

**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.

<b>Attendance Last Sunday:</b>	
Morning Worship: 163	Sunday School: 102
<b>Giving through 1.31.16</b>	
January 31st Giving	\$ 4,099.00
Year-to-date Giving	\$ 23,240.34

**PRAYER REMINDERS**

**Oaknoll Retirement Home:** Edna Yoder  
**College Students:** Nick Santoro, Cameron Gingerich, Ada Gent  
**Serving in MCC in Bangladesh:** Jen, Kerry, Idonea & Halid Saner-Harvey  
**Praying for God's Healing and Hope:** Wally Fisher, Sam Hochstetler  
**From last week's sharing:** Aimee Moberly (Hanson family in Tama - 8<sup>th</sup> grade girl killed in accidental shooting)  
**Central Plains:** Pray for David Boshart and the rest of the Mennonite Church USA Executive Board as they meet this weekend in Chicago.  
**Mennonite Mission Network:** Today, a delegation of 13 North Americans are worshipping with a congregation in Benin, the Eternal Sacred Order of the Cherubim and Seraphim. Thank God for partnerships developed through Mennonite Mission Network. Pray for Christ's body to be strengthened through relationships deepened on this two-week fellowship visit.

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# East Union Mennonite Church

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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	Greg & Lisa Schmidt
Sermon	Joel Beachy
Pre-Service, Offering, Postlude	Bruce Harvey
Congregational Singing	Karenza Yoder & Quartet

**WORSHIP**

- Call to Worship
- Congregational Singing
- Announcements
- First Fruits Offering
- Scripture Reading: Psalm 138
- Sermon "Wisdom in Community"
- Song of Response
- Sharing Time, Prayer concerns
- Congregational Prayer
- Sending Song
- Benediction

15 minutes of coffee & fellowship time

Sunday School

## THIS WEEK AT EAST UNION

### *Today Sunday, February 7*

- Children will meet upstairs in the choir room for their gathering time. Adults meet in the fellowship hall for adult Sunday school.
- The Jr. MYF would like to extend a welcome for a lunch of soup and salad following Sunday School. The funds raised from this fundraiser will be used for a group summer activity along with other expenses that will occur until the new school year. Thank you in advance for your support!

### *Wednesday, February 10*

- First Choir practice for the Lenten season 7 pm

### *Saturday, February 13*

- IMS Chili Supper. Please see Jenna Boller for advanced tickets.

### *Next Sunday, February 14*

- Marriage Care Breakfast 8 am

## UPCOMING EVENTS

*Thursday, February 18* - Annual Business Meeting 6:30 pm; Church council meeting following at 7 pm. (*misprinted on Chronicle calendar*)

*Sunday, February 21* - Guest Host Night or Noon

## CENTRAL PLAINS and MENNONITE AGENCIES

**Everence** *Share with the ministries close to your heart.* Support your congregation or church missions with planned giving such as bequests, gift annuities, gifts of assets and more. At faith-based Everence, a trusted team of professionals can offer you ease, confidence and flexibility in your generosity. Learn more at [everence.com/charitable-services](http://everence.com/charitable-services).

**You're invited** to join the MCC Central States Board and Staff at our annual Community Engagement Event on Saturday, Feb. 27. Our event this year will be held in the chapel at Tabor College in Hillsboro, Kan. from 8:30-10:45am focusing on Mass Incarceration. We will have a variety of speakers share with the group and time for questions and answers. Please call our office to let us know if you'll be attending at 316.283.2720. All our welcome to attend this informative event with opportunity to engage with MCC board and staff!

## CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WOW!!** This is what happened at CHOW this past Wednesday evening!! A very enthusiastic group of kids and adults swarmed around tables ready to pack food for malnourished and starving people around the world. You broke all records by packaging 11,448 meals in record breaking time. As we observed the fun and fellowship that was happening, we were very blessed. **Thank you Thank you** on behalf of Kids Against Hunger and those dear people who will receive a new lease on life by eating this food. You are an encouragement to us. Ellis & Marcia Miller (and thanks, too, from the Berean Class!)

**We would like to thank** all of those that completed the Christmas Eve service survey. The results did not indicate a clear consensus, but the information will be helpful as the worship committee, elders, and pastor plan for the service this year. If you have questions, please feel free to speak to one of the committee members. Joel Beachy, Larry Detweiler, Steve Groenwold, Grace Rempel, and Lisa Schmidt.

**Save the Date!** Bible School will be held at East Union this summer on June 10-11. We hope to see you there!

**Teachers Needed:** Primary/Junior Sunday School Teachers needed for Quarter 3 and Quarter 4. Please consider dedicating your time and energy to teaching the youth of our church. See sign up sheet under bulletin board or contact Sarah Yoder or Jon Miiller with questions.

### **Quarter 3: March-May**

3 Year Olds: 1 Teacher needed

Primary 1 and Primary 2 (Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade):  
2 Teachers needed

### **Quarter 4: June-August**

3 Year Olds: 1 Teacher needed

4 and 5 Year Olds: 1 Teacher needed

Primary 1 and Primary 2 (Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade):  
2 Teachers needed

Junior Youth: 1 Teacher needed

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**You are invited** to a Valentine coffee house and chocolate buffet at Kalona Mennonite Church on Sunday, February 14, 5 - 7:30 pm. Come join us for a night of java, chocolate, personal stories and performances by various local musicians. Everyone is welcome! Proceeds will benefit KMC's International Student Aid Fund. Our current project is Rudi Mucaj who is currently attending Goshen College.

**Pleasantview's Aging Well** community program will be Tuesday, Feb 16, 10 am in The Friendship Center. You are invited to hear a presentation from The Mercy Wound and Vein Center of Iowa City. Information about the wound center and professional information about skin and foot care will be presented by Judy Bennett and Tanya Erickson of The Center. The broader community is cordially invited to join in these learning opportunities.

### ***Crooked Creek Christian Camp***

\* **Coins for Camp** is in February! Join with other churches collecting coins for camp that will go towards purchasing a new camera to take photos and videos. We plan to post a fabulous picture slideshow after each week long camp with highlights from that week.

\* **February 21 is open gym** at the Activity Center 3-5pm. The climbing wall will be available and if interested please call the camp office.

\* **February 22** is open gym for parents and young children (Pre-K and younger) 10am-12pm.

\* **The High School Retreat** is **April 2-3** at Crooked Creek for one night of woods games, worship and wolfing down food! Churches and/or sponsors have been given more information including registration. You can go online to read more at [www.crookedcreekcamp.org](http://www.crookedcreekcamp.org).

### ***Iowa Mennonite School***

\* Iowa Mennonite School's *Chamber Singers*, under the direction of Josh Tyson, are available to present their annual "Singing Valentines" on Friday, February 12. For \$35, the select group of seven singers will present two songs and a box of chocolates to individual recipients (\$60 for a group). Please contact the school to reserve a spot for the day.

\* Eighth-grade students -- and students considering a transfer -- are invited to visit IMS for a day on Monday, February 15. The day includes visiting classes, attending chapel, eating lunch on campus, and meeting other students and faculty members. To register, contact the school or visit [www.iowamennonite.org](http://www.iowamennonite.org).

**Kalona Mops Fundraiser Meal** Sunday, February 28, 2016, 11:30am-1:30pm at Kalona Mennonite Church. Free will donation. Serving Pork loin, cheesy potatoes, green beans, rolls, fluff & dessert.

**Diana Butler Bass, leading commentator on religion, politics, and culture**, argues that what appears to be a religious decline in America today, actually signals a major transformation in how people understand and experience God. On [Monday, February 15, from 6-8 pm](#) at Dave and Anna Geyer's, Dr. Joy Lapp, Pastor Luann Bengel, and Anna Geyer will introduce Butler Bass's book, *Grounded*, and explore what she describes as a spiritual revolution based on the experience of God with us. Registration for the event is \$10 per person and includes supper around the indoor pizza oven. Registration is limited to 20 people. To register, please call Anna at [319.325.6609](tel:319.325.6609).

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