

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: Kara & Cade Groenewold
 Next Sunday: Jace & Bryce Bailey

Attendance Last Sunday:	
Morning Worship: 141	Sunday School: 109
Giving through 9.6.15	
September 6th Giving	\$ 12,918.00
Year-to-date Giving	\$ 192,226.37
Average Weekly Giving Needed:	\$ 6,436.79

PRAYER REMINDERS

Oaknoll Retirement Home: Edna Yoder
College Students: Tommy & Gabriela Cikos Rhodes
Praying for God's Healing and Hope: Laurie Droll, Joyce Schrock, Linda Wooldridge, Ruth Boller
Central Plains: Next weekend, Mennonite Women hosts a retreat for Central Plains women at Swan Lake Christian Camp, Viborg, South Dakota. Pray for a time of spiritual growth and refreshment for the women who attend.
Mennonite Mission Network: Mission Inter Senegal is beginning a new five-year strategic plan. Pray for God's wisdom for administrators and for the Jim and Paula Hanes' family as they seek to share Jesus' love in this majority Muslim country.
Mennonite Education Agency: Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Ind., students and mentors in Journey, a conference-based undergraduate ministry program, gather this weekend for a semiannual learning session. Pray this will be enriching for their ministry and study.

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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	The Gerber Family
Sermon	Joel Beachy
Pre-Service, Offering, Postlude	Beth Swartzendruber
Congregational Singing	Susan Gingerich & Accompanists

WORSHIP

Prelude
 Call to Worship and Lord's Prayer
 Congregational Singing
 Announcements
 First Fruits Offering
 Matthew 5:10-12 and 13-16
 Sermon: "Salt and Light for God"
 Response Song
 Sharing Time, Testimony and Concerns
 Congregational Prayer
 Sending Song
 Benediction

15 minutes of coffee & fellowship time

10:45 a.m. Sunday School

CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend our sympathies to the family of Jeanette Yoder who passed away Monday, September 7. Services were held here at East Union on Thursday. Please remember to keep the family, especially Jen & Kerry Saner-Harvey who were unable to attend the funeral services, in your prayers during this difficult time.

The Shekinah Sunday School class is in charge of the service at Pleasantview Home this morning.

East Union women are invited to a wedding shower for Beth Swartzendruber and Caleb Yoder on Thursday, September 24 at 7 p.m. in the fellowship hall. They are registered at Target, Bed Bath & Beyond, Yotty's, and Community Country Store.

October 4 celebration of God's continuing call

Joel Beachy will be installed and licensed as our Pastor in our worship service on October 4. Tim Detweiler, Central Plains Conference Minister will lead the installation and licensing service.

We want to celebrate that God has led us and Joel with a hog roast and potluck! Someone has generously donated a hog! Roast pork and buns will be provided, Please bring your favorite dishes to share and help us celebrate. Spread the word, we hope you and all friends of East Union Mennonite Church will join us.

CENTRAL PLAINS and MENNONITE AGENCIES

Leave or stay? Many Syrian families face that question as international humanitarian assistance dwindles and the patchwork of resources they used to rely on wears thin. Your gift of money helps **Mennonite Central Committee** continue to provide food, water, rent assistance and winter supplies so families that decide to stay in the region can survive the cold weather ahead. Please give online at mcc.org/syria-iraq; by phone at 1-888-563-4676; or by check, sent to MCC U.S., P.O. Box 500, Akron, PA 17501. Thank you!

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kalona Summer Lunch thanks you!

Food for All thanks the Christian community for your support of Kalona Summer Lunch. We provided 1,100 lunches (700 sit-down and 400 packed to go) to people ages two to 92. We also had lots of fun playing games, doing art, and just spending time together. Keep your ears open for future Food for All events. Visit our website for more information and ways to connect: foodforallkalona.weebly.com. Or call 319-656-3916.

Aging Well Group will meet at Pleasantview Home in the Friendship Center Tue., Sept. 15 at 10 am. The program will be "My Dr. says I Have Kidney Disease-How, Why and what Now?" A local physician, Dr. Mary Laughlin from Mercy Kalona Family Practice, is coming to share with us about kidney disease and some of the things we can do to prevent it or slow it's progression. We welcome you to come, bring friends and questions.

CALL TO PRAYER Sept. 20 - 27 September 20 marks the six-month anniversary of Pastor Max Villatoro's deportation to Honduras, taking him away from his family, his church and his community. Please set aside some time this week to pray specifically for Max's return and for his family - Gloria, Anthony, Edna, Angela and Aileen. In addition, consider sending a note to Gloria and her children at 2018 Waterfront Drive, Lot #67, Iowa City, IA 52240, or an email note of encouragement to Max at max73villatoro@gmail.com. Find a prayer and action guide at www.friendsofpastormax.org.

Safe Families for Children will be hosting a training for current and prospective Safe Families volunteers Saturday, September 19th from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm at Grace United Methodist Church in Tiffin, IA. Food and coffee will be provided. For more information and to RSVP contact Brett Erickson at berickson@safefamilies.net or Lisa Yoder at 319-430-0251 or lisyoder@gmail.com. Everyone interested in being involved in Safe Families is invited.

Crowded Closet

* Fall meeting of the Crowded Closet Association will be held Monday, September 21, 7:00pm at Wayland Mennonite Church. ALL volunteers and interested persons are invited to attend and learn of the latest happenings at the Closet.

* Crowded Closet is seeking volunteer cashiers. The shifts are 9:30-1:00, 1:00-5:00, or full day. Our cash register system is easy to use and the sense of community is always enjoyable. Your service to Mennonite Central Committee would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Bailey Schrock at Crowded Closet at 319-337-5924 or email at crowdedcloset.volunteer@gmail.com

Celebrate 60 years! The 60th Annual **Pleasantview Benefit Sale** will be **November 6 and 7 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 dessert delivered every month for 6-12 months, etc. **We would like non-perishable items by October 28 to put pictures on pvhome.org.** Nyle (chair) and Lauralee Kauffman (319-354-3304), Cheryl Martin Miller (319-331-3190), Carl and Donna Darby (319-887-7097) Grace Rempel (319-683-2681), and Julie Gingerich at Pleasantview (319-656-2421).