

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Today. Sunday, July 13

- Grethen Geyer and Landon Slabaugh will be sharing about their SST trip to Peru during the Sunday School hour. All are welcome to come hear about their experiences.

- The Skekinah Class is in charge of the church service at Pleasantview Home this morning.

- **Youth and Advocates!** Let's explore God's beautiful out of doors together at the Terry True Blood Recreation center, on Sunday, July 13th. Remember to bring a picnic lunch and equipment for the activity that you choose to do. RSVP to Lisa Yoder at lisyoder@gmail.com or 319.430.0251.

Attendance Last Sunday:	
Morning Worship: 152	Sunday School: 98
Giving through 7.6.14	
July 6th Giving	\$ 4,034.00
Year-to-Date Giving	\$ 154,943.00
Average Weekly Giving Needed:	\$ 6,268.38

Bulletin announcements should be in the office by 9:30 am on Fridays. You may email your announcements to Crystal at: eucares@kctc.net

Firman's office hours: Tuesday - Friday mornings (afternoon by appt.) You can reach him at the church number during those times, at his cell phone number at other times, or via email.

Church Services All of our church services are available for listening on the East Union website: www.eastunionmennonite.org. If you would like to listen to or watch an entire service contact Greg Yoder or Derek Bontrager.

East Union Mennonite Church

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Transitional Pastor: Firman Gingerich
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:	David Charles
Sermon:	Firman Gingerich
Pre-Service, Offertory, Postlude:	Verna Zook
Congregational Singing:	Nici Bontrager, Gretchen Geyer

WORSHIP

Call to Worship
 Congregational Singing / Prayer
 Reading: Creation
 First Fruits Offering
 Business of the Community of Faith
 Sermon Scripture and Prayer: Genesis 4: 1-11
 Sermon: "East of Eden"
 Sharing Time, Testimony and Concerns
 Pastoral Prayer
 Parting Song
 Sending & Postlude
 Dismissal

15 minutes of coffee & fellowship time

10:45 a.m. 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 and their parents during the worship service. The Toddler Room (room #47 up the steps to the back hallway) is 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: Marv Slabaugh & Jeremy Neimeyer
Next Sunday: Grace Rempel, Sami & Madison Higdon

Toddler Room Staff during Sunday School:

July: Betsy & Marvin Slabaugh

PRAYER REMINDERS

Pleasantview Home: Jeanette Yoder & L. David Yoder

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 Mission Network: The South Africa and Paraguay Radical Journey teams will arrive in Chicago tomorrow for four days of re-entry sessions. Pray for discernment during this time of debriefing and preparation for returning to their home communities and what comes next in their lives.

From Central Plains Mennonite Conference: Tim Detweiler is speaking this week at Cheyenne Mennonite Family Camp near Lame Deer, Montana. Pray for Tim and for all those attending the camp.

From Mennonite Education Agency Pray for Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary professors who spend the summer months exploring new research and beginning new projects. May the Spirit guide their study to inspire them and contribute to God's mission in the new world.

Contact Information for Congregational Leaders

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New Baby Congratulations!

- ❖ Congratulations to Ryan, Sarah & Leah Schrock on the birth of a son and brother, Noah Lehman Schrock, born Sat. July 5th. Noah weighed 8 pounds, 6 ounces, and was 22 inches long. Grandparents are Norman and Joyce Schrock. Ryan & Sarah's address is: 422 Lancaster Ave., Lancaster, PA 17603
- ❖ Owen Dennis Higdon was born to Frank and Emily Higdon on Monday, July 7th at 10:41 a.m. weighing 7 lbs and 6 ounces. He was welcomed home by siblings, Sammie, Madi & Will
- ❖ Eve Madelle was to born to Rachel & Luke Yoder on Thursday July 10th at 12:10 a.m. weighing 5 lbs and 11 ounces, and was 18 inches long. Grandparents are Dave & Lisa Yoder, Great-Grandparents are Dale & Linda Miller, Aunt is Emma Yoder.
- ❖ To revive an old East Union tradition, the rosebuds this morning are for Owen Dennis born to Emily and Frank Higdon, Monday July 7th and also for Eve Madelle, born to Rachel and Luke Yoder, Thursday, July 10th.

Pathway News Registration for Pathway Christian School is Monday, July 21, 2014 from 5 to 7 p.m. If you have any questions call Lawrence Schlabach at 319-325-2005

Concert Polen will be in concert at Lower Deer Creek Mennonite Church on Saturday July 26th at 7:00pm. Polen is a 5-piece Christian electronic rock and worship band from Fredericksburg, OH. With electrifying walls of guitar, pulsating rhythms, and pensive lyrics, Polen creates a sound that is deeply worshipful, always melodic. For more information contact Jim Hershberger at jhershberger32@gmail.com or 319-461-3847.

Free lunches now available in Kalona Please spread the word! We are serving cold sandwiches, veggies and fruit, homemade cookies, and yogurt/milk, Monday through Friday, from 12 to 12:30 at Elements (511 C Ave., across the street from the Kalona Library). People can eat in or pack their lunch to go. No income qualifications are needed. Deliveries might also be available soon for those who are housebound or can't climb stairs. For information, contact Bill and Amy Spencer, kalonabreadhouse@gmail.com, 656-3916.

Thank you for helping to make this year's Penny Power at the Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale a memorable event. The total for Penny Power was over \$21,000, a significant amount that will help provide fresh drinking water to many, many wonderful people in Kenya.

The Safe Families training has been postponed until a later date due to renovations in the space at Grace Community Church as well as low registration numbers. The next training will be in either August or September. Stay tuned!

HELP IRAQIS THROUGH MCC. As armed conflict forces Iraqis from their homes, Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) is providing vital items for daily life and is planning an ongoing response. MCC also is calling on U.S. lawmakers to oppose military intervention in Iraq and instead to send humanitarian aid. Please help us reach a goal of 12,000 hygiene kits and 3,000 relief kits for uprooted Iraqis and others in the region. Gifts of money support MCC's efforts with partners in Iraq to both respond quickly and continue long-term efforts that build peace. More information is available online at mcc.org/get-involved/kits and donate.mcc.org/iraq or by calling 1-888-563-4676. The Action Alert at mcc.org/advocate-iraq provides a simple way to contact your representatives and the president. Thank you for partnering with MCC to help uprooted people and for your ongoing prayers for peace in the region.

MCC News. A letter dated June 24th by MCC staff entitled "MCC Reaching Out to Iraqis Displaced by Armed Conflict" provides additional insight into work with partners and the needs of internally displaced persons (IDP's). This letter is located on the bulletin board in the foyer for your perusal. Also, Maynard Knepp at MCC Central States relays their concerns about the violence in Israel/Palestine. He indicates MCC staff are continuing their work and are keeping a somewhat low profile during this time. He will be traveling there in November and is very happy to hear from constituents learning of care and concern. Cell is 316-285-3820, office 283-2720. Also Karen Kauffman Hall at Central States indicates a 59 minute DVD entitled "The Stones Cry Out" is being made by MC USA and will be forthcoming in November She will be contacting churches/people in Iowa at that time.

School Kits for MCC Soon the stores will be stocking their shelves with school supplies. Now is the time to buy while the selection is great! This will be a church project in August put on by the Mennonite Women. Each kit includes:

- 4 spiral notebooks 70-80 pages
- 8 unsharpened #2 pencils
- 1 flexible ruler (30cm & 12 inch markings)
- 1 large eraser (1/2 x 2 inches)
- 1 box colored pencils (12-20 in box)



Place in 11 x 16 fabric double drawstring bag (bags will be available.) *Please note the quantity of pencils is now 8 instead of 4.

Primary/Junior Sunday School Teacher Sign Up

Are you interested in celebrating God's love and sharing the good news of the Lord with the children and youth of our church? See the sign up board (in the church foyer) if you are interested in being part of the Primary/Junior Department this fall. We are in need of two teachers per class to share the teaching responsibilities for one year (September 2014-August 2015). We are also in need of music leaders for 10-15 minutes of singing each Sunday.

In the fall we will be using the brand NEW curriculum materials from MennoMedia and Brethren Press titled SHINE: Living in God's Light. We have a regular attendance of 25-35 kids per Sunday. On a weekly basis we need 10-14 adults to help downstairs. We need your help!

Please contact Sarah Yoder (sarahayoder@hotmail.com) or Carrie Schmidt (carrieschmidt2@yahoo.com) if you have questions or would like more information.

New volunteer opportunity! The Nurture Committee has created the new position of "Early Childhood Care Coordinator." This person will coordinate the caregivers in the toddler room during worship and Sunday School, and also coordinate the caregivers in the nursery during Sunday School. Please talk to Elvesta or Allison if you have questions or to volunteer for this 1-year position!