

East Union Mennonite Church

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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: Judy Showalter & Sarena Gerber
Next Sunday: Kim & Drew Blauvelt

Toddler Room Staff during Sunday School:

Today:
Next Sunday:

PRAYER REMINDERS

Parkview Manor: Ervin Miller

Praying for God's Healing and Hope: Joyce Schrock

Praying for; Praying for victims of flooding in Texas: for those who have lost their homes, friends and family members. Bring hope and peace to persons experiencing pain and despair.

Central Plains: Today, Joe Walks Along, Jr., will be installed as pastor at Lame Deer Mennonite Church in Lame Deer, Montana. Pray for God's vision to be realized in Joe's ministry in Lame Deer.

From Mennonite Mission Network: Thank God for Connie and Dennis Byler's decades of ministry with Mennonite Mission Network in Spain. Pray for complete healing for Connie who has undergone several eye surgeries in the past year.

Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for the students graduating from Mennonite Schools Council high schools this spring. May this be a time of celebrating this accomplishment with family and friends.

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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 & hope.*

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Worship Leader	Judy Showalter
Sermon	Les Gustafson Zook
Pre-Service, Offering, Postlude	Verna Zook
Congregational Singing	Lisa Schmidt & Quartet
Children's Time	Les Gustafson Zook
Special Music	Youth Orchestra/Choir

WORSHIP

Prelude
Call to Worship: Sing the Story #201
Congregational Singing and Prayer
Announcements
First Fruits Offering
Hearing God's Word: Isaiah 58:6-8
Children's Time
Sermon: "Let Your Light Shine"
Response Song
Sharing Time, Testimony and Concerns
Congregational Prayer
Congregational Singing
Youth Orchestra/Choir: Halle, Hallelujah
*see insert for roster
Benediction

15 minutes of coffee & fellowship time

10:45 a.m. Sunday School

CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Series Thank you for your suggestions for summer worship/preaching themes on the parables of Jesus. I received nearly 20 suggestions and as might be expected there were several duplicates. A list of the eleven unique parables you suggested is available on the literature table underneath the mailboxes. We will highlight the upcoming parable for the next week in our weekly bulletin to help you prepare.

In this series Chris Rhodes will do several personal interviews each month about the stories/lessons/parables that have been most influential in your lives.

Our summer series begins on June 7 with the “The Parable of the Sower,” Matt 13:1-9, Luke 8:4-8. Loren Swartzendruber, President of Eastern Mennonite University will be preaching. On June 14 we will focus on “The workers in the vineyard,” Matt 20:1-16. Firman Gingerich will be preaching.

Stay connected to summer delegate sessions for Central Plains Mennonite Conference and for Mennonite Church USA General Assembly.

Central Plains annual delegate sessions will be June 18-21, 2015 at Woodland Hills Church St. Paul, MN. We expect to receive the conference agenda shortly and will make that available for everyone. Our delegates to Central Plains Mennonite Conference are Nelson Miller, Mary Miller, Karen Harvey, Bruce Harvey, Elvesta Hochstetler and Firman Gingerich. (Elvesta is a substitute delegate for Janet Geyer our missions communicator for this year)

Mennonite Church USA General Assembly will be June 30 - July 5, 2015 in Kansas City, Missouri. Our delegates to General Assembly are Nyle Kauffman, Janet Geyer and Phil Yoder. Full preparation documents are available at <http://mennoniteusa.org/resource/delegate-resources>.

We will also keep copies of resolutions on our literature table for you to take to become familiar with. Additionally we are planning to have two Sunday School forums open in the sanctuary for you to be in conversation with our delegates. You will find a daily prayer and reflection guide at this Mennonite Church USA Convention planning site <http://mennoniteusa.org/news/where-is-god-leading-us-as-a-people/>. [Meditations are](#) to help prepare folks for being together as God’s people in Kansas City.

Our scheduled delegate led forums:

- June 14 Overview of Central Plains Mennonite Conference annual session agenda
- June 21 Overview of Mennonite Church USA General Assembly

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My Coins Count total offering was \$681.91. Thank you to all who helped with this significant contribution to MCC’s Project Harvest in Guatemala.

Bible School teachers and volunteers needed! East Union has a wonderful group of children that are looking forward to a fun Bible School experience, and we need your help! Please consider using your talents for teaching or helping with food, drama, playground or childcare. Sign-up sheets are posted on the bulletin board in the lobby.

THIS WEEK AT EAST UNION

Tuesday, June 2

- Mennonite women meet. Devotions by Charlene Rhodes, The topic will be: ‘Practicing Presence: in Feeding the Hungry’ and our project will be cash for MCC: Health Care and Medications. Sack Lunch.

Next Sunday, June 7

- 8:55 - 9:15 am - Prayer ministry for our Pastoral search. Join us weekly in the MYF Room.

Attendance Last Sunday:	
Morning Worship: 159	Sunday School: 92
Giving through 5.17.15	
May 17th Giving	\$ 5,485.00
Year-to-date Giving	\$ 106,424.25
Average Weekly Giving Needed:	\$ 6,090.02

CENTRAL PLAINS and MENNONITE AGENCIES

Help Wanted:

Mennonite Mission Network is looking to fill a few final positions in three of our programs for this fall. Apply by June 1. For more info, contact JohnM@MennoniteMission.net.

- **Service Adventure Unit Leaders:** Live in a unit house with a small group of youth and offer support as they serve and live in Christian community. Positions open in Albany, Ore. and Albuquerque, N.M. Age: 24+, term: 2 years.
- **Journey International:** Grow spiritually, learn passionately, and serve in Indonesia as a teacher or digital media content creator. Ages 18-27, term: 1 year.
- **Mennonite Voluntary Service:** Serve, live, and grow in places like Chicago, Madison, San Antonio, and Kansas City. Age: 20+, term: 1-2 years.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Community Choir The Celebration Community Choir is up and running again! Meetings will be Thursdays at 7pm in the Pleasantview Home Chapel starting on June 11th. The choir will remain open to everyone of every age who would like to sing throughout the summer, regardless of experience level. Please join us for some fun singing. Contact Nathaniel Yoder De Avila if you have any questions: nathanielyoder@gmail.com and 319-325-3059.

Pleasantview Home The Summer Wheelchair Rides provided by community volunteers will start on Tuesday, June 2nd and run through August 25th. If you enjoy the outdoors, getting exercise and the benefit of friendship, please consider offering of yourself and your time. The rides are offered from 9:00-10:00. Call Pleasantview at 319-656-2421 and ask for the Volunteer Coordinator, Wanda Yoder

Iowa Mennonite School

Iowa Mennonite School's annual *Fairway Fun Golf Outing* is set for Saturday, June 13 at the Kalona Golf Course...grab your foursome or register as an individual! \$75 per person, with proceeds going to the school's general fund. The cost includes pastries at 7:30 am; 18 holes of golf beginning at 8:00; a sleeve of balls; lunch following play; and the chance to win prizes. The format is a 4-person best shot. Come and enjoy the day with other IMS supporters...register online at www.iowamennonite.org or by contacting Larry Swartzendruber at lswartzendruber@iowamennonite.org or 319-656-2073.

Getting ready to retire?

Everence Financial will present an informational seminar, *Retiring soon? Make sense of your Medicare and Social Security choices* at 8:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. on two upcoming Tuesdays - June 2 and July 7. Everence Financial Advisor Kent Blossom will speak on Medicare and Social Security, provide instructions on how to enroll, strategies to consider, and answer related questions. The seminars will take place at Kalona Coffee House, 211 5th St. No registration required. If you have questions, contact Cheryl Martin Miller at (319) 656-4242, (877) 656-4242 or cheryl.martinmiller@everence.com.

May is National Foster Care Month! Come learn about the ongoing and urgent need for more foster and adoptive families and how you can make a difference in your community. There is an Iowa KidsNet Information Session being held at Lower Deer Creek Mennonite Church on Thursday, June 4 at 6 p.m. Questions? Call Addie Martinez 319-784-2148 or amartinez@fouroaks.org

Youth Orchestra/Choir

Piano

Micah Miller

Percussion

Cade Groenewold

Henry Yoder

Violin

Behla Schmidt

Clarinet

Evelyn Gerber

Grace Miller

Norah Yoder

Bells

Sam Yoder

Flute

Sarena Gerber

Trumpet

Drew Blauvelt

Collin Miller

Ian Schmidt