

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Today, Sunday, May 18

- Sunday School hour: Join the Shekinah class in the choir room for a time of informal questions and discussion with Martha Hernandez.
- Church potluck with Martha & Ramiro Hernandez immediately following Sunday School

Tuesday, May 20

- Church Council will meet at 7pm at the church.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, May 28, 7:00 pm. Bruno Baerg, MCC Southern Africa area director, will be at East Union to share stories about MCC's food security projects, peace programs, and education programs. Come learn about current MCC projects in the Southern region of the African continent.

Sunday, June 8, Sunday School hour. Congregational meeting with Tim Detweiler, conference minister for Central Plains. Tim will present the Roadmap Assessment Report. This is the summary of the listening and survey work Tim did with East Union over the past few months, and which sets the direction for Firman Gingerich's work over the next 18 months. Copies of the Assessment Report will be in your mailboxes by June 1, so you can read and digest prior to the congregational meeting.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

ALL ARE INVITED TO SONTREASURE ISLAND AT EAST UNION VBS!!! RSVP TO ATTEND . . .

The VBS Curriculum: "SonTreasure Island: Where God's Love is the Greatest Treasure" invites kids age 3 through grade 6 to come learn of the power that living for Jesus can have. PLEASE invite a friend and and **RSVP** to: eunionvbs@gmail.com with the **NAME and GRADE COMPLETED** of the campers wanting to attend:

June 20th (1p.m. to 7 p.m. *with Registration starting at 12:30*)

Note: Supper Provided to all children and staff

June 21st (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

Note: Lunch Provided to all children and staff

Sunday June 22nd (9:30) Morning Program at East Union Mennonite Church
 Theme Verse: 1 Corinthians 13 *"Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres."*

Please RSVP by June 10th to Camp East Union: eunionvbs@gmail.com (or mail a letter to East Union Mennonite Church Attn: VBS, PO Box 760, Kalona IA 52247) so appropriate food and materials are ordered! Hope to see you there!!

East Union Mennonite Church

5615 Gable Ave. SW (319) 656-2590 www.eastunionmennonite.org

Interim Pastor: Sonya Stauffer Kurtz

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

Mission Statement:

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

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| Worship Leader: | Bruce & Karen Harvey |
| Sermon: | Pastor Martha Hernandez |
| Pre-Service, Offertory, Postlude: | Stirred |
| Congregational Singing: | Stirred |

WORSHIP

Call to Worship: 119 Sing the Journey
 Congregational Singing / Prayer
 Confession and Assurance: 131 Sing the Journey
 First Fruits Offering/ Penny Power
 Business of the Community of Faith
 Sermon Scripture and Prayer: Mark 6: 30-44
 Introduction and Prayer
 Sermon: "Jesus has compassion: What about you?"
 Song of Response
 Sharing of Testimony and Concerns, Prayer
 Parting Song
 Sending & Postlude
 Dismissal

15 minutes of coffee/fellowship time

10:45 a.m. Sunday School

Toddler Room Staff during Worship Service:

Today: Josh & Jill Lundberg
Next Sunday: Norman Schrock & Jacob Boller

Toddler Room Staff during Sunday School:

Today: Luke & Rachel Yoder
Next Sunday: Derek & Nici Bontrager

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 3 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.

PRAYER REMINDERS

Pleasantview Home: Jeanette Yoder & L. David Yoder

College Students: Evelyn Charles, Vince Rhodes, Aimee Moberly, Carmen Fernau

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.

From Last Week's Sharing: Deb Derksen (Bob and his work as he is affected by events in Ukraine. Prayers for the people of Lithuania and Ukraine); Sarah Yoder (Joe Featherston & family as he begins hospice care)

Global Concerns

Iglesia Centro Cristiano & Pastor Martha Hernandez

From Central Plains Conference: Pray for graduating seniors and their families as they participate in baccalaureate and commencement at Bethel (Kan.) College today, and especially for commencement speaker Dale Schrag, who will retire from Bethel after 30 years of service.

From Mennonite Mission Network: Annelise Goldschmidt serves as the logistics coordinator for Mission Inter Senegal, a Mission Network partner and the largest national mission organization in the country. Pray for Annelise and MIS's more than 60 national mission workers in agriculture, community development, evangelism, and health in this predominately Muslim region.

Phone Numbers

Jeff Swartzentruber: 656-4542 Paulette Hershberger: 656-3208
Lauralee Kauffman: 354-3304 Sonya Kurtz: 585-831-6722
Larry Detweiler: 828-4461

Calling all MCC Alumni! You're invited to an MCC alumni gathering at the Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale on Friday, May 30 at 6pm in the MCC Tent. Join us to meet fellow alumni and hear Bruno Baerg, MCC Area Director for Southern Africa, share stories about MCC's current work. You are welcome to bring your supper and eat in the tent! We look forward to seeing you at the Relief Sale!

Spring Concert. The *Sound of Washington* will present their Spring Concert at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, May 27 at the Washington United Methodist Church featuring classic campfire songs both old and new. The *Sound of Washington* is an adult special needs choir made up of individuals from Washington County ranging in age from 19 - 65, directed by Amy (Swartzendruber) Drayfahl. All who attend are sure to be blessed as the choir shares their pure JOY of music. So, *hike* over and join us as we present "Camp Sound of Washington!"

Central Plains Conference: Are you passionate about being formed by the Bible? Come to Central Plains Annual Meeting June 19-22 in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. Find registration information in your church office and at www.centralplainsmc.org. Register soon; rates go up June 1st.

Crooked Creek Christian Camp News:

- Camp-A-Palooza was a great success and visitors expressed hope in attending the event next year. Thank you for coming to support us! We look forward to seeing many more in 2015. We raised \$2001 on May 10th.
- Camp is URGENTLY seeking nurses to assist our summer camp program. You can be a RN, LPN, EMT, paramedic or medical doctor. Food and lodging provided.
- **East Union needs to provide kitchen help at Crooked Creek for the following dates:**
July 9: 9 am - 1:30 pm (2 volunteers)
July 9: 1:30 pm - 7 pm (2 volunteers)
July 10: 8 am - 1:30 pm (2 volunteers)
If you would be able to help, please contact Chris Rhodes at 319-330-1243 or rhodes@kctc.net

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| Attendance Last Sunday: | |
| Morning Worship: 151 | Sunday School: 98 |
| Giving through 5.11.14 | |
| May 11th Giving | \$ 4025.00 |
| Year-to-Date Giving | \$ 107,620.73 |
| Average Weekly Giving Needed: | \$ 6180.10 |

Bulletin announcements should be in the office by 9:30 am on Fridays.
E-mail address for bulletin announcements: eucares@kctc.net



MCC Relief Sale News - May 30th & 31st

PENNY POWER: MATCH IT? Do you have special interest in helping to provide clean drinking water to small rural communities in Kenya, Tanzania and Mozambique? If so, then matching the total of the Penny Power collection is a suggestion for you. If you tell me that you are interested, then after next Sunday I will tell you the Penny Power total so you can write a check for that amount to be added to the Penny Power collection. Contact Bruce Harvey at 319-656-3009 or bkharvey@kctc.net.

MCC Relief Sale baking supplies (pans, bags, boxes) for **cookies, rolls, pies and sweet breads** are now on a table in the foyer. Sign your name by a number on the signup sheet and put that number on each label along with your list of ingredients for whatever you bake. Each label's address will be East Union Mennonite Church. Have your baked items at church by 9:00 am or 1:00 pm on Friday, May 30 and by 8 am on Saturday, May 31. If you want to order and pay for something at Golden Delight Bakery for the Sale, give them the right number of pie boxes and let me know so I can pick up your order on the Sale mornings. Order early since the Bakery will be closed Thursday, May 29, Ascension Day. Give any questions or comments to Bruce Harvey at 319-656-3009 or at bkharvey@kctc.net.

MCC Sale Meals in Home: Volunteers are needed who are willing to provide an in-home meal to be sold at the annual MCC Sale on May 30 and 31. To list your in-home meal for proper advertising, contact Marcia and Ellis Miller at 656-3242 or marcia@kctc.net.

Are you a woodworker, crafter, carpenter or artist? The MCC relief sale auction committee is accepting donations of handcrafted items. If interested, contact Lynn Yoder at 319-325-3670 or ey5840@netins.net.

New Baby! Jill and Thushan Hemachandra are parents of a son, Austin Rumesh Hemachandra, born May 12, 7lbs 14 oz. and 20 in. long. Grandparents are Doug and Pam Stoltzfus.

Keys Found: A set of keys were found in the church parking lot on Easter Sunday. If you are looking for them, they are in the church office.

Mailboxes: You may have noticed this morning that your mailbox may or may not have moved. We have organized them a bit and made them closer to eye level for you.

Supplies Still Needed for Mission Trip to Africa! Aimee Moberly and the rest of the team that are traveling to Sierra Leone, Africa this May on their mission trip are currently collecting supplies to take along! If you are interested in donating any of the following items please get them to Lisa or Greg Schmidt and if you have any questions email Aimee at: aimeembrly@yahoo.com or ask Lisa. The following items that are being collected are: **diapers** (sizes 1,2, and 6 are the most needed at the moment, but any size will help!), **wipes, shampoo** (baby shampoo is great for all of the ages at the center), **diaper rash cream, diaper rash ointment, clothes** (sizes 18 months to 2T...preferably lighter materials since Africa is hot with shorts and T-shirts being the most needed), and **twin size sheets**. All donations are welcome and greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continued support as the team prepares for the trip! All donations must be made by May 18th in order to be packed and taken with!

IMS News: IMS will hold graduation exercises Saturday and Sunday, May 24 and 25; Baccalaureate will begin at 6:00 pm Saturday, with Diane Zaerr Brenneman delivering the message and seniors Nicole de Jesus-Roetlin and Dallas Nye speaking on behalf of their classmates. Merle Hostetler, uncle of senior Reggie Hostetler, will deliver the Commencement address on Sunday at 6:00 pm. Thirty-three seniors will graduate; both services will be in *Celebration Hall*.

Summer Free Lunch helpers welcome Please let us know if you'd like to find out about volunteering one hour a week to support the free sack lunch program for kids in Kalona. Contact Bill or Amy Spencer at kalonabreadhouse@gmail.com or call 656-3916. This project is sponsored by the Bread House, a new community-service group in Kalona.

Mennonite Central Committee would like to invite you to a Learning Tour to Haiti November 8-17, 2014. This 10 day tour will give you a first-hand look at the social- economical issues Haiti continues to face. The estimate cost for this learning tour is **\$700** per person, which includes food, lodging, and in-country transportation. Airfare needs to be purchased separately. Space is very limited. For more information contact Anna Yoder by **Monday June 2, 2014** at annayoder@mcc.org or 316.283.2720.