

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: Wanda Yoder & Drew Blauvelt
Next Sunday: Grace Rempel & Avery Blauvelt

Toddler Room Staff during Sunday School:

Today: No Sunday School
Next Sunday: Tom & Rebecca Miller

PRAYER REMINDERS

Oskaloosa Care Center: Marilyn Yutzky

College Students: Will DeHogues, Tommy Rhodes, Christian Swartzentruber

Praying for God's Healing and Hope for East Union brothers and sisters who are lonely, grieving, in pain, need healing or employment, or are carrying heavy burdens.

Global Concerns: Homeless in our own country and the refugees worldwide because of war, violence and poverty.

Iglesia Centro Cristiano & Pastor Martha Hernandez

From Mennonite Mission Network: Today on Peace Sunday, Mennonite Mission Network joins Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite World Conference in "praying for the peace of Jerusalem." May we all find inspiration to respond to conflict in ways that do not perpetuate violence.

From Central Plains Mennonite Conference: Praise God for providing a pastor for the Hmong Mennonite Church of St. Paul. Pastor Pornchai Thosaengsiri (Seng) will be installed today. Pray that Pastor Seng and the church may grow in fruitful ministry, guided by the Holy Spirit.

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Our Mission: *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.*

Our Motto: *Growing in the way of Jesus, sharing God's love, Word and hope.*

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Worship Leader:	Don & Verna Zook
Sermon:	Firman Gingerich
Pre-Service, Offertory, Postlude:	Steve Groenewold & Keith Dickel
Congregational Singing:	Steve Groenewold & Keith Dickel

WORSHIP

"Seeking Home"

- Call to Worship
- Congregational Singing / Prayer
- First Fruits Offering
- Business of the Community of Faith
- Scripture: Luke 10:25-37
- "Reflections of Home" Interviews by Chris Rhodes
- Singing Together
- Children's Story "Gifts Received"
- Song of Response
- Sharing Time, Testimony and Concerns
- Congregational Prayer
- Parting Song
- Benediction

No Sunday School - Please join us for a shared meal

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Today, Sunday, September 21

- Camp East Union!
- Chronicle articles due.
- *Crooked Creek Christian Camp*: **Sing 'N S'mores** with chorister Nate Yoder. Tonight at 5:00 pm come to our *NEW* Sunset Shelter by the pond. After singing, roast marshmallows and have S'mores. You can also canoe and kayak. Bring a lawn chair and blue hymnal if you have one.

Monday, September 22

- **Book Reading** Evie Yoder Miller, a Kalona native, will conduct a book reading at 7 p.m., at the Kalona Public Library. Her second recently published book, *Everyday Mercies*, is a novel of four generations of women from Mennonite backgrounds whose lives reveal the tensions and humor of family living. Come spend the evening with Evie and *Everyday Mercies*.

Wednesday, September 24

- Choir Practice 7pm at the church.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 26

- Transition team led Town Hall conversation 4:30-6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

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

Attendance Last Sunday:	
Morning Worship: 152	Sunday School: 124
Giving through 9.14.14	
September 14th Giving	\$ 3,766.00
Year-to-Date Giving	\$ 201,569.00
Average Weekly Giving Needed:	\$ 6,921.00

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

JPOG (Just Peace Outreach Group) invites you to hear Marcus Miller speak on "The Trail of Tears: The Survival of the Cherokee Nation." Join us on Sunday evening, Sept 28, 2014, at Kalona Mennonite Church, 902 6th Street, Kalona, IA at 6:00 p.m. for a finger-foods potluck (please bring your own table service) or at 7 pm for Marcus' presentation. For more information call Roger Farmer at 319-653-2547 or email Jane Yoder-Short at wilmajane17@gmail.com.

Gospel Echoes Banquet You are invited to the Gospel Echoes Banquet scheduled for Friday, October 3, 2014, 7 pm, at Fairview Mennonite Church. You are invited to join in an evening of food, music & inspiration along with a prison testimony by Arceli, an ex-convict. Call to reserve a seat or choose to host a table also. Call Steve & Norma Miller at 319.430.8759 or 646-2482 for tickets or further questions.

Mennonite Church USA - Save the Date: Webinar on Israel-Palestine Conflict. Do you wish you knew more about the Israel-Palestine conflict, but don't know where to start? You're not the only one. *Jesus Weeps*, an introduction and overview of this history and conflict, is a one-hour webinar sponsored by the Peace and Justice Support Network of Mennonite Church USA that will give you an overview of the basic history and current situation. It will be held on December 4 at 8 p.m. (EST). Register online now! <http://www.pjsn.org/Resources/congregations/Pages/Jesus-Weeps.aspx>

Ecuador Partnership. At 6:30 PM on Saturday October 11th, all are invited to West Union Mennonite Church to hear stories and testimonies about the deep connection that Central Plains and Mennonite Mission Network have with God's work across Ecuador. The celebration will include a special offering and dessert reception. Speakers to include Stanley Green, James Krabill, Linda Shelly and David Boshart. Please RSVP to KarenR@Mennonitemission.net by September 26.

Crooked Creek Christian Camp

- October 9, 9:00-2:30pm: Senior Day at the Retreat Lodge; Presenting *The Power of Story* by story-teller David Worth of Lititz, Pennsylvania. David has worked for MCC and Habitat for Humanity and traveled to more than 40 countries. Music provided by local musicians of *The Great Bluegrass Herons* and the *Banjoy Band*. \$25 per person includes lunch and program.
- October 10-11, Come to the Table Craft Retreat is an overnight get-away for women to socialize and work on craft projects together.

CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Kathryn Yoder. Kathryn passed away Tuesday, September 16th at the age of 95. Visitation will be held at the Yoder-Powell Funeral Home in Kalona this afternoon from 3-6 p.m. Funeral services will be held here at East Union tomorrow, Monday, September 22nd at 10:30 a.m. A graveside service and meal will follow the Funeral service. Please remember to keep Kathryn's family in your prayers.

Choir Practice To all EU choir members and those who just like to sing...choir rehearsals start up for the fall season on Wednesday, September 24. Practice runs from just 7:00 - 8:00 each Wednesday and will go through Christmas. We hope to see all the old faces, plus some new ones, next week!

East Union music lovers! You're invited to come be part of a new group on Sunday afternoon, October 5 at 4:30. Young, not so young, singers, instrumentalists, accomplished musicians, those just getting started - we want you all to be there. We'll come together to play and sing mostly contemporary songs, but bring all of your favorites. We hope this becomes the start of a regular get-together on Sunday afternoons, and for those that feel up to it, to participate in music on Sunday mornings as well. If the idea sounds right up your alley but you can't make it on the 5th, talk to Beth Swartzendruber or Steve Groenewold and we'll make sure to let you know of the next one.

Gift Discernment Committee asks you to prayerfully consider the following people to fill the position listed beside their name.

Primary/Junior Sunday School Superintendent - Jon Miiller
Junior MYF Sponsors - Danny Hershberger & Brad Hershberger

If you haven't already done so, please fill out the ballot form from last Sunday and place it in the Gift Discernment box. Thank you!

IMS Pork Supper Tickets Jenna Boller, a junior at IMS, is selling Pork Supper tickets. The Pork Supper is October 11th. If you are interested in purchasing tickets, please contact Jenna. 319-683-4342 or see her after church.

Exploring membership Are you interested in exploring membership in our congregation? Several of you have been in conversation with our Elders in the past months about becoming members. Firman and the Elders are planning to host a class for conversation and preparation. If you are interested in becoming a member in our congregation by transfer or by adult baptism let Firman or one of our Elders know by October 15.

Missing a Dish? There have been several dishes left at the church the past several weeks. Please check the table in the foyer to see if any are yours.

Church League Softball Trophy. Thanks Chase Gingerich! Chase was captain for a local team with members from East Union and other area congregations who won 2nd place at a huge Labor Day tournament in Kokomo, Indiana. Take a look in our historical display and you will see this years trophy.

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