM Student Day (tba)



OPEN FOOD PANTRY

Open Pantry Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday &
Thursday

from 9:45 AM to 11 AM

Office: 630-257-5210

**In-Person contact: masks
are required.**



**MARY ENGLUND
SERVING A PATRON.**



**KRISTEN NELSON
PREPARING FOOD
BAGS FOR THE
PATRONS**

*Thank
you!*

**To to our
volunteers,
Dale Janssen,
Kristen Nelson,
Mary Englund,
& Margaret!!!!**

Prayers and Concerns

*Alberta Harden (health issues); home from the hospital
Kelly (Dottie McAdam's granddaughter) healing & recovery

Katy (Kay Norfleet's cousin's daughter) needs a kidney

Harper – covid & leukemia

Kevin (Dottie McAdam's oldest son) bone cancer

*Shirley Stout & family – covid

Earl Groelle (Pastor Tim & Becky's brother-in-law) car accident

Richard Thomas (Amy Cheehy's stepfather) hospice care

June (Charry's boyfriend's mother) proper treatment for gallbladder attacks

Kathryn Jones - active heart failure

Darren Monnett (Carol & Ron Walter's son-in-law) healing & recovery

David Nommensen (stroke) & family - healing & recovery

Christine Miller & The Herron Family - Covid

Those struggling with all kinds of Covid

Health care workers

***Church members**



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