

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 & Ella Groenewold
 Next Sunday: Jed Seward & Will Higdon

Attendance Last Sunday:	
Morning Worship: 119	Sunday School: 97
Giving through 11.8.15	
November 8th Giving	\$ 6,386.00
Year-to-date Giving	\$ 245,485.58
Average Weekly Giving Needed:	\$ 7,104.20

PRAYER REMINDERS

Pleasantview Home: Charlotte Winborn, Marguerite Zook
College Students: Nick Santoro, Cameron Gingerich, Rebecca Rhodes
Serving in MCC's SALT program in Bolivia: Gretchen Geyer
Praying for God's Healing and Hope: Sam Hochstetler, Laurie Droll
Central Plains: Adam Nussbaum, pastor of Shalom Mennonite Church in Eau Claire, Wisconsin, will be ordained today. Pray for Adam and the Shalom congregation as they seek the Holy Spirit's leading to grow their church.
Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for Mennonite Mission Network's Journey International participants in Indonesia, their host families and communities. May that all work together to build up the global body of Christ.
Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for Marco Guete, the new director of the Hispanic Pastoral and Leadership Education office of MEA which includes the Instituto Biblico Anabautista (IBS). May God grant him wisdom and guidance as he begins his new role.

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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	Matt & Renae Miller and family
Sermon	Firman Gingerich
Pre-Service, Offering, Postlude	Verna Zook
Congregational Singing	Susan Gingerich
Special Music	Adult Choir

WORSHIP

"Looking Like Jesus"

- Prelude
- Call to Worship and Lord's Prayer
- Congregational Singing
- Announcements
- First Fruits Offering
- The Gospel Reading: Matthew 7:13-29
- Sermon: "Two roads, two foundations; one Jesus"
- Response Song
- Beatitude Blessing
- "Blessed are you" Choric reading - Sarah & Greg Yoder
- Anointing Blessing
- Sharing Time, Testimony, and Prayer Requests
- Congregational Prayer
- Special Music
- Benediction

15 minutes of coffee & fellowship time

10:45 a.m. Sunday School

The Wise and Foolish Builders

(song for worship)

The wise one built his house upon the rock. 3x
And the rains came a tumbling down.
The rains came down and the floods came up. 3x
And the wise one's house stood firm.

The foolish one built his house upon the sand. 3x
And the rains came a tumbling down.
The rains came down and the floods came up. 3x
And the foolish one's house fell flat.

So build your house on the Lord Jesus Christ. 3x
And the blessings will come down.
The blessings will come down as the prayers go up. 3x
So build your house on the Lord.

THIS WEEK AT EAST UNION

Today, Sunday, November 15

- **Fanny Crosby Hymn Sing** Come join us at 7 pm as we gather at East Union in worship, praise, and testimony. We will sing hymn lyrics written by Fanny Crosby (1820-1915) found in current and older Mennonite hymnals. All are welcome! Bring your friends!

Monday, November 16

- Elder Mtg at Larry Detweilers 7 pm

Wednesday, November 18

- Choir practice 7 pm

Next Sunday, November 22

- Chronicle articles due
- **Community Thanksgiving Service** A community Thanksgiving service hosted by area Mennonite congregations will be held at Iowa Mennonite School at 7 pm. Our own Leola White will be one of the speakers sharing a Thanksgiving testimony.

CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

We extend our sympathies to the family of Linda Wooldridge who passed away Monday, November 9. Funeral services were held here at East Union on Friday. Please remember to keep the family in your prayers.

Cookbooks for sale! The MYF will be selling cookbooks again today after church in the foyer. If you are in need of a great Christmas gift for someone or would simply like to add another cookbook to your collection, be sure to stop by the table and pick up one (or a few). During the month of November they are on sale for \$10 which is a savings of \$2. All proceeds go the MYF.

Delays and Cancellations It's that time of year again! Weather related delays and cancellations will be announced through KCRG, WMT and Facebook, as well as through our One Call phone service. Pastor Joel and congregational leaders will make decisions and communicate in the ways listed above. Above all we want you to be safe!

Gone Missing at CHOW. If you accidentally picked up a black fleece Columbia jacket with Marv Hershberger's name on the tag, please call 656-3208. Thanks!

Scrip Fundraising Program at IMS Scrip is fundraising while you shop (R). You can support IMS by purchasing gift cards to dozens of retailers, restaurants and other businesses. If you have questions or would like more information on how you can participate then contact Candi Schmieder at IMS or talk with Jeff Boller. Our family has been participating since the program started at IMS.

Elevator The elevator was fixed this week and is safe to ride again.

Quick Reference Directories In your mailbox today you will find a condensed version of our new pictorial directory for your convenience.

Mark a change in your December calendars! This year, East Union's Christmas Eve service will be held at 7:00 pm instead of its traditional 10:30 pm time slot. We know the late service hasn't been an option for many families with young children, and we want to give those families a chance to attend one of the year's special services. So please make a note for your family gatherings on the 24th.

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.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you! Pleasantview Home and the Benefit Steering Committee want to express our thanks to everyone who supported the Benefit Sale! Community support was very generous, with preliminary gross receipts exceeding \$80,000! Remember, you can still eat at Chili's in Coralville anytime through December 6, and if you show them a Pleasantview voucher when you pay, 15% of your purchases will be sent to Pleasantview.

Pathway Senior Class Haystack Supper is scheduled for November 20 from 5-8 pm and the cost is on a donation basis. Proceeds will go towards the senior class trip and senior gift.

Feed the Kids! In order to raise money for Operation Backpack and other local programs meeting the needs of food insecure children in our community, there will be a dinner and auction at Parkside Activities Center in Wellman on Saturday, November 21 at 6 pm. Tickets can be purchased by free will donation at Wellman Produce, Bright Future Chiropractic, M-P FFA Members, or www.eventbrite.com. Questions? Please contact Julie Gordinier 319-936-6390.

The Ten Thousand Villages pop-up store in Iowa City is seeking volunteers who are interested in assisting customers with gift and holiday purchases. Three-hour shifts are available from now through December. Contact iowacity@tenthousandvillages.com or 330-310-3750 if you can help.

Iowa Mennonite School

* *For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink... Matthew 25:35-36.* The IMS chapter of National Honor Society is hosting a food drive to benefit area food pantries. We have set a goal to collect 1,000 food items for the holiday season. Please help us reach our goal by bringing your non-perishable food items to IMS (or to an IMS home basketball game) any time between now and Friday, Dec. 4. NHS students will gather and sort the items and deliver them to the Wellman and Kalona food pantries on Dec. 5. Thank you.

* Two upcoming visit days at IMS will afford potential students the chance to check out the school. Eighth-grade and transfer students are invited to join us for the day and visit classes, eat lunch, attend chapel, and meet faculty and staff...as well as other students. The dates are Wednesday, November 25 and Monday, November 30; parents are also encouraged to meet with administrators from 8:10 - 8:45 am either day. Register by contacting the school (656-2073) or on-line at www.iowamennonite.org/visit

Pumpkin Cheesecakes Dan Fisher and his crew will be making 40 pumpkin cheesecakes for the Thanksgiving season. The cost is \$35 (\$15 for ingredients and \$20 donation). The proceeds will go to Kalona Mennonite's International Student Aid Fund. Cheesecakes may be picked up at Kalona Mennonite Church on Tuesday, November 24, from 4 - 7 pm. To place your order please contact Wanda Miller Beachy at 319-683-3983 beachydw@sharontc.net. The deadline to order is November 18.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Crooked Creek Christian Camp

* **Annual Meeting at Crooked Creek Camp set for November 17.** Turkey tenderloin meal is served at 6:15pm followed by program and meeting at 7pm. Members and all who are interested in Crooked Creek to celebrate the past year are invited to attend.

* **One more week until *Come to the Table Craft Retreat* November 20-21.** This bring-your-own-craft weekend features an opportunity to work on your project. See more details at www.crookedcreekcamp.org

The Crowded Closet Thrift Shop, Iowa City, is seeking a full time Furniture Coordinator. This position would involve managing the daily operations of the Furniture area, overseeing donations, managing volunteers, pricing and organization of furniture items. This position has a competitive wage and a friendly working environment. Applicant must be able to lift heavy items, work quickly, independently, and as part of a team. Excellent public relation skills are required. For more information or detailed job description contact Crowded Closet at [319-337-5924](tel:319-337-5924) or email crowdedcloset.gm@gmail.com.

The Mennonite Historical Society of Iowa will welcome renowned Mennonite historian and story-teller John Ruth to their Fall Meeting at Kalona Mennonite Church on Monday, November 23 at 7 pm. As part of his presentation he will speak about "where the Mennonites came from, where they settled, what the Natives said and thought about this, where they went, and how the French and Indian War finished William Penn's dream of a Peaceable Kingdom." Donations will be taken to provide for John Ruth's expenses. He will have his recently published memoir, [Branch](#), for sale. This will also be a time to renew your membership or join the Mennonite Historical Society. Everyone is welcome. John will also preach here at East Union on November 22.

CENTRAL PLAINS and MENNONITE AGENCIES

Max Villatoro petition Just as the persistent widow cries to the unjust judge and to God for justice in Matthew 18:6, we call upon the Department of Homeland Security to bring Max Villatoro home. Join us by signing a new petition at tiny.cc/bringmaxback. Please help us meet our goal of collecting 5000 signatures to hand-deliver to the Secretary. -- www.FriendsofPastorMax.org

Does sexualized violence concern you? If so, Mennonite Central Committee U.S. invites you to participate in an online survey about this issue. Your answers to the open-ended questions will be used to guide MCC U.S. in its creation of trainings and resources for pastors and leaders in the faith community. Log on to mcc.org/wwso to complete the survey by the end of December.

*Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*Blessed are those who mourn,
for they will be comforted.*

*Blessed are the meek,
for they will inherit the earth.*

*Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness,
for they will be filled.*

*Blessed are the merciful,
for they will receive mercy.*

*Blessed are the pure in heart,
for they will see God.*

*Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.*

*Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you
and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.*

*Rejoice and be glad,
for your reward is great in heaven,
for in the same way they
persecuted the prophets who were before you.*

Matthew 5:3-12