

# 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.*

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Worship Leader	Don & Verna Zook
Sermon	Joel Beachy
Prelude, Offering	Nici Bontrager
Congregational Singing	Beth Yoder & Quartet
Special Music	Adult Choir

## WORSHIP

Call to Worship  
 Congregational Singing  
 Scripture Reading: Psalm 112  
 Announcements  
 First Fruits Offering  
 Sermon: "Generosity"  
     Scripture Reading: 11 Corinthians 9  
 Song of Response  
 Invitation to Healing Service  
 Sharing Time, Testimony, Prayer concerns  
 Congregational Prayer

*Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your Name;  
 Your Kingdom come, your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins,  
 As we forgive those who sin against us.  
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
 For yours is the kingdom, and the power  
 And the glory forever. AMEN*

Special Music  
 Benediction

15 minutes of coffee & fellowship time

Sunday School

## *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: 133	
<b>Giving through 10.16.16</b>	
October 16th Giving	\$ 5,006.00
Year-to-date Giving	\$ 229,917.49
Average Weekly Giving Needed:	\$ 6,308.55

## PRAYER REMINDERS

**Pleasantview Home:** Dorothy Rhodes, Dorothy Helmuth

**College Students:** Emma Yoder, Mariah Swartzentruber

**From last week's sharing:** Ed Yoder - brother is home; Pam & Doug Stoltzfus traveling to Malaysia to be with Pam's sister Sarah and her husband Francis who has been diagnosed with cancer.

**Central Plains:** Pray for the Central Plains Christian Formation Committee as they meet this weekend to discern how best to provide formation resources to our member congregations. Lewis Miller of Beemer, Nebraska, is the chair and Shana Peachey Boshart staffs the committee.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Marvin Lorenzana gives leadership to Mennonite Mission Network's Missional Discipleship Initiative. Pray for Marvin and the 200 participants in 18 congregations who learn to share their faith in ways that can be heard as good news. Pray for others to join this initiative.

**Mennonite Education Agency:** Pray for the world's children who are marginalized through opportunity gaps of adequate food, water, health care, shelter and quality education. Pray that God will open the eyes of the family of faith to the inherent dignity and worth of these children and to extend love, justice and equality for all by meeting children's needs to reach their God-given potential.

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## CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The MYF** will be having a Waffle Breakfast-Supper during the November CHOW (Wednesday 2nd, 6:00 p.m.) to raise money for the Mennonite Youth Convention in Orlando (July 2017). We'll be serving sausage and eggs too. If you have never participated in CHOW or rarely do, this would be a perfect time to try it out! Help support our high school youth!

**Jose G and Raquel would like to thank everyone** for their hospitality during their visit a few weeks ago. If you heard Jose speak you know that he has a dream of having a church building on land that is owned by the church and has running water and electricity. One goal of this project would be to access more stable long term funding from larger church agencies. Jose is talking with interested sellers in Reynosa and believes that he can purchase land that would meet his needs for \$13,000 to \$14,000. To date we have pledges of \$5,000 towards this purchase of land. If you are interested in making a pledge to this project please contact Janet Geyer or Jim Brenneman. Jim's email is [jimbrenneman@hotmail.com](mailto:jimbrenneman@hotmail.com) or you can call 319-330-1797.

**Benefit for Lincoln Mack:** Saturday, November 5, 5:00 - 10:00 pm at Eagles Lodge, 225 Highway 1 W, Iowa City. There will be dinner, silent auction, raffle (need not be present to win) and music by English River Band. Come show your love for Lincoln and support the Mack family during their battle with a rare form of leukemia! If you have any item(s) you would like to donate for the auction or raffle, please talk to Lisa Schmidt or email [catherineswifty@gmail.com](mailto:catherineswifty@gmail.com)

## CENTRAL PLAINS and MENNONITE AGENCIES

### **Latest stewardship resource from Everence**

Everence® has released the fourth resource of its ongoing educational series, *7 steps to integrating faith and finances*. You should receive this month's release in your mailbox this week. This month's topic, *Connect my faith to my protection plan*, provides a biblical perspective on the topic of insurance, plus practical advice about when each type is appropriate. We encourage you to take a little time with this resource as a way of looking at your finances from a faith perspective.

**Mennonite Central Committee** (MCC) welcomes donations of money for its disaster response in Haiti, where people are suffering the effects of Hurricane Matthew, which crossed the country Oct. 4. Matthew's high winds and extensive flooding caused significant damage and increased already heightened cholera concerns in the Artibonite Valley, where MCC's long-term reforestation program operates. To donate, visit [mcc.org/hurricane-matthew](http://mcc.org/hurricane-matthew); call 1-888-563-4676 or send a check to MCC, 21 S. 12th St., PO Box 500, Akron PA 17501.

## THIS WEEK AT EAST UNION

### **Today, Sunday, October 23**

- **Healing service** The healing service today will include two stations, one at the front and back of the sanctuary, where those interested may come for prayer and anointing. The healing service is designed for individuals to pray with an elder or pastor for physical, emotional, and/or spiritual healing for themselves or on behalf of a friend or loved one. Please consider how God is calling all of us towards healing and wholeness. Peace and Blessings, Pastor Joel

### **Monday, October 24**

- Bible study webinar with Meghan Good. Meghan will be talking about how we deal with the Bible's most difficult texts. **Today is the last day to RSVP.** To participate in this webinar, please RSVP at [www.centralplainsmc.org](http://www.centralplainsmc.org). Please talk to Joel Beachy if you are interested in attending. If you weren't at the last webinar, please still feel free to join us.

### **Wednesday, October 26**

- Choir practice 7 pm

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **Wednesday, November 2 - CHOW**

All are welcome to come and hear from Bruce & Karen Harvey, and get a glimpse of God's hand at work in Bangladesh, Southern China, and Northern Thailand.

### **Sunday, November 6 - Marriage Care Breakfast**

Reminder to all mentor & mentees. We will be having our annual fall MarriageCare Breakfast at 8 am. Please RSVP to Janet Geyer by Sunday, October 30 if you plan to attend and if childcare is needed

*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.*

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## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *You are invited to Sunday Supper and Movie Nights*

Food for All, sponsor of Kalona Summer Lunch, welcomes you to join us in "creating community so everyone eats"! Our first sit-down supper will be at Kalona Methodist **tonight** at 5:30 p.m. with a family-friendly movie immediately following. As with everything we do, it's free or by donation, and everyone is welcome--families, couples, singles, rich or poor or in between. Bring a comfortable chair and/or blanket for relaxing during the movie.

If you'd like to help at this or a future Sunday Supper (Nov. 20, Dec. 11 and 25, and Jan. 15 and 29), such as by making desserts or engaging restless children with games or crafts, contact Amy at 656-3916 or [foodforallkalona@gmail.com](mailto:foodforallkalona@gmail.com). Monetary donations can be sent to Food for All, PO Box 553, Kalona. For more information about Food for All, visit our website at [www.foodforallkalona.weebly.com](http://www.foodforallkalona.weebly.com).

**West Union Mennonite Church** We will be having a fundraising meal on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> 11:30 - 1:00 at West Union Mennonite Church to raise money for needs in the Dad community inside La Valle de Jacmel, Haiti. David Raphael, a West Union member, has family in this area working with a local committee to provide relief for immediate needs of food, shelter and building materials to replace roofs on their homes.

**Fairview Mennonite Church** is hosting "Ryan & Friends" comedian and ventriloquist at 7 pm on Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. For more information call 319-936-7763 or visit [ryanandfriends.com](http://ryanandfriends.com)

**Get your feather or foam pillows cleaned**, sanitized, deodorized & NEW TICKING on Tuesday, November 8 from 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m. at Kalona Mennonite Church. Sponsored by the Kalona Mennonite WMSC

**Feed the Kids Mid-Prairie Dinner and Auction** is set for Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm at Parkside Banquet Hall in Wellman. Feed the kids M-P helps kids who are unsure of where their next meal is coming from have food through the backpack program on weekends and also during summer or holiday breaks. During the school year each backpack contains 10-12 items that kids can easily prepare for themselves.

Tickets can be purchased:

- At Wellman Produce Company in Wellman
- By emailing [mpfeedthekids@gmail.com](mailto:mpfeedthekids@gmail.com).
- At the door the night of the event

Ticket cost is a free will donation

Can't attend the event but would like to help? Would you consider a monetary donation, or donating an item for the auction? Feel free to contact us at [mpfeedthekids@gmail.com](mailto:mpfeedthekids@gmail.com) or call 319-936-6390.

100% of donations go towards purchasing food.

### *Iowa Mennonite School*

\* The **IMS Fall Drama**, Those Crazy Old Ladies In The House On The Corner will be showing in Celebration Hall on **November 5 at 7:00PM and on November 6 at 3:00PM**. Get your tickets now by calling the office (656-2073 or 683-2586). Tickets are \$8/Adults and \$5/Students.

\* **Blood Drive** - The IMS chapter of the National Honor Society is hosting a blood drive on **Monday November 7 7:00-11:00AM**. Plan now to donate blood by scheduling a donation time through the IMS office (656-2073 or 683-2586).

\* 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 and \$10/students. Call the IMS office to reserve your tickets today (656-2073 or 683-2586).

### *Pleasantview Home Benefit Sale*

\* You are invited to the **Pleasantview Home Benefit Sale November 4 and 5 at IMS**. Friday: Turkey tenderloin meal (by donation) served 4:00 - 7:30 pm. Silent auction 4:00 - 6:20 pm, followed by live auction. Bake Sale 5:00 pm and Concession Stand with pie and ice cream throughout. Sharon Bethel Quartet and Wellman Mennonite Church Worship Team 5:15 - 6:15 pm. Saturday: All you can eat pancakes & sausage breakfast (by donation) served 6:30 - 10:00 am; live auction 8:30 am until all items sold, or about noon. Bake sale 8:00 til all items sold. See <http://www.pvhome.org> (benefit sale tab). More info: 656-2421.

\* **Bakers needed** for bake sale for Pleasantview Benefit! White bread, wheat bread, cinnamon rolls, pies, cookies, cupcakes, party mix, either packaged to sell or in bulk and we will package. Please label items with ingredients so people are alerted to possible allergies. Bring items to IMS gym after 1:00 on Friday or by 8:00 Saturday morning.

**Greetings friends in Christ**, West Union Mennonite Church is hosting a special weekend focus on Worship on November 11-13. Rebecca Slough, Academic Dean and Associate Professor of Worship and the Arts at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, is our featured speaker for the weekend. Our theme is "We are here to worship...Now What?" On Friday night, we will meet for a light supper and then hear an introductory presentation on "Why Worship?" The conversation continues on Saturday morning with "What is Worship?" On Saturday afternoon, Rebecca will lead a workshop for worship leaders, scripture readers and story tellers. In the evening, Rebecca will lead us in a hymn sing. It will be a full weekend.

If you are interested in attending all or any part of this weekend, you are welcome to come, free of charge. If you are interested, please let Candi Schmieder, our Administrative Assistant know of how many might be coming so we can prepare accordingly.

Thanks so much and God's blessings to you all, Corey Miller, pastor