

# CLOVER RIDGE CHURCH NEWS

## SEPTEMBER 2018



Pastor Mike is available to meet by appointment and can be contacted on his cell phone: (319)551-3874.

Please call first in case Pastor Mike has been called away

### A NOTE FROM PASTOR MIKE

Anointing with oil, usually olive oil, has been practiced in the church since it was established:

James chapter 5: "14) Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. 15) And the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. 16) Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. 17) Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. 18) And he prayed again, and the Heaven gave rain, and the Earth produced its fruit."

It is practiced with praying for the sick. If you are sick or one of your loved ones is sick and would like us to come and anoint and pray with you, please let me know! We can even do it in a worship service, Or after worship time. Or just about any time by appointment.

When we anoint someone who is sick there are several things involved:

1. The elders, leaders of the church gather to pray with the sick person.
2. We anoint with oil. This means pouring some on the head usually.
3. Confession of sin is involved. We pray a prayer of confession, asking the Lord for His forgiveness.
4. We pray in faith, that God has heard us and will come to our aid.
5. We pray for one another.

James ends up telling us that the fervent prayers of a righteous man (today we would say man or woman) avails much. So let us pray! If you would like to be anointed and prayed for, please let me know. God wants us to do this!

On to the subject of worship **REMEMBER OUR NEW SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE TAKES AFFECT ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9.** On Sunday, September 9, Sunday school for ages 3 (potty trained) through adult will be @ 9:00 am. Then our worship time will move to 10:00 am and will remain at 10 am through Sunday, May 19, 2019.

One more thing! Maybe you have found that you have drifted away from being present in worship on Sundays? Now is a good time to get back to the habit of worshipping the Lord on His Day! He has loved you, offered you forgiveness in Christ, and blessed you in so many ways! Isn't it appropriate that we gather once a week to worship HIM?

Hebrews chapter 10 tells us:

24) And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, 25) not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching. (The Day is our day when we appear before the LORD to give account of our life)

See you Sunday!

May God richly bless you beloved!

Pastor Mike

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Fall Amana Ham and Turkey Supper/Auction/Bake Sale

Saturday, September 29, 2018

The Fall Auction was a tradition at the Walford UMC for many many years and so when Walford UMC joined in to become Clover Ridge UMC we adapted it and continue it to this day. We also have a great Amana Ham or Turkey meal to raise funds for our church budget. It is right before the auction. We will be needing helpers for the meal, and the Auction. This is the biggest fund raiser of the year for our church, and also a fun night for fellowship. I hope you will support your church and attend.

Supper includes beverage and dessert: Adults: \$10.00 / Kids: 6-10 years: \$5.00  
Kids 5 and under: FREE

Serving is from - 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Auction starts at 6:45 p.m.

For more information on the Auction contact Don and Cari Martin (319-981-0341), and information on the Amana Ham Meal talk to Deb Hall or Shirley Lowe.

### HELP SUPPORT OUR FALL SUPPER AND AUCTION FUNDRAISER

Our annual Fall Supper and Auction Fundraiser is coming soon.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2018

Meal serve time is: 5:00 pm to 6:30 pm

Auction start time is: 6:45 pm

How can you support this?

- Pray for this event
- Donate to the Auction if you can
- We need workers at the meal and auction. Volunteer!
- Come out and eat! And come to the auction
- Spread the word! Share on Facebook and tell your friends! Invite!

Amana Ham supper with dessert and beverage

Adults \$10, Kids 6 – 10yrs. \$5, Kids age 5 and under eat free!

### PRAYER SQUARES ARE HERE FOR HELP AND COMFORT

Check out the visitor booth in the lobby. We have prayer squares you may pick up and for yourself or to share! Sharing love in Jesus name! Thank you prayer square providers for your ministry!

### Clover Ridge UMC sponsored Tractor Ride

The tractor ride will be Saturday, September 8, 2018. The tractors will be rolling out at 8 am and will return about 11:45. Then off for the afternoon ride and back by 4 pm. Some folks like to come look at the tractors. How can you help?

- Pray for a safe ride
- If you can bake some homemade cookies, we can use on the afternoon break, please let me know. We will probably need about 6 – 7 dozen.
- If you can make a homemade pie to donate that would be great also.
- Spread the word if you know tractor drivers.

Let me know! Thanks

Pastor Mike

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.....

### Coats, Hats, Mittens and Blankets Collection

Dear Friends of Clover Ridge UMC,

All during September and the first Sunday in October we will be collecting Winter Coats, Winter Hats, Mittens, Gloves and Blankets to help those in need. We hope you can help us. It is a great thing to help those in need to keep warm! Think of how cold it is without those warm things!

Thanks for giving to the Lord.

Ruth Phelps

### REMINDER:

Sunday Morning Schedule Changes: SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 9, 2018.

On Sunday, September 9, our new Sunday morning schedule begins for the school year.

Sunday school: Ages 3 years (potty trained) through Adult: at 9:00 a.m. Congregational Worship will be a 10:00 a.m. We hope to see you there!

### CONGREGATIONAL HELP IS NEEDED!!!

We are asking the Congregation to help out with donating an item or two of baked goods for the Auction Night Bake Sale on September 29<sup>th</sup>. Please have items to the church by Friday morning (September 28<sup>th</sup>) between 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. or other arrangements can be made also by calling Deb Hall (846-7030) or Shirley Lowe (846-2167). The funds raised will go towards Apportionments.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!**

### FAIRFAX LIONS TRIVIA NIGHT

American Legion Hall

213 Main Street

Fairfax, IA 52228

We are looking for teams to come and join in the fun! Here are the details:

Saturday, October 13, 2018 @ the American Legion Hall in Fairfax

Time: 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm

- \$10/person (cash or check)
- A max of 8 people per table
- Optional: 5 mulligan's for \$5 (limit one set of five per table)
- Walking tacos and desserts starting at 5:00 pm (free will offering accepted)
- Cash bar – soft drinks and beer available
- You're welcome to bring your own snacks, NO beverages. Please support the American Legion bar!

Contact Tim Hoskins and Pastor Mike if you are interested. We are trying to get some teams rounded up!

The Lions are also looking for more members. Both male and female are welcome. We help people see and do public service projects.

**Clover Ridge VBS 2018 was a success!!! We had 14 children, plus two infants participate with us this year during the week of July 23rd. Our theme was Holy Word Studies, which had a focus on showing the children how they could be the stars of God's movie.**

**On Monday our group learned their first action phrase of the week - "God Cares For Us"! During the lesson, Cathy Hoskins presented the children with a challenge and asked them to think of a baby that they were familiar with and secretly and safely get that baby to the river and place it in a basket with the Egyptian guard (Randy Hoskins) catching them. Then they watched as Pharaoh's daughter (Taylor Hoskins) rescued Moses from the river basket and took responsibility to raise him as her own child. We began learning a few songs to perform for the parents at the end of the week. We also played the game "Pharaoh, Pharaoh, Moses" - a twist on the popular Duck, Duck, Goose - to use up some of the kids' energy.**

**On Tuesday night, the group learned our next action phrase - "God protects us!" During the bible lesson, the kids learned about the plagues and the destruction that they caused for the Egyptians because Pharaoh would not let the enslaved Israelite people leave Egypt. Pharaoh (Randy Hoskins), was a great sport, while the children attacked by storms of cotton balls – a.k.a hail - and other examples of these plagues. Our craft was making T-shirts for the children to take home at the end of the week.**

**On Wednesday night, the group learned the action phrase - "God loves us!" We learned about The Passover and how God kept the Israelite people safe after they painted blood (red marker) on their doors outside their homes. The kids also were given the experience of walking through the Red Sea on dry "land" as God parted the waters. Our final night, "It's a Wrap," was Thursday and the group learned their final action phrase for the week - "God Saves Us!". The kids wore their T-shirt's for the program, which had bible stories, kiddos singing their hearts out, clapboards, ice cream sundaes and popcorn!! Thank you to the Youth Group for funding the meals and to the Women's Group for taking the time to prepare and serve the food to the children each night. Thank you to all of the teachers, helpers, prayer partners and those who contributed by gifting donations!**

**We can't wait for 2019!**

**NOTE FROM THE TREASURER: Blessings to all! Clover Ridge has again responded compassionately by taking care of immediate commitments! I cannot thank you enough for reacting so quickly to our recent letter. In reality, the summer has been quite hectic with activities. But, you have been faithful to see Clover Ridge bills through the lull of summertime giving. I am just "over the top" grateful! Here is the synopsis of activity since June:**

<b>Balance to June 22, 2018</b>	<b>\$ 1,699.11</b>
<b>Offerings: June 17 – 24</b>	<b>\$ 5,374.61</b>
<b>Offerings: July 1 – 29</b>	<b>\$16,104.00</b>
<b>Offerings: August 5</b>	<b>\$ 1,400.00</b>
<b>Interest</b>	<b>\$ 6.46</b>
<b>Expenses thru end of July</b>	<b>\$ 8,274.74</b>
<b>Expenses thru end of August</b>	<b>\$ 8,164.98</b>
<b>Balance to August 25, 2018</b>	<b>\$ 8,144.46</b>

**Missions Committee instructed a payment of \$500 to the benefit of the flood and tornado victims in Iowa through the conference. These funds came from your July special mission offerings totaling \$396, and the remainder came from the general mission basket offerings, \$104. Your mission funds were also sent to the Wilson and Hunt families, \$100 each. The mortgage balance is \$220,748.51. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to give me a call @ 641-236-6797.**

**Nancy Newberry**

## SEPTEMBER MILESTONES

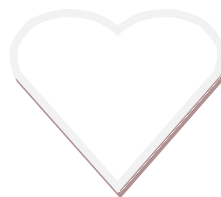
### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

- 1: Bailie Donahue
- 2: Debbie Kennedy, Roger Lowe
- 4: Nikki Poolaw
- 8: Kaylene Thompson, Taylor Rawson
- 9: Lance Sommer
- 10: Brittany Perkins
- 11: Larry Beltz
- 12: Pastor Mike Townsley
- 13: Rhett Ferry, Nancy Africa
- 14: Dorothy Waln
- 16: Alison Horak
- 20: George Martin
- 24: Debbie Hall
- 25: Gracie Bahr
- 27: Hannah Gross
- 28: Melanie Beltz
- 30: Kristin Ward



### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:

- 2: Bud & Mary Northup  
Scott & Ursula Williams
- 10: Gary & Diane Albers
- 22: Chad & Heather Christ
- 24: Roger & Shirley Lowe
- 27: Ken & Rose Gordon



## LAITY IN SERVICE: SEPTEMBER

### SEPTEMBER 2

**Greeters:** Gary & Deb Hall  
**Snacks:** Deb Hall & Betty Smith  
**Ushers:** Women of the Congregation  
**Candle Lighter(s):** Emma Werner  
**Nursery:** Stacy Pasker & Deb Hall

### SEPTEMBER 16

**Greeters:** Joann Beltz & Ramona Heller  
**Snacks:** Joann Beltz & Shirley Lowe  
**Ushers:** Men of the Congregation  
**Candle Lighter(s):**  
**Nursery:** Stacy Pasker &

### SEPTEMBER 30

**Greeters:** Dann & Shari Harwood  
**Snacks:** Shari Harwood &  
**Ushers:** Men of the Congregation  
**Candle Lighter(s):**  
**Nursery:** Stacy Pasker &

### Sunday School Starts & Worship @ 10:00

#### SEPTEMBER 9

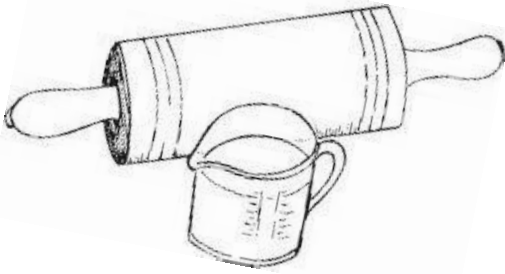
**Greeters:** Louie & Sheryl Hein  
**Snacks:** Sheryl Hein & Dorothy Snell  
**Ushers:** Youth of the Congregation  
**Candle Lighter(s):**  
**Nursery:** Stacy Pasker &

#### SEPTEMBER 23

**Greeters:** Marlene W. & Nancy A.  
**Snacks:** Marlene W. & Nancy A.  
**Ushers:** Men of the Congregation  
**Candle Lighter(s):**  
**Nursery:** Stacy Pasker &

#### OCTOBER 7

**Greeters:** Terry & Sharyl Voss, Chelsey  
**Snacks:**  
**Ushers:** Women of the Congregation  
**Candle Lighter(s):** Chelsey Voss  
**Nursery:** Stacy Pasker &



**CLOVER RIDGE WOMEN'S GROUP  
ANNUAL BAKE SALE  
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2018**

**AT CLOVER RIDGE U.M. CHURCH (WALFORD)  
IN CONJUNCTION WITH A DINNER & AUCTION  
STARTING AT 5:00 P.M.**



**HOME-MADE PIES  
BARS  
CANDIES  
BREADS  
COOKIES  
KOLACHES**



**THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!!**

**CLOVER RIDGE U.M. CHURCH  
ANNUAL FALL SUPPER /AUCTION / BAKE SALE**



**DATE: SEPTEMBER 29<sup>TH</sup>, 2018 (SATURDAY)**

**TIME: SERVING @ 5:00 – 6:30 P.M. (AUCTION TO BEGIN @ 6:45)**

**LOCATION: 125 5<sup>TH</sup> STREET N., WALFORD  
CLOVER RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN**

**SUPPER MENU: AMANA SMOKED HAM  
PARTY POTATOES – VEGTABLE –  
VARIETY OF JELLO SALADS – FRESH BAKED ROLLS –  
CAKE OR DESSERT BAR – BEVERAGE**

**COST: ADULT - \$10.00**


**CHILDREN – (6 TO 10 YEARS OLD) \$5.00**

**CHILDREN – 5 years and under FREE**

**COME OUT FOR A NIGHT OF FUN AND FELLOWSHIP!!!**

**CARRY OUTS AVAILABLE**

# CLOVER RIDGE UMC: SEPTEMBER 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9:00 a.m. worship  Wear work clothes to worship!	Labor Day		11:00 am Hour of Power Prayer  7 p.m Trustees Meeting?			8 CRUMC Tractor Ride Today!
	9	10	11	12	13	14
NEW Sunday Schedule  9:00 a.m. Sunday School  10:00 a.m. Worship			11:00 am Hour of Power Prayer  7:00 p.m. Church council			15
	16	17	18	19	20	21
9:00 a.m. Sunday School  10:00 a.m. Worship			11:00 am_Hour of Power Prayer			22
	23	24	25	26	27	28
9:00 a.m. Sunday School  10:00 a.m. Worship			11:00 am_Hour of Power Prayer		Supper/Action Prep Day	29 Evening- Fall Supper and Auction Fundraiser!
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9:00 a.m. Sunday School  10:00 a.m. Worship				Pastor Mike is also available by appt. call 319- 551-3874		



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[www.cloverridgechurch.org](http://www.cloverridgechurch.org)

**SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE**  
**SEPTEMBER 2, 2018. Worship @ 9:00 a.m.**

**Starting SEPTEMBER 9, 2018**

**Sunday school: 9:00 a.m.**

**Sunday Morning Worship: 10:00 a.m. – 11:15 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, and Cedar Rapids, Norway, Amana Colonies, Marengo, Walker and other places too. We are an evangelical Bible believing church who loves Jesus Christ.



**If you have anything to contribute to the October Newsletter, Please submit it to Pastor Mike or Sharyl Voss ([609pershing@gmail.com](mailto:609pershing@gmail.com)) by Sunday, September 23, 2018. Thanks! Please let the church know if you have moved or no longer wish to receive this newsletter.**

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