

# East Union Mennonite Church

5615 Gable Ave. SW, Kalona, Iowa 319-656-2590 Pastor Jay Miiller  
 Elders: Paulette Hershberger, Larry Detweiler,  
 Lauralee Kauffman, Jeff Swartzentruber

## Mission Statement:

*East Union Mennonite Church is a community of love and worship<sup>3</sup>  
 where the Scriptures and the Spirit guide all to faithful living,<sup>1</sup>  
all are welcome to grow in the way of Jesus,<sup>2</sup>  
 and we share God's love with others in word and service,<sup>4</sup>  
 so that we are a light of hope here and around the world.<sup>5</sup>*

**Save the date!** The Pleasantview Benefit Sale will be **November 8th and 9th at IMS** in a similar format to last year. How can YOU help? Volunteer to help serve a meal, serve on a committee, bake for the bake sale, donate a monetary gift, or donate an auction item such as: quilts, meals in homes, hand-made items, gift certificates, donations of labor, themed baskets, a batch of soup or a cake delivered every month for 6-12 months, etc. **When possible, we would like items by October 31st to put pictures on pvhome.org.** Remember, all proceeds will be matched this year by an anonymous donor (up to \$75,000)! Committee members: Nyle and Lauralee Kauffman (354-3304), Arlis and Loretta Helmuth (656-2050), Cheryl Martin Miller (319-331-3190), Carl and Donna Darby (887-7097), Grace Rempel (683-2681), Julie Gingerich at Pleasantview (656-2421).

## Attendance Last Sunday:

Morning Service - 158 Sunday School - 137

## Giving through 9.08.13

Last Week's Giving	\$5,941.00
Year to Date Gifting	\$204,932.89
Avg. Weekly Needed	\$7,114.06
Weeks left in Budget year	17
New Roof Fund YTD	\$1,840.00

Bulletin announcements should be in the office by 9:30 a.m. on Fridays.  
 E-mail address for bulletin announcements: [Joyceschrock@hotmail.com](mailto:Joyceschrock@hotmail.com)  
 East Union Web Site: [eastunionmennonite.org](http://eastunionmennonite.org)

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Worship Leader:	Marv Rempel
Sermon:	Jay Miiller
Pre-Service, Offertory, Postlude:	Stirred
Congregational Singing:	Stirred

9:15 am Pre-service  
 9:30 am Worship

## WORSHIP

Call to Worship: HWB 813  
 Congregational Singing/Prayer  
 Sharing: Testimony, Concerns and Prayer  
 Scripture: Matthew 18:1-9  
 First Fruits Offering  
 Business of the Community of Faith  
 Commissioning of Congregation and Elder: Jeff Swartzentruber  
 Sermon Scripture: Jude 3-4, 20-23  
 Sermon: "Becoming Legitimate Contenders of the Faith"  
 Song of Response  
 Parting Song  
 Sending:  
 Postlude  
 Dismissal followed by 15 minutes of coffee/fellowship time

10:45 am Sunday School

***For Parents/Caregivers of Young Children:***

The Nursery Rooms at the back of the church (located to the right as you enter the sanctuary) are available as quiet rooms for infants during the worship service. This area is not staffed during the worship service, but is staffed during the Sunday School hour. If you have a “noisy” infant, we suggest you take the child to the Toddler Room (room #47 up the back hallway). This room is also available for children (up to 5 years of age) for play during the worship service and is staffed during both the worship service (after the opening songs) and Sunday School hour.

**Toddler Room Staff during Worship Service today: Kara & Steve Groenewold**

**Toddler Room Staff during Worship Service next Sunday: Bev Swartzentruber & Grace Rempel**

**Toddler Room Helpers during Sunday School for September: Beth Swartzendruber & Elvesta Hochstedler**

**Toddler Room Helpers during Sunday School for October: Jed & Kailee Seward**

**PRAYER REMINDERS**

**Oskaloosa Care Center: Marilyn Yutzy**

**College Students: Carmen Fernau, Tommy Rhodes, Christian Swartzentruber**

**Serving in MCC in Canada: Jen, Kerry, Idonea & Halid Saner-Harvey**

**From Last Week's Sharing Time: Landon Slabaugh in Peru; Will Dehogues in Guatemala; Carrie's friend Cindy Blake with breast cancer; Kevin Johnson - critical condition**

**We intercede to God on behalf of: East Union brothers and sisters who are lonely, grieving, in pain, need healing or employment, or are carrying heavy burdens.**

**Global Concerns**

**Iglesia Centro Cristiano & Pastor Martha Hernandez**

**From Mennonite Missions Network: In a country where following Jesus is not authorized, a Christian counselor thanks God for a MMN woman whose ministry includes developing discipleship materials and translating Christian literature. Pray for safety & encouragement for mission workers and Christians who communicate God's love in countries such as this one.**

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***Reminder to sign up for work visits.***

***To all MarriageCare Mentors and Mentorees:*** You are invited to the Fall MarriageCare Potluck in the fellowship hall on Sunday, Oct. 13 at noon. Please bring two dishes to share. RSVP to Janet or Karen by Oct. 6. If you would like child care please contact Kendra by Oct. 1.

***Mark your calendars:*** We will hold 2 training sessions about East Union's Sexual Misconduct policy on Sunday, October 20th. The first session will take place in the sanctuary during the Sunday School hour. The 2nd presentation will be held at 2:00 pm, also in the sanctuary. Everyone who works with youth in the church will need to attend one of the sessions. Please watch your mailboxes for more information in the coming weeks!

***Anyone interested in the enrollment/admissions efforts of IMS*** is invited to a 6 pm meeting at the school on Mon., Sept. 23. Director of Enrollment Candi Schmieder will facilitate the gathering and invite input on the school's efforts to attract more students. Please contact her for further information.

***Peace Pies and Prophets*** is coming to the area! The popular performance by Ted Swartz of *Ted & Co.* fame will make an appearance at IMS on Sat., Oct. 12. It's the same evening as the annual Junior Class Pork Supper, so come and enjoy dinner and a show. Meal tickets are available from any IMS junior (or by calling the office), and there is no admission charge for the show in Celebration Hall . . . although there will be free-will offering along with a pie auction as a part of the show. Proceeds from the show will benefit both *Christian Peacemaker Teams* and IMS; your support will be much appreciated! Everence is helping sponsor the event, and the local JPOG group is also lending a hand in securing pies and volunteers. It promises to be a fun evening, which begins with the meal (4-7 pm); live music at 6:30; and the show at 7:30. Please contact Larry Swartzendruber at IMS for more information.

***Coffee Sign Up.*** The same people have been taking turns making the coffee between church and Sunday school for the past several years. Now is your turn to sign up to be put on this list so that coffee time can continue. If you have been on the list in the past and still want to help out making coffee please sign up on the signup sheet by the Library or let Judy Showalter know. And if you are new and want to take your turn for the next year to keep the coffee time going, please put your name on the signup sheet too. The new rotation will start in October.

***Crowded Closet is seeking to fill a temporary position*** (September through December) of Receiver/Backroom Assistant. We are looking an individual with an outstanding work ethic who is committed to helping others. If you are interested in joining our team please request an application. Positions will be filled immediately as qualified candidates are identified.

***Quilts, comforters, and wall hangings*** for the Pleasantview Home Benefit Sale (November 8 & 9) should be taken to Stitch 'N Sew in Kalona or given to any quilt committee member by **September 20th** so they may be displayed at area businesses and banks. Please include the following information: 1) name of donor, 2) name of quilt pattern, 3) finished measurements, and 4) any information of interest about the item. Quilts continue to be a big part of the sale; we thank you for your support. (Quilt Committee: Norma Brenneman (646-2793), Rose Ropp (656-2845), Dorothy Yoder (683-3270), and Jane Miller (656-2121).

**SENIOR DAY, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3: HEALTH & HEALING.**

You don't want to miss this chance to hear Jep Hostetler present on how humor can affect our health through two interactive workshops. Also, the talented Bob Birkey will perform old hymns on guitar. The day is \$20 and we will provide lunch and entertainment from 9am-2pm. All adults interested in this program are welcome. It is not exclusive to Senior Citizens. **Please RSVP** by calling the camp at 319-653-3611 or by going to our website [www.crookedcreekcamp.org](http://www.crookedcreekcamp.org) and registering online under the program page. This day is going to be great. Don't miss out!

**THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES**

**Today, September 15**

- ***Women's Bible Study at 3:30 pm at the church.***

**Tuesday, September 17**

- ***Any and all local 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> grade students are invited*** to the IMS home volleyball match. Between the JV and varsity games, ice cream will be served in the cafeteria. Come get to know other potential IMS students; contact Candi Schmieder for more information.

**Wednesday, September 12**

- ***Choir*** practice at 7 pm.

**Next Sunday, September 22**

- ***Chronicle articles for October are due.***