

Regular Programs Each Week

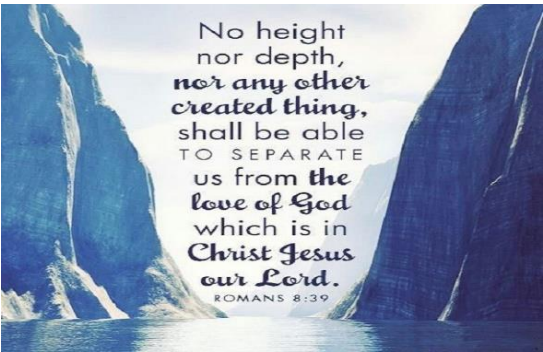
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LeRoy
Presbyterian Church
9th Sunday after Pentecost
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Welcome and Announcements

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*Hymn 319 vs 1 & 2

Draw Me Nearer

Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord’s Prayer

Scripture Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 & Genesis 29:15-28 & Romans 8:26-39

Children’s Time

Sermon “It’s Worth Working For”

Ed Coffey

*Hymn 199 vs 1 & 3

Only Trust Him

Offering Invitation and Offering

*Doxology (inside front cover of Hymnal)

***Prayer of Dedication**

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In the communion of the Holy Spirit, we are joined together in discipleship and in obedience to Christ. At the table of the Lord we celebrate with thanksgiving the saving acts and presence of Christ.

Within the universal church, we receive the gift of ministry and the light of scripture. In the bonds of Christian faith we yield ourselves to God that we may serve the One whose kingdom has no end. Blessing, glory, and honor be to God forever. Amen.

***Hymn 277 vs 1 & 3**

Jesus Is All the World to Me

***Benediction**

***Passing of the Peace**

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All: Peace and joy. The peace of Christ Jesus be unto us all.

**please stand as you are able*

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Romans 8:26-39

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²⁸ And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. ²⁹ For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. ³⁰ And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

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**VBS @ LeRoy**  
Saturday, August 5  
9:00 am – 2:00 pm  
All Children and Helpers Welcome!  
Pre-Register with Janni or Betty  
Or at church office

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**Pastor Donna in Kentucky at
DOC General Assembly**
July 27 – August 2
Call Diane Schroeder for emergencies
641-203-6060

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**Parish Council Meeting**  
Wednesday, August 2 @ 6:00 pm

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Alzheimer's Dementia Walk
August 26 @ HCUMC
Registration @ 8:00 am
Walk begins @ 9:00 am
Pre-Register Now
Registration forms available at Snyder's,
Humeston Post Office, or Church Office

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**First Day of School is August 23**  
For Mormon Trail and Central Decatur  
Begin collecting School Supplies NOW  
School supply list and collection box in entryway



# PRAYER REQUESTS

Names will remain on the prayer list for two Sundays following the first request.

## Concerns

**Family of Kenneth Graham**  
**Jan** – took a spill on RAGBRAI  
**David** – mother of newborn diagnosed with cancer, Roma Gray's granddaughter  
**Bill** – hospitalized for heart attack  
**Linda** – surgery recovery  
**Dave** – chemo treatments again  
**Travel Mercies** – Donna and Jan's trip to Louisville, KY  
**Jane** – broken pelvis, Jill McBroom's mother  
**Josh** – battling lymphoma and stroke, Linda Richardson's grandson  
**Kinsley** – leukemia treatments, great granddaughter of Tom & Linda Watkins

## Celebrations

**Soiyer Smith** – Pride of Iowa 2<sup>nd</sup> team catcher  
**Kaleb** – goat had triplets, Terry & Belva Snow's grandson  
**Caden** – 1<sup>st</sup> team All District & Pride of Iowa 2<sup>nd</sup> team, Terry & Belva's grandson  
**Linda & Tom Watkins' family members** – visiting from Puerto Rico  
**Lottie Green** – 102<sup>nd</sup> birthday, Paul Schnoor's former mother-in-law  
**Janell Street's family members home in Minnesota from mission field**  
**County Fairs and our participants**  
**Mr. & Mrs. Cole Zimmerman**  
**Watermelon Day**

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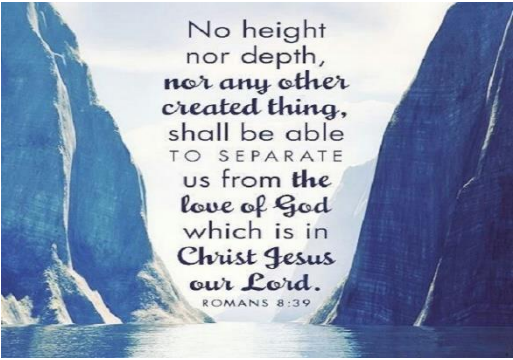
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\*Hymn 419 vs. 1 - 4 I Am Thine, O Lord

Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer & Lord’s Prayer # 896

Scripture Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 & Genesis 29:15-28 & Romans 8:26-39

Children’s Time

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\*Hymn 405 vs 1 & 2 Seek Ye First

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\*Doxology Hymn 95

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**\* Invitation to discipleship**

**\*Hymn 540 vs 1 - 5**

*I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord*

**\*Benediction**

**\*Hymn 672 vs 1**

*God Be with You*

**\*Passing of the Peace**

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