

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	Greg & Sarah Yoder
Sermon	Joel Beachy
Prelude, Offering	Steve & Ella Groenewold
Congregational Singing	Steve Groenewold & Quartet

WORSHIP

Call to Worship
 Congregational Singing
 Scripture Reading: Matthew 5:1-12
 Announcements
 First Fruits Offering
 Coins for Camp
 Sermon: "Walk humbly with our God"
 Scripture Reading: Micah 6:1-8
 Song of Response
 Sharing Time, Testimony, Prayer concerns
 Congregational Prayer
 Sending Song
 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.

Toddler Room Staff during Worship Service:

Today: Marv Slabaugh & Collin Miller
 Next Sunday: Norman Schrock & Jacob Boller

Attendance Last Sunday:	
Morning Worship: 125	Sunday School: 93
Giving through 1.22.17	
January 22th Giving	\$ 7,485.00
Year-to-Date Giving	\$ 20,306.00

PRAYER REMINDERS

At Home: Emma Jean Schrock
College Students: Tommy Cikos Rhodes, Cameron Gingerich
From last week's sharing: Chris Rhodes (opening our hearts to sharing our story with others during upcoming interviews) Tom Bailey (family's recent diagnosis)
Central Plains: With the St. Paul Hmong Mennonite Church, give thanks for the renewal of Pastor Xeng's R-1 visa which will allow him to continue leading the congregation for another three years.
Mennonite Education Agency: Students who weren't on campus for Bethel College's January interterm or who are new for spring 2017 move into residence halls today - pray for a good start and a successful semester for these and all Bethel students.
Mennonite Mission Network: Mary Raber of Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for pastors who spend time in the militarized zones of eastern Ukraine and for the thousands of displaced people they serve. May God provide for the physical and spiritual resources for those who have suffered so much.

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are invited to NOW (Night of Worship) **TONIGHT** at 5:00 pm (NOTE TIME CHANGE) at Lower Deer Creek Mennonite Church. This is a community event that will be geared for families. So bring your friends and your family for worship, cookies and coffee!

Iowa Mennonite School

* **Chili Supper** - IMS seniors are selling tickets for the Chili Supper fundraiser. Get your tickets and plan to join us on February 11.

* **Singing Valentines** - The IMS Chamber Singers will be performing them again this year on Tuesday February 14. They will deliver 2 songs for \$35 or several songs for a group for \$60. Each Singing Valentine will also include a small (4 piece box) of Kalona Chocolates.

* **Upcoming Enrollment Events** - look for more info in the coming weeks.

February 20 - Visit Day

February 24 - Middle School Skating Party

March 2 - Prospective Family Night

Crooked Creek Christian Camp

* **March 10-11** is the spring Craft Retreat! You can sign up online or call the camp office.

* **Summer Camp:** Make a difference in the lives of youth! Accepting applications now for summer staff counselors! For more information and to fill out the staff application go to crookedcreekcamp.org

* **Welcome Center** construction: Thank you for your financial contributions that have encouraged this project to continue! This month drywall was completed. Painting finished this past week and we are preparing for the installation of desks and cabinets. Nearly \$115,000 remains for the project! Thank you for your support of ministry at Crooked Creek!

Join us at Wellman Mennonite Church on February 4-5 for learning and exploration around what it means to be Christ to people of Islamic faith. With input from Philip Friesen and John Spalding, members of 'The Galilean Fellows', which is a community of scholars in Minneapolis engaging the culture and thought of the contemporary world with Jesus and the Scriptures. For more information see posted fliers or Wellman Mennonite on facebook.

CENTRAL PLAINS and MENNONITE AGENCIES

Confidential financial counseling - LSS Financial Counseling offers free confidential counseling to people who face financial struggles or have questions about basic financial matters. Sponsored by faith-based Everence Financial, LSS can help to review your credit reports or consider ways to improve your credit score. Visit everence.com/LSS.

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THIS WEEK AT EAST UNION

Wednesday, February 1

- **CHOW:** Meal by Dunamis Class; activity by Stewards class and MYF. There will also be comforters set up for knotting.

Thursday, February 2

- Calling all quilters and knotters to a day of quilting or knotting. Please bring a sack lunch.

Next Sunday, February 5

- Super Bowl Sunday, the Jr. MYF will be hosting a "Soup-er Bowl" Lunch after church. Join us as we raise funds for our summer activity.

CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

New address: Beth & Caleb Yoder are now at home at: PO Box 266 N Newton, KS 67117

Gift Discernment A ballot to affirm Sandi Rhodes as Early Childhood Coordinator is in your mailbox today. Please fill out and return to the Gift Discernment box by next Sunday, February 5. Thank you!

February is East Union food pantry month. Mennonite Women and the Shekinah Sunday School class are once again organizing a food drive to help stock the Kalona Food Pantry at the United Christian Baptist Church. Last year, we collected over 3,000(!) combined dollars and pantry items. And we're going to try to do it again. Remember to bring your donations (monetary and/or undented, unexpired food and hygiene items) starting February 5th. Let's pack the back of the sanctuary!

Iglesia Zoar - A group of five from East Union and West Union will be traveling to McAllen, Texas on February 8-13. The group will meet with Jim and Diane Brenneman and cross the border into Mexico at least twice to visit Jose and Iglesia Zoar. The group will be purchasing blankets and shoes to share with those in need at the church. If you are interested in helping with the purchase of these items, please make a financial contribution to East Union and write "**Iglesia Zoar Supplies**" in the memo line. Questions? See Joel Beachy or Janet Geyer. Thank you!

Youth/Advocate Lunch: Please make plans with your youth or advocate to stay after church on Sunday, February 19th. More information to come!

Don't miss out on the Women's Chicago trip to IKEA on Saturday, March 4th (for women high school and up)! We'll leave from the church at 6:00 and return around 10:30/11:00. It will be \$25.00/person includes tax but not gratuity if we can fill the entire bus (holds 55). The bus will park at IKEA and stay there. Schaumburg offers a free trolley service between IKEA, Woodfield Mall, Woodfield Village Green and Streets of Woodfield that runs every 15 to 20 minutes. There is a sign up sheet on the table outside of the library or contact Rebecca at rabeachy@msn.com. **Please sign up by Sunday, February 12th.** If we do not have the bus filled by that time, we'll open it up to middle schoolers and family members that attend other churches.