This Week

Sun.,	Nov. 1	**All Saints Day**	
		Adult Discussion Group	9:30 AM
		Worship Service, Children's Church	10:45 AM
		Children's Christmas Program Practice	5:00-6:00 PM
		Youth Group	6:00-7:30 PM
Mon.,	Nov. 2	Exercise Your Faith	1:30 PM
Tues.,	Nov. 3	Trustees Mtg.	6:30 PM
Wed.,	Nov. 4	JAM	6:15-7:45 PM
		Chancel Choir	7:00 PM
		Cantata Rehearsal	8:00 PM
Sat.,	Nov. 7	Youth Skate Night	5:30-8:30 PM

Upcoming

Sun.,	Nov. 8	**Consecration Sunday**	
		Adult Discussion Group	9:30 AM
		Worship Service, Children's Church	10:45 AM
		Catered Celebration Lunch, RSVP by Nov. 5th	
		Children's Christmas Program Practice	5:00-6:00 PM
		Youth Group	6:00-7:30 PM
Mon.,	Nov. 9	Exercise Your Faith	1:30 PM
		City Council	6:30 PM
Tues.,	Nov. 10	Ad Council	6:30 PM
Wed.,	Nov. 11	JAM	6:15-7:45 PM
		Chancel Choir	7:00 PM
		Cantata Rehearsal	8:00 PM

The Grapevine

I am the vine; you are the branches. John 15:5

SUNDAY, Nov. 1, 2026

Van Meter UMC

The Grapevine is a weekly publication designed to enhance our church communications. The deadline to submit material is Wednesday at 8:00 AM. Call the office at 515.996.2572 or email your information to *office@vmumc.com*.

All Saints Day



Charge Conference

The annual charge conference gathering is next month.

DeSoto UMC
Sunday, Nov. 15th
2:00 pm

All members are invited to attend as ministry goals for 2027 are approved. Contact the church or Pastor Cathy for more information.

Adel Good Samaritan Food Pantry

Dish Detergent is the personal care item of the month. Place your donations in the tub marked in the entryway.
Thanks for the donations!
All donations are greatly appreciated.



MISSION OF THE MONTH: JOPPA

Joppa helps homeless people survive, find housing, and rebuild their lives. Their mission is to create communities of unconditional love, support and hope for the homeless as we work together to end homelessness in the Des Moines area.

During the month of November we will be collecting winter coats, hats, mittens, and socks. There will be a donation tote set up in the entryway. Deadline for all donations is November 30th.

"In Joppa, there was a disciple named Tabitha; she was always doing good and helping the poor" - Acts 9:36, NIV



HUGE NOTE OF THANKS

It was a beautiful night & a great turnout for Trunk or Treat. Thanks to everyone who volunteered & donated to this annual event.























Please Pray For ...

those under medical care
Abbie(Courtney's friend), Annette(Kim's friend), Tom H. & family(son of Sherry H.), Kim(Marva's friend), Todd B., Jeremiah and Jackson(Cody J's nephews), Geri R., baby Lydia(Pastor Cathy's granddaughter) and her parents Emily and Stephen, Roger C., Clark and Mary M.(Holly G's parents), Bailey B., Betty J., Kathleen G., Melvis J., Gene D., Nyla P., Ila T.

those recovering (from illness, abuse, natural disasters, loss)

those living with challenges (immigrants, caregivers, refugees, disabled)

those in harm's way (in war zones, first responders, medical professionals, people defending civil liberties)

communities with immigrant populations

those who grieve

Our deepest sympathy to the family & friends of Keith Gunzenhauser who recently passed away.

Kids Shopping Day

This is a long standing tradition for kids to shop garage sale-priced items to give as gifts.

Donations can be brought to the church starting **November 19th**.

Clean, new or gently used items such as toys, games, puzzles, knick-knacks, jewelry, hats, unopened lotions, ties, gloves, tools, etc. are appreciated. **NO CLOTHING PLEASE.**

You can also donate gift bags and tissue paper, no boxes or wrapping paper please, to minimize wrapping time.

Thanks for your support to help those in need and in helping provide a memorable day.

