

# East Union Mennonite Church

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 Elders: Paulette Hershberger, Larry Detweiler,  
 Lauralee Kauffman, Jeff Swartzentruber

## Mission Statement: (Core Values Underlined)

*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 - 157 Sunday School - 118

## Giving through 9.29.13

Last Week's Giving	\$3,585.00
Year to Date Giving	\$220,637.39
Avg. Weekly Needed	\$7,516.76
Weeks left in Budget year	14
New Roof Fund YTD	\$1,860.00

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:	Gerald Yoder
Sermon:	Jay Miiller
Pre-Service, Postlude:	Nici Bontrager
Congregational Singing:	Steve Groenewold
Special Music, Offertory:	Trent, Sam & Henry Yoder
Annual Reports	Greg Schmidt, Jeff Swartzentruber

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

## WORSHIP

Call to Worship: Psalm 89:1-4  
 Congregational Singing/Prayer  
 Sharing: Testimony, Concerns and Prayer  
 Congregational Song  
 Scripture: Isaiah 53:1-6  
 First Fruits Offering  
 Business of the Community of Faith  
 Special Music  
 Devotional, Communion, Footwashing, Covenant Signing  
 Congregational Song  
 Annual Reports  
 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: Wanda Yoder & Jenna Boller**

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

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

**Toddler Room Helpers during Sunday School for November: Doug & Pam Stoltzfus**

**PRAYER REMINDERS**

**Pleasantview Residents: Charlotte Winborn, Marguerite Zook**

**Continued Concerns: Loretta Kauffman**

**College Students: Emily Higdon, Anya Slabaugh**

**From Last Week's Sharing Time: Betsy's sister: Joan; leaders in government**

**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: A series of Masters' level theology courses begins today in Ukraine. Pray for Mary Raber of MMN as she helps to coordinate this learning experience for the next 10 days. May she have time to relate to the students while continuing her other teaching and writing responsibilities.**

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***We are checking to see if there is interest*** in a service trip to Honduras. At this point we are just wanting to know if there is interest. We will decide when we go and how long we stay after we find out how many want to go and when it suits. We are planning to go to La Ceiba and work at the orphanage where the Koinonia SS class is sponsoring 2 kids. If you are interested, talk to Larry Detweiler or Nelson Miller.

***East Union's Sexual Misconduct policy review*** will be held on Sunday, October 20th. It is important for all persons who (at the present time or who may in the future) work with or teach our children, as well as all paid employees, participate in this review. You may attend one of two 1 hour sessions on October 20th; the first session will take place in the sanctuary during the Sunday School hour and the 2nd presentation will be held at 2:00 pm, also in the sanctuary. These meetings are open to anyone interested, but mandatory to those in present positions of concern. Being knowledgeable of safe procedure is the beginning of proactively providing a safe environment for worship and learning.

***Starting Oct. 13 and meeting every other week,*** there will be an adult Sunday School elective meeting in the center room of the balcony. The Shekinah class has started to view the Nooma series. Anyone who is interested is invited to join them. The Nooma CD's are a series of short films (10-14min). They use experiences of our lives to teach about fullness of life through Jesus, tackling issues like forgiveness, discipleship, and unconditional love.

***Please consider hiring one or more IMS students*** on October 18 for the *Fall Work Day* . . . and in the process support the school's *Student Aid Fund*. Students are available to do yard work, cleaning or any jobs, with all wages turned in to the school in support of financial assistance. Please call Mary Lou Gingerich at the school for more information.

***KIDS AGAINST HUNGER*** annual community wide packaging event will be held Saturday, October 26th at the Yoder Auction Building in Frytown. We are inviting your church/small group/Sunday school class/youth group to participate. We will be packaging 8:00 AM until noon. To schedule your work time contact Ellis or Marcia Miller at 319 656-3242 or [marcia@kctc.net](mailto:marcia@kctc.net).

***Crowded Closet News*** - Now that fall has come, you can warm up your kitchen by making baked goods for the Bake Sale on **Saturday, October 19**. Proceeds go directly to Mennonite Central Committee. A year ago we had a huge selection of freshly made goodies, so let's do it again! Bread - both yeast and quick breads, rolls, cookies & bars, pies, cakes of all kinds, muffins & cupcakes, noodles and peppernuts are suggested. An evening bake-a-thon would be a good social activity for a Sunday School class to take on. Watch for details about pick-up, etc. in next week's bulletin. Questions can be directed to Verna Zook.

***Revelation: Through the Eyes of Faith***. Come to Iowa Mennonite School the evenings of October 30 and 31 for a bible event hosted by 7 area Mennonite churches! Nelson Kraybill (former seminary president, current president-elect to Mennonite World Conference, pastor and scholar), will come together with local artist and pastor Martha Yoder to bring new insights to the hope and doom in the book of Revelation by exploring the intersection of art and study.

***Local Amish leaders will be sharing*** about Amish history and current local Amish practices at the fall meeting of the Iowa Mennonite Historical Society on October 14 at Kalona Mennonite Church at 7:00 pm. All are invited to come learn more about the history and practices of our close neighbors and fellow Anabaptists. Refreshments will follow.

***Kenton & Kidron Miller invite you*** to an evening of "Kaffee & Kuchen" (coffee and cake) on Sunday, October 6 at 5:30pm at Upper Deer Creek Church. Come worship God, hear how He is leading our family to church plant in Berlin, Germany and how you can be a part of sending us out and to serve here in your own community! The praise and worship service will include music led by Ransom Project. Here's your chance to taste a "Berliner" (jelly-filled doughnut).

***You are invited to Sugar Creek Mennonite Church's Fall Meetings*** with Brenda Matthews. Mama Brenda, as she is known to many, has spent her life attending, contributing, and providing leadership to churches in Chicago. Brenda is in her 5<sup>th</sup> year of ministry at Ellis Avenue Baptist Church. In addition to her pastoral work, Brenda is a widely published poet and spoken word artist. She has a strong passion for working with young people, especially through the arts. Brenda is a regular speaker at youth events, Mennonite Church USA Youth Conventions, and on college campuses due to her inspiring message of hope in Jesus Christ and the need for an active faith that requires us to be "kingdom Builders and World Changers." Brenda will speak at 10:30 am and 7 pm on Sunday, Nov. 3, and 7 pm Mon., Nov. 4 and Tues., Nov. 5.

***Mennonite women, young and old, are invited*** to the annual Fall Mennonite Women's meeting where we will celebrate generations of strong Iowa Mennonite women. From baking pies to making soap to piecing quilts for beauty and for warmth, wise Iowa women have been doing sacred work for generations. Join us at **1:00pm on Saturday, November 2, 2013 at Kalona Mennonite Church** to hear stories from our past and learn skills from our grandmothers, mothers and daughters. We encourage you to invite someone of a different generation to join you in this celebration. The cost is \$20 per person and registration is required. Check your church mailbox for a copy of the flyer and registration form.

***The Mothering Mennonite Symposium***, Sat., Oct. 26 at Bethel College, will be a day of readings, presentations, conversations and panel discussions on what it means to "mother" in a Mennonite context, based on a new book of the same title co-edited by Rachel Epp Buller and Kerry Fast. Topics will include Old Colony mothers, gender roles and stereotypes, mothers in the mission field, infertility, sexuality, step-mothering and other-mothering. Confirmed speakers include Ellen Awe, Kendra Burkey, Kerry Fast, Hannah Henzekehr, Mary Herr, Marissa King, Audrey Roth Kraybill, Stephanie Krehbiel, Karen LeVan, Bill Loewen, Jessica Penner, and Kimberly Schmidt. Cost for the day is \$10, including lunch, with a pre-registration deadline of Oct. 15 to [mennomother@gmail.com](mailto:mennomother@gmail.com)

## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

### Today, October 6

- ***Women's Bible Study at 3:30 pm at the church.***
- ***Music Concert*** will be held at 3:00 pm. The concert will include performances by the choirs, symphonic band, and smaller ensembles, all under the direction of Josh Tyson. Following the concert, all 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to enjoy a hayride and refreshments.
- ***Kenton & Kidron Miller at Upper Deer Creek at 5:30 pm.*** See above announcement.

### Tuesday, October 8

- ***Women Walking: Experience the Journey*** will meet at 10am at the Activity Center at Crooked Creek Christian Camp. This program is for any woman interested in having a time to walk, reflect, and connect with God and others. This program is free, but please call to RSVP at 319-653-3611 or email Angela at [ccccprog@gmail.com](mailto:ccccprog@gmail.com).

### Wednesday, October 9

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

### Saturday, October 12

- ***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. 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.

### Next Sunday, October 13

- ***We will have Linda Shelly, mission speaker,*** for worship and during SS time. There will be a special offering for Mennonite Mission Network. Please make checks out to East Union.
- ***To all MarriageCare Mentors and Mentorees:*** You are invited to the Fall MarriageCare Potluck in the fellowship hall 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.