

***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: Carrie Schmidt & Norah Yoder

Next Sunday: Wanda Yoder & Julia Boller

**PRAYER REMINDERS**

***Windmill Manor:*** Harold Blosser

***College Students:*** Anya Slabaugh, Joel Beachy

***From last week's sharing:*** Continued prayers for Bev Swartzendruber and her extended family after the passing of her dad, Mahlon Leichty; Remembering the families of the victims of 9/11 and for the families who have lost loved ones in the aftermath of conflicts in Iraq, Afghanistan and across the Middle East; Continued prayers for Daniel Miller as he prepares to move to Pleasantview for recovery from hip surgery and respiratory issues.

***Central Plains:*** Today Dave Schooley will be ordained at Eicher Emmanuel Mennonite Church near Wayland, Iowa. Pray for Dave, his wife Kathy and the congregation on this special day.

***Mennonite Mission Network:*** Today, Mennonite Church USA congregations are invited to celebrate Peace Sunday with resources created by Mennonite Mission Network's Peace and Justice Support Network. Pray for God's wisdom as we challenge the violence that continues to be our culture's all-too-frequent response to conflict.

***Mennonite Education Agency:*** Recognizing Sept 21 as the International Day of Peace, pray that adults may bless children by interpreting Christ's love through promoting peaceful environments especially as children encounter violence, exploitation, discrimination and other injustices. Pray that people of the world will recognize as a blessing entrusted to them.

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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	Dennis & Sally Miller
Sermon	Joel Beachy
Prelude	Verna Zook, Sam & Henry Yoder
Congregational Singing	Nici Bontrager
Children's Time	Grace Rempel
Special Music, Offering	Children's Choir

## WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Scripture Reading: Psalm 32:1-7

Congregational Singing

Special Music - Amazing Grace

Announcements

First Fruits Offering

Children's Time: "God's Story: Zacchaeus"

Sermon: 'Making Things Right'

Scripture Reading: Luke 19:1-10

Song of Response

Sharing Time, Testimony, Prayer concerns

Congregational Prayer

Sending Song

Benediction

15 minutes of coffee & fellowship time

Sunday School

## THIS WEEK AT EAST UNION

*Today, Sunday, September 18*

- Back to Church Sunday & Church potluck

*Next Sunday, September 25*

- We are pleased to welcome Pastor José and wife, who minister in northern Mexico. He will provide the sermon and both will share during the Sunday School time. Please note that we will have a special offering that morning.

## CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Out of the office Reminder** Crystal will be out of the office this Friday September 23 and will be printing the bulletin Thursday morning. Please have announcements in by the end of the day Wednesday. Thank you.

### East Union MYF

\* The MYF is missing at least 2 Blue (NIV) bibles. Please check your classrooms or home to see if you have one. They will have MYF written on the inside flap. They are a very basic- no frills, hardback bible. Please let Rebecca, Tom, Catrina or Joel know if you have one and/or return it to the MYF room. Thank you.

\* The MYF is looking for someone to re-cover the couch and chair cushions for the original MYF couch. It had been redone once in the late 90's/early 2000's but no one seems to remember when exactly it happened or who did them. They seem like a basic but well fitted pillow covers. The MYF would buy the fabric and supplies needed. If you would be willing to donate your sewing time, please let Rebecca know. Thanks.

**Webinar** We had an amazing turnout for the September 12 Bible Study Webinar with Meghan Good! If you missed it, watch the video recording on the Bible Study Webinars page at [www.centralplainsmc.org](http://www.centralplainsmc.org). On October 24, she will talk about how we deal with the Bible's most difficult texts. To participate in the October 24 and November 21 webinars, please RSVP on the same web page. East Union will plan to meet again at the church on Monday, October 24 at 7:15 pm. Please talk to Joel Beachy if you are interested in attending. If you weren't at the September 12 webinar, please still feel free to join us.

<b>Attendance Last Sunday:</b>	
Morning Worship: 129	Sunday School: 78
<b>Giving through 9.11.16</b>	
September 11th Giving	\$ 4,333.00
Year-to-date Giving	\$ 199,169.49
Average Weekly Giving Needed:	\$ 6,255.57

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Find Freedom.** Caring for the Heart Ministries of Colorado Springs is committed to assist individuals, couples, and families find freedom from three main areas - emotional issues, spiritual problems, and spiritual strongholds. Learn to apply Biblical principles so that the freedom God originally planned for each person can be experienced. A conference with founder, John Regier, will be held at Upper Deer Creek Church on Sunday morning and evening, **September 18**, and Monday-Wednesday evenings, **September 19-21**. Thursday, **September 22**, will be an all day training. Evening sessions are free, but you can register and pay (\$40 per individual or \$50 per couple) for the training day online at [udcchurch.com](http://udcchurch.com), as well as find more info in a full online brochure. Several counselors will be available. To schedule a session, contact Elmer Miller 319.936.7657

**Crowded Closet** Fall meeting of the Crowded Closet Association will be held Monday, September 19, 7:00pm at Eicher Mennonite Church. All volunteers and interested persons are invited to attend and learn of the latest happenings at the Closet.

**You are invited** to the Gospel Echoes Prison Ministry Banquet at Sunnyside Mennonite Church on Wed., Sept. 28 at 6:30pm. For complimentary tickets contact John & Lilly Miller (656-3034) or Myron & Cathie Hochstedler (683-2491). Tickets are required. A freewill offering will be received for the ministry. Come and be blessed while supporting prison ministry!

### **Iowa Mennonite School**

\* Iowa Mennonite School will be hosting Pastor Jose and his wife from Northern Mexico for a special Chapel service on Friday September 30 from 9:45 to 10:15AM. They will be speaking about showing God's love to the poorest of the poor in a city filled with drug cartel violence. All are welcome!

\* IMS raised around **\$3700 from the Joetown Classic** and we reached our goal of **\$6000 with the Drive 4UR Schools**. Thanks to all who participated and helped make both of these events a success! We love and appreciate the support from our community.

\* **Buy your tickets now!** The one act Christmas opera, *Amahl and the Night Visitors*, by Gian-Carlo Menotti, will be on the Celebration Hall stage for **one night only, December 17 at 7:30 PM**. Come experience the story of the three Magi's visit to the home of Amahl, the crippled shepherd boy and his mother, while on their journey to seek the Christ child. Tickets are \$15 adults; \$10 students. Call the IMS office to reserve your tickets today (656-2073 or 683-2586).

\* The annual **Junior Pork Supper** will be on **Saturday, October 8 serving from 4:30-7:00 PM** in Hillcrest Union on the campus of IMS. The junior class is currently selling tickets, but tickets will also be available at the door. Plan to join us and fellowship around a fantastic meal supporting the junior class at IMS.

**Mennonite Historical Society** Kalona Fall Festival is September 23 -24. The Mennonite Historical Society encourages you to attend and visit the Mennonite Museum and Archives. While you are there look around to see how you and your family fit into the story of Mennonites in Iowa, give suggestions for improvements and tell us what you like, ask about volunteer opportunities and buy some apple butter. During the Festival, the Museum will also have a huge book sale. Mennonite classics, books by prominent Mennonite authors and others will all be offered at half price. Come to find the book you were looking for! There will be some freebies too! We hope to see you there.

**Pleasantview Home** Do you have a bit of time on your hands? A passion for the senior citizens among us? At Pleasantview Home we rely on the energy and willingness of community members to help brighten the lives of our residents. If you're looking for a volunteer opportunity on a periodic or regular basis, please call Wanda Yoder at 656-2421, ext. 146. Come and help our residents "live life to the fullest! And thank you to the many volunteers who already give of their time and resources!

**Do you enjoy singing and have an interest in blessing others with the gift of music?** The Celebration Community Choir which meets every Thursday evening from 7 - 8:00 p.m. in the Pleasantview Home chapel, invites singers of all ages to join them for their 2016-17 season. The group regularly performs for Pleasantview residents and will be preparing a special Christmas performance. While regular attendance is appreciated, the ensemble is very flexible. Come and join us as your schedule allows. For more information, contact Sheila Raim at 319-828-1123.

### **Crooked Creek Christian Camp**

\* Crooked Creek Christian Camp announces that in lieu of the annual Fall Fundraiser (intended for maintenance and repair projects), our goal is to fully fund the new Welcome Center. Brochures are available here at East Union to provide you an opportunity of response and commitment. The goal is to raise \$185,000 to complete the project. Cash gifts for the Welcome Center are invited as one time contributions or pledges (monthly, quarterly or annually) with pledges to be paid by September 2019. Thank you for your consideration!

\* Senior Day is Thursday, October 6. Registration starts at 9 am and activities completing by 3 pm. Maynard Knepp from Goessel, Kansas, will be the featured entertainer and storyteller. Maynard will present several story lines including "Jonas: The life and times of an Amishman" and "Slickfester Dude, the life of being a farm cat." You won't want to miss this opportunity! Register your attendance online at [www.crookedcreekcamp.org](http://www.crookedcreekcamp.org) or by calling the camp office.

\* Cooking Ministry Opportunity: Camp is seeking 2 people to occasionally work in the kitchen 1-2 weekends per month. Visit camp's website [crookedcreekcamp.org](http://crookedcreekcamp.org) "Job Opportunities" and see options for how you might contribute to furthering the ministry of camp in a tangible way!