



Pastor Mike is available to meet by appointment and can be contacted on his cell phone: (319) 551-3874. Please call first in case he has been called away.



CLOVER RIDGE CHURCH NEWS JULY/AUGUST 2018

A Note from Pastor Mike

Hello Friends,

This newsletter this month is for July and August.

Several things:

1. Please remember your church, God's ministry you vowed to support in your prayers and in your pocket book. Please read Nancy Newberry's report in this newsletter. We are getting low. And you have done so well to step up before. Thank you for all you can do!!!!

2. VBS is coming.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018

"HOLYwood" - Lights Shine Bright

July 23rd - 26th @ 6:00-8:00 PM nightly

Preschool - 5th Grade

Cost: \$5 per child / \$10 per family (meal provided nightly)

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS or we cannot have VBS! Please contact Melissa Werner and let her know you can help. Her phone number is: 319-230-9647. INVITE! This is a great way to reach out into our community! Got neighbors with kids? Give them an informational flier on our VBS! Share Facebook posts about our VBS. Pray for our VBS!!!

The Walford Waddle Race and Walk is coming on Sat. July 21 at 9 am. Carnival opens at 9:30 a.m. We are talking about have an inflatable for the kids. Cari Martin could use helpers. Her phone number is 319-981-0340. Give her a call! Know friends who like to run or walk? Share a flier! Or share a post on Facebook.

We really need you Facebook people to share our church posts!!!!!!!!!!!!!! OK??? You can help us out a lot!

As you are on vacation or weekend trips this summer, I encourage you to visit other churches where you are vacationing! Bring back ideas. And you get to see what it is like being a visitor!!!!

God gave you the blessing of vacation! So go and honor Him with your worship!

Some of you have not been to worship for a long time at our church. I write to encourage you to get back into the habit. You will be blessed! I promise! And the God who gave His only Son for your salvation and blessed you in so many ways is worthy of your worship, praise and thanksgiving. Besides Jesus gave us the example of weekly worship and He commands us to be a active part of His Church. If you are attending another church now, we will miss you and bid you well. But please let me know so I can take you off our church rolls.

Remember our worship time during the summer is 9:00 a.m. each Sunday. On Sunday, September 9, Sunday School will start at 9:00 a.m. and Worship time will move back to 10:00 a.m.

God bless you all!

Pastor Mike

A NOTE FROM OUR TREASURER:

I keep thinking....we can do this – stay positive – keep encouraging thoughts...but, we need help! The funds are once again getting to a **critical** stage, and we need to pray for God to help see us through the summer months. It is true that the quarterly insurance took a rather large bite from our surplus; but, giving has been unable to keep up with needs. I am sorry that I can only tell you exactly where we stand, and if you review the Summary of expenses on the Narthex bulletin board, you will see just how dangerously low the funds are. Following are the basic facts:

Balance: May 29, 2018	\$ 6,673.25
Offerings: May 27 – June 10	\$ 5,279.00
Interest	\$ 3.58
Expenses to end of June	\$10,256.72
Balance to June 22, 2018	\$ 1,699.11

Here are just the big ticket expenses:

Monthly loan payment	\$ 1,650.00
Monthly salary for Pastor	\$ 3,968.32
Monthly Pastor/Health/Pension Billing	\$ 2,074.06
Monthly approximate utilities	\$ 600.00 and up

Which bills should be left unpaid next month? Please pray!

Collections for the expenditure of the outside sign have nearly met the need. The balance of the mortgage is \$222,502.06. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to give me a call at 641-236-6797. Nancy Newberry.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

!!SAVE THE DATE!!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2018

Please join in on a great fundraiser for the church. We start off with a delicious Amana Smoked Ham Dinner followed by an Auction. Be thinking of items or gift cards to be donated to be auctioned off. There are many ways to help out. There will also be a bake sale that night. It is a great night of fun & fellowship. Please come and join us!!

Announcements Continued...

WOMEN'S GROUP NEWS: There were 8 lightweight tables purchased from the May Bake Sale funds for the Fellowship Hall. There was also several hundred dollars to fund the kitchen supply fund which was running low. Thanks to everyone who supported the bake sale.

REMEMBER: Your Church and Needs While You Are Gone
Summer time is a time of vacations and weekend trips. Remember to worship the Lord where ever you are on Sunday and check out a church there. And remember we still have bills to pay here at Clover Ridge UMC and please send a check to:

Clover Ridge UMC
Attention Brandie Gross
P. O. Box 87
Walford, Iowa 52351
Thank you!

BACKPACK TIME ONCE AGAIN!!

We will again be collecting cash donations for school supplies. You may purchase the items or give a cash donation. This is a much needed outreach project for our local schools. Hopefully we can give 12 – 15 backpacks full of supplies to each of the 9 schools in our area. We will be collecting these donations July 1st, 8th, and 15th. If you know anyone in need, please contact Deb Hall or Pastor Mike and they will get you the supplies needed. Thanks supporting this much need project.



You Can Listen To Sermons On-Line

Visit our church website at: <http://www.cloverridgechurch.org> and go to the Media page and follow the links there to listen to past sermons. There are hundreds to choose from. Thank you to Sharyl Voss for putting the mp3s on the web server after each worship service! And thank you to our sound booth personnel who record in the sound booth during worship!

Donate Pop/Beer Cans and Bottles to Support our Youth Group

Our youth group is always taking donations of your used Pop/Beer cans and bottles. There are two boxes in the front entry way to put them. The money redeemed from the cans and bottles goes into our Youth Group Fund.

**Clover Ridge United Methodist Church
PRESENTS**

THE WALFORD WADDLE

**5K Fun Run / 1 Mile Walk
JULY 21, 2018 - 9:00 a.m.**

**Come join us at the Clover Ridge Parking Lot
125 5th St North in Walford, IA**

9:00am: 5k begins-

Enjoy post-race snacks and prizes!

10:00 am: Children's carnival begins!



**A \$20 fee includes entry for 5K or 1 mile route, entrance into the
carnival, T-shirt, and refreshments.**

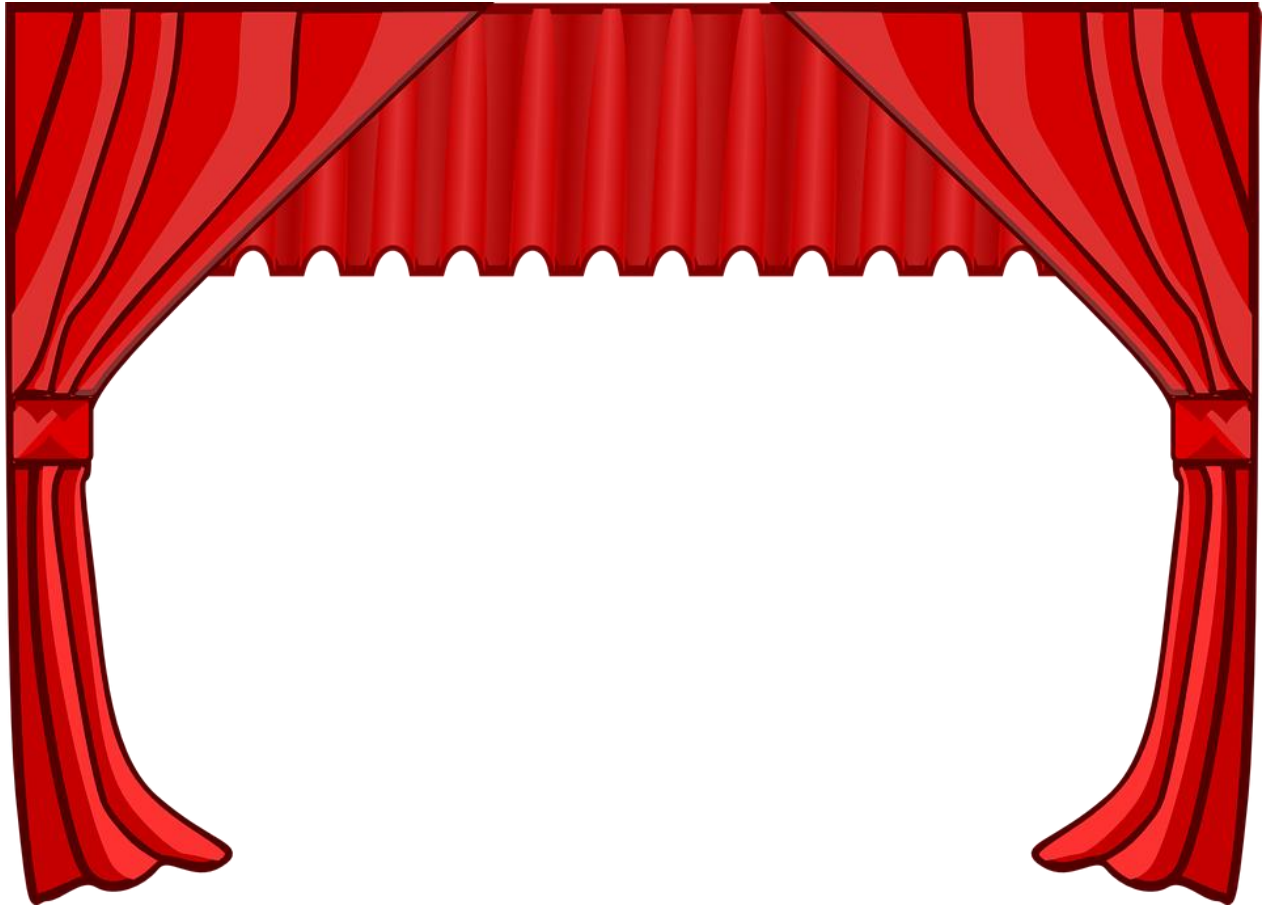
Children under 5: free entry for the Carnival

To preregister and guarantee shirt size, visit: [www.active.com /walford-ia/running/distance-running-races/walford-waddle-2018?int=](http://www.active.com/walford-ia/running/distance-running-races/walford-waddle-2018?int=)

Registration forms also available on race day –

Registration opens @ 8 a.m.

**Contact Cari Martin with any questions at: Carilyn1970@gmail.com or
(319)981-0341**



**CLOVER RIDGE UMC
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2018**

“Holy”wood – Lights Shine Bright

July 23rd – July 26th @ 6:00 – 8:00 PM nightly

Ages: Infant – 5th Grade are welcome!

Cost: \$5 per child / \$10 per family (meal provided nightly)

Join Us for worship, music, crafts, FUN & FELLOWSHIP!

Clover Ridge United Methodist Church

125 5th Street N. Walford, IA 2351

Vacation Bible School Registration Form
Please Fill Out One Form for Each Child

Where: Clover Ridge UM Church, Walford, Iowa
When: Monday, July 23, through Thursday July 26, 2018
Time: 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. each evening

Cost: \$5 per child. If you have more than one child, there is only one charge of \$10 to register all the kids in the family.

Child's First and Last Name _____

Parent(s)

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ email _____

<p>Does your child have any allergies/emergency medications? If so please list-</p>	<p align="center">Please note:</p> <p>1. The children will have dinner here at VBS each evening.</p> <p>2. We will have a Program for Parents /family and friends Thursday evening at 7:30 p.m. here. Please come.</p> <p>3. Check in Registration will be Monday, July 23, 5:30 p.m.-5:50 p.m.</p>
<p>Is there anything else we should know about your child?</p>	<p align="center">We invite you to join us each Sunday for Congregational Worship at 9:00 a.m. Memorial Day Weekend thru Labor Day Weekend.</p> <p align="center">On Sunday, September 9th our Sunday Schedule changes to</p> <p align="center">9:00 a.m Sunday School 10:00 a.m Worship</p>

Please list the name of the individual(s) who is authorized to take them home?

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

If your family is having a financial hardship now, ask about scholarships.
 Contact us at crumc@southslope.net or 319-846-2349 and leave a message.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA JULY 4TH
JULY MILESTONES:**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

**7: Kristy Pash
Kendra Lown
13: Mercy Dolezal
Jake Sommer
17: Andrea Sommer
23: Kathryn Sproat
Marlene Wasendorf
25: Dale Lynn Beebe
27: Taylor Hoskins
30: Sarah Pundt**



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

**9: Kelly & Melissa Werner
18: Gary & Deb Hall
28: Tom & Deb Milligan**



AUGUST MILESTONES:

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

**1: Sharyl Voss
8: Peg Carrothers
11: Tammy Horak
16: Breanne Lown
22: Shane Palmer
25: Cari Martin
26: Rebecca Palmer
27: Gordon Hurlbert
Dale Carrothers
31: Wendell Waggener
Isaac Bahr**



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

**8: Louie & Sheryl Hein
16: Nathan & Brandie Gross
23: Pastor Mike & Pastor Diane Townsley
27: Dennis & Kathy Wilson
31: Don & Cari Martin**



**If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please let
Pastor Mike or Sharyl Voss know. Thank you.**

LAITY IN SERVICE: JULY & AUGUST 2018

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

Contact Pastor Mike If You Can Help With Any of the Blanks Below:
Thank You

JULY 1

Greeters: Larry & Melanie Beltz
Worship Treats: Voss Family &
Ushers: Women of the Congregation
Candle Lighter(s):
Nursery: Stacy Pasker & Haley McNulty

JULY 8

Greeters:
Worship Treats: Doni & Nadine Thompson
Ushers: Youth
Candle Lighter(s):
Nursery: Stacy Pasker &

JULY 15

Greeters: Dorothy Snell &
Worship Treats: Dorothy Snell &
Ushers: Men of the Congregation
Candle Lighter(s):
Nursery: Stacy Pasker &

JULY 22

Greeters:
Worship Treats:
Ushers: Men of the Congregation
Candle Lighter(s):
Nursery: Stacy Pasker &

JULY 29

Greeters:
Worship Treats:
Ushers: Men of the Congregation
Candle Lighter(s):
Nursery: Stacy Pasker &

AUGUST 5

Greeters:
Worship Treats
Ushers: Women of the Congregation
Candle Lighter(s):
Nursery: Stacy Pasker &

AUGUST 12

Greeters:
Worship Treats:
Ushers: Youth
Candle Lighter(s):
Nursery: Stacy Pasker &

AUGUST 19

Greeters:
Worship Treats:
Ushers: Men of the Congregation
Candle Lighter(s):
Nursery: Stacy Pasker &

AUGUST 26

Greeters:
Worship Treats:
Ushers: Men of the Congregation
Candle Lighter(s):
Nursery: Stacy Pasker &

SEPTEMBER 2

Greeters:
Worship Treats:
Ushers: Women of the Congregation
Candle Lighter(s):
Nursery: Stacy Pasker &

Volunteer Church Cleaners Needed

Our church runs on volunteers! We thank God for each and every one of you! The only person who gets paid to do anything in our church is Pastor Mike. We are currently looking for people to clean the church building. Different people have been taking different sections of the building for a month or two. If you can help and we hope you can, please contact Debbie Hall or Shirley Lowe. Thank you!

CLOVER RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

JULY 2018 Calendar

MISSION BASKET: GENERAL FUND

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 No Summer Sunday School 9:00 am Congregational Worship	2	3	4 No Hour of Power Have a blessed Independence Day!	5 Pastor Mike on Vacation July 5-9	6	7
8	9	10	11 11:00 a.m. Hour of Power 7:00 p.m. Church Council	12	13	14
15 Afternoon Fellowship hall rented	16	17	18 11:00 a.m. Hour of Power Prayer	19	20	21 Our church sponsored Walford Waddle 9 am race 10 am Kids Carnival
22	23 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Vacation Bible School	24 6 p.m. to 8 pm Vacation Bible School	25 11:00 a.m. Hour of Power 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Vacation Bible School	26 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Vacation Bible School	27	28
29	30					

CLOVER RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

August 2018 Calendar

MISSION BASKET: GENERAL MISSION FUND

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 <u>No Hour of Power in August</u> 7 pm Trustees Meeting?	3	4	5
No Summer Sunday School 9:00 am Congregational Worship						
6	7	8	9 <u>No Hour of Power in August</u> 7:00 p.m. Church Council	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 <u>No Hour of Power in August</u>	17	18	19 O
20	21	22	23 <u>No Hour of Power in August</u>	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 <u>No Hour of Power in August</u>	31		
Labor Day Sunday worship at 9 am.						

**Clover Ridge United
Methodist Church**

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PO Box 87
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319-846-2349

PASTOR MIKE E-MAIL:
crumc@southslop.net

We're on the Web!
Find us at:
www.cloverridgechurch.org/

Sunday Morning Schedule

Summer Worship Hours:
Sunday Morning Worship - 9:00 a.m.
Wednesday Prayer - 11:00 a.m.

About Our Organization...

**Clover Ridge is a United Methodist
Congregation in Walford, Iowa. Our
church is made up of people from
Walford, Fairfax, Cedar Rapids, Norway,
Amana Colonies, Marengo, and other
places too! We are an evangelical Bible
believing church who loves Jesus
Christ!**



If you have anything to contribute to the September newsletter, please submit it to Pastor Mike or Sharyl Voss @ (609persHING@gmail.com) by Sunday, August 26th. Thank you!

**CLOVER RIDGE CHURCH
PO BOX 87
WALFORD, IA 52351**