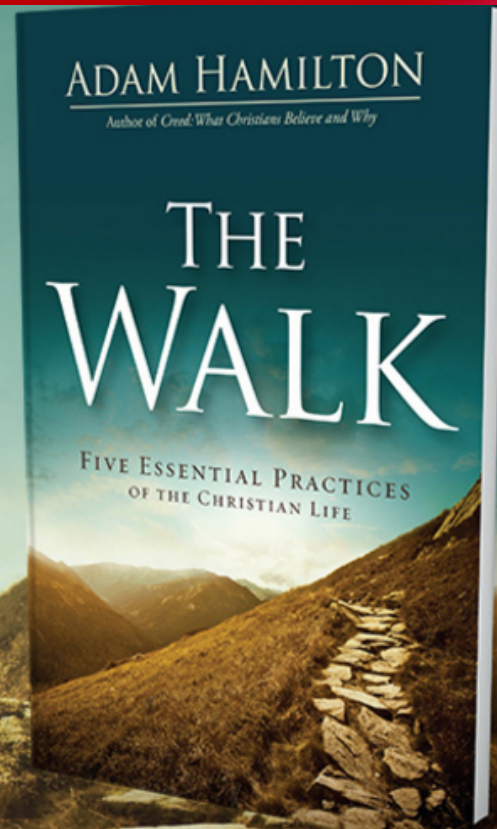


# NEW WINE LITE

Official Newsletter of the Lemont United Methodist Church

Discover five spiritual practices to help you  
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## A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

by Pastor Tim Casey

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 [lemontumc@gmail.com](mailto:lemontumc@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 and search for "The Walk" by Adam Hamilton. You will need to purchase them on your own.

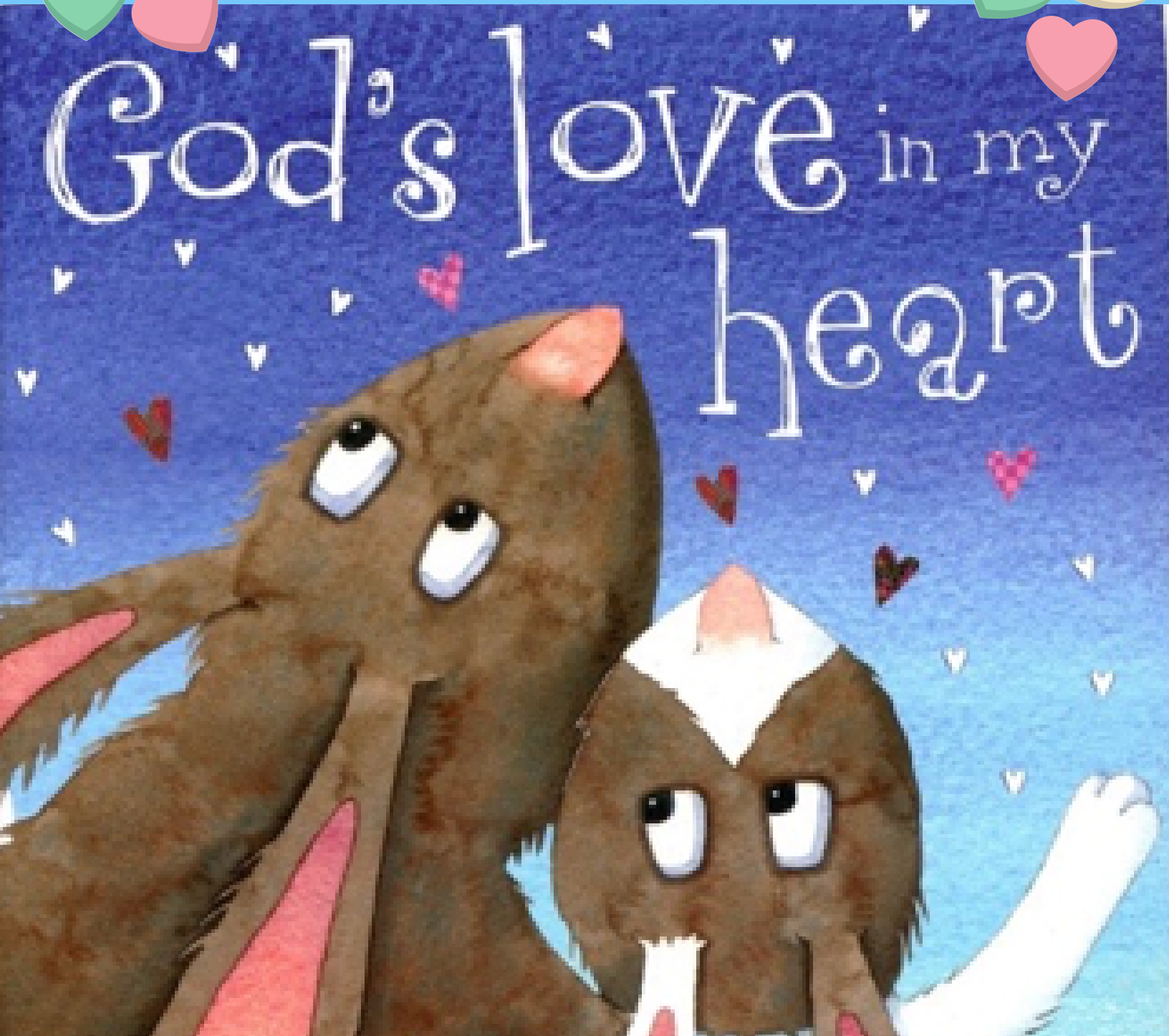
# ***I Dream A World***

*I dream a world where man  
No other man will scorn,  
Where love will bless the earth  
And peace its paths adorn  
I dream a world where all  
Will know sweet freedom's way,  
Where greed no longer saps the soul  
Nor avarice blights our day.  
A world I dream where black or white,  
Whatever race you be,  
Will share the bounties of the earth  
And every man is free,  
Where wretchedness will hang its head  
And joy, like a pearl,  
Attends the needs of all mankind-  
Of such I dream, my world!*

***Langston Hughes***

# JESUS AND ME (JAM)

This Month At Happy Hands



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

PASTOR TIM AND BECKY CASEY MET WITH THE STUDENTS OF HAPPY HANDS ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1 AND WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2022. THEY SHARED 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."

HERE IS THE TAKE HOME PAPER RECAPPING OUR TIME TOGETHER, INCLUDING A PICTURE FOR THE STUDENTS TO COLOR



Today's Book: *God's Love in my Heart* by Nadine Wickenden

What We Learned

God's love in our heart makes us strong and we can do kind and thoughtful things all day long!

- Whose love helped Big and Boo walk all the way home? (God's)
- God's love was as sweet as what? (flowers)
- God's love is so big, bigger than what? (trees)
- God's love paints what in the skies? (rainbows)

Scripture to Remember

*"Dear Friends, let us love one another for love comes from God."* 1 John 4:7a

God Made Me

(Tune: Frere Jacques)

**I am special, I am special**

*(Point to self, one finger, then the other)*

**Don't you see? Don't you see?**

*(Make binoculars with your fingers)*

**Someone very special, someone very special**

*(Hands up next to head, palms up)*

**God made me** *(point to self, one hand)*

**God made me!** *(Point to self, other hand)*

From My Head to my Toes, God loves me

(Tune: If You're Happy and You Know It)



**From my head down to my toes,  
God loves me.**

*(touch head, toes and clap three times)*

**From my head down to my toes, God loves me.**

*(touch head, toes and clap three times)*

**From my head down to my toes, and my eyes  
and ears and nose,**

*(touch head, toes, eyes, ears and nose)*

**From my head down to my toes, God loves me.**

*(touch head, toes and clap three times)*

God Loves ME

God loves me

God loves me

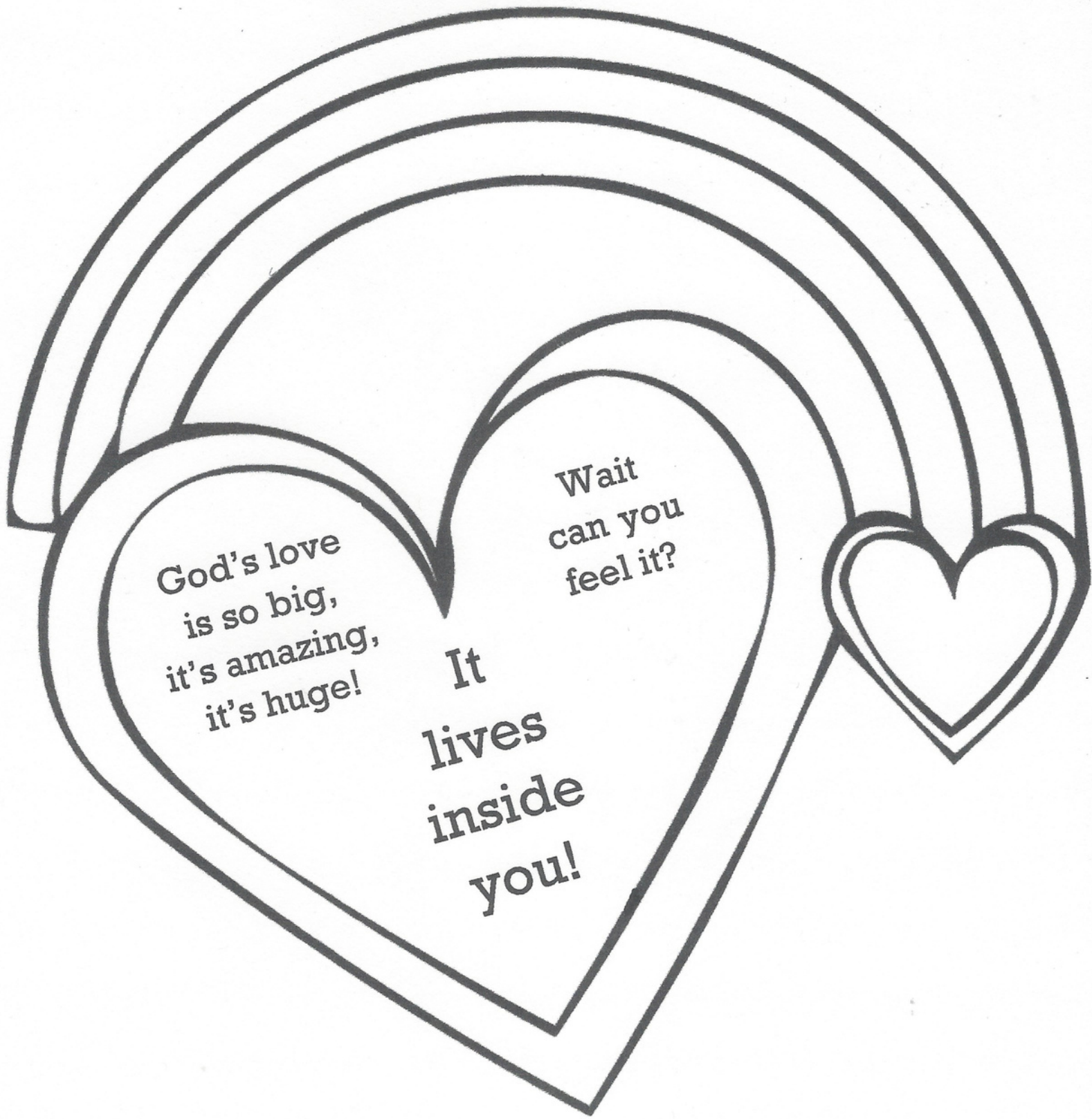
In the bible book It says that

God loves me.



Daily Prayer

*Dear God,  
We are happy that  
you love all of us,  
and call us  
your friends.  
Amen.*



*"Dear Friends, let us love one another for love comes from God."*

**I John 4:7a**

# COMIC VIEW

LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE READINGS (THIS SUNDAY)

GENESIS 45:3-11, 15; PSALM 37:1-11, 39-40; 1 CORINTHIANS 15:35-38, 42-50; LUKE 6:27-38

## LUKE 6:27-38

"AND BY THAT, I MEAN "YES."

IF I BEHAVE THIS WAY, WON'T I BE TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF?

WELL....

THAT'S GOD'S WAY OF BEING. DO YOU THINK GOD IS TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF?

I'D LIKE TO SAY "NO" TO THAT.



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LUKE 6:27-38

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LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE READINGS (NEXT SUNDAY)

EXODUS 34:29-35; PSALM 99; 2 CORINTHIANS 3:12-4:2; LUKE 9:28-36, (37-43)

## 2 CORINTHIANS 3:12 - 4:2

"THAT MOSES. HE'S SUCH A KIDDER!"

NOW WHAT?

I'M TRYING TO UNDERSTAND MOSES' MOTIVATION.

MOSES WORE A VEIL TO HIDE HIS GLOWING FACE AFTER HIS ENCOUNTER WITH GOD. NOT BECAUSE HE WANTED TO BE A BELLY DANCER!

I KNEW THAT.



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2 CORINTHIANS 3:12-4:2

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**February 4 - Loren Kirkman**

**February 7 - Alberta Harden**

**February 11 - Jason Stood**

**February 13 - Priscilla Ludwig**

**February 15 - Leslie Ramos**

**February 15 - Kittiya Laemmer**

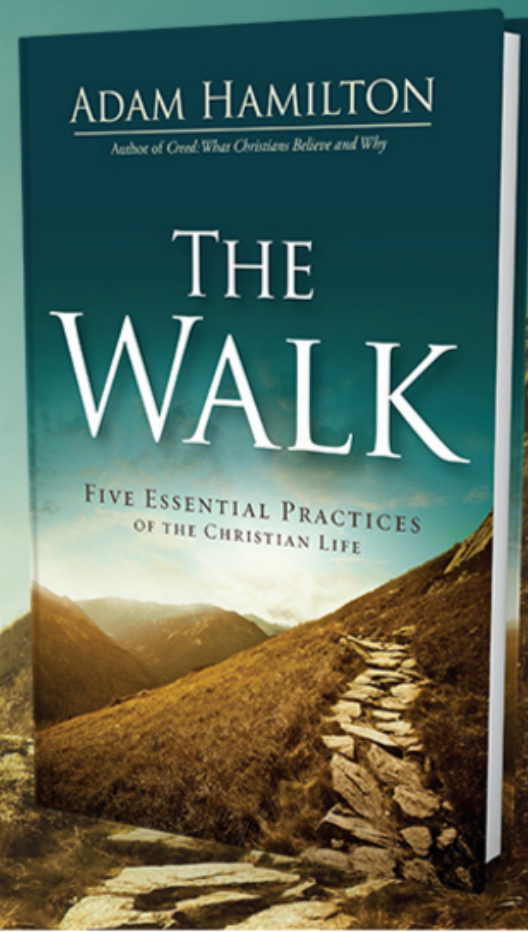
**February 27 - Judy Janovyak**



# 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](http://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

Primetimers will be held, Saturday, at February 19. Please join us at Fork and Spoon at noon. Primetimers is a group of the Lemont Methodist Church. It's for people 50 years old or older (actually we really don't need to know the number of years you have blessed this planet with your being here)...we won't ask you specifically. While we are there besides ordering a meal, we have conversations that YOU choose, and Share things that you choose and hopefully, if needed , speak encouraging words to the others.

Oh, and we always celebrate birthdays.

The people who come are Alberta Harden, besides being a wonderful artist, who has interesting opinions; Priscilla Ludwig, a very determined lady; Mary Jane Nelson, so much fun; Dale Janssen, who tells us about the trustee council; Don Mueggenborg, canoeist and pickle ball player with such an knowledge of the history of Lemont; Joyce Koon, who keeps up with whatever is happening; Willetta and Bill Price, gracious and very knowledgeable; Joanne Goszczycki, who started the group and is so thoughtful in bringing cards for others in not such happy circumstances; and me, Kay Norfleet, I like to listen and contribute to conversations.

KAY NORFLEET  
630-257-6699

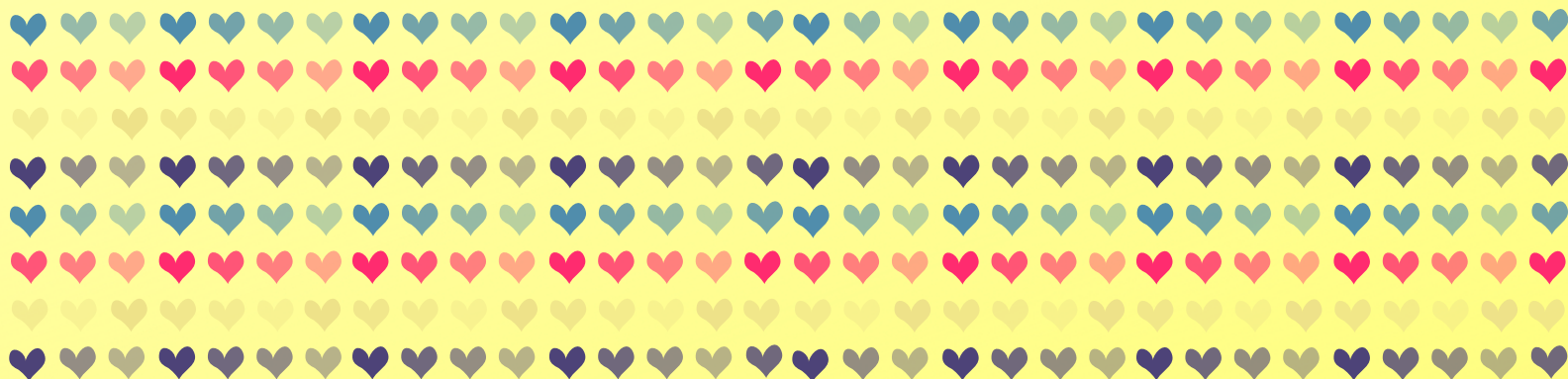
OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE.



# 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.**

**Thank you!**

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



**MARY ENGLUND  
SERVING A PATRON.**



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

**THE OPEN PANTRY NEEDS THESE  
FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

**CANNED DICED TOMATOES  
PASTA SAUCE  
GRAPE JELLY  
PEANUT BUTTER**

# Patron's Comments about the Open Food Pantry.

THEY OFFER THE EXTRA HELP TO MAKE ENDS MEET. THEY ARE WELCOMING, HELPFUL AND HAVE OTHER RESOURCES TO OFFER!

I THINK IT IS PERFECT & MORE THAN YOU CAN ASK FOR!

I WOULDN'T CHANGE ANYTHING!

THE FOLKS ARE VERY FRIENDLY!

GRATEFUL!

THE FOOD PANTRY HELPS ME, AND THE GIFT CARDS HELPS ME PAY FOR NECESSITIES SUCH AS TOILET PAPER, SOAP AND OTHER NEEDS

VERY GRATEFUL FOR EVERYTHING!

I LIKE THE WARMTH, VARIETY AND THE ABILITY TO CHOOSE WHAT I'LL EAT.

I LIKE THE PROXIMITY AND STAFF

The food pantry helps supplement my grocery budget.

WE APPRECIATE EVERYTHING!

# 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) several possibilities for a kidney conation- pray for a match  
Harper – covid & leukemia  
Kevin (Dottie McAdam's oldest son) bone cancer & pneumonia  
Marilyn (Dottie McAdam's daughter) appendix surgery – healing & recovery  
\*Shirley Stout & family – covid  
Earl Groelle (Pastor Tim & Becky's brother-in-law) car accident  
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  
Alan Brown (Wife Pat Brown passed away) and Family  
Amy Cheehy (stepfather Richard Thomas passed away) and Family  
Jordyn (Peg Pecher's granddaughter) Crohn's disease

Those struggling with all kinds of Covid  
Health care workers

\*Church members



# JOIN US ON SOCIAL MEDIA



**You can find us online :**

**Instagram : @lemontumc25**

**Facebook: Lemont United Methodist Church**

**Youtube: Lemont UMC**

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**God loves you!**