

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	Marv Rempel
Sermon	Joel Beachy
Prelude, Offering	Bruce Harvey
Congregational Singing	Steve Groenewold, Quartet & Youth
Children's Time	Kim Blauvelt

WORSHIP

Call to Worship
 Congregational Singing
 Scripture Reading: Luke 16:1-13
 Announcements
 First Fruits Offering
 Children's Time
 Sermon: "Getting it wrong or getting it right...or wrong"
 Song of Response
 Sharing Time, Testimony, Prayer concerns
 Congregational Prayer
 Sending Song
 Benediction

Coffee and fellowship time at Summer 2nd Hour

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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: Janet Geyer & Ella Groenewold

Attendance Last Sunday:	
Morning Worship: 95	
Giving through 7.23.17	
July 23rd Giving	\$ 4,205.00
Year-to-Date Giving	\$ 152,482.67
Average weekly giving needed	\$ 6,588.92

PRAYER REMINDERS

Pleasantview Home: Dorothy Rhodes, Dorothy Helmuth
Iglesia Zoar: Prayer for Iglesia Zoar, Jose, Raquel, Emma and community.
From last week's sharing: Ed Yoder (neice, Lena Yoder, broken leg); Dorothea Moberly (grandson, Jacob, and classmates in D.C. for a week); Adrian Blauvelt (bible memory camp); Judy Showalter (parents health concerns); Ken Hochstedler (MCC world concerns)
Central Plains: Pray for those preparing for the next school year at Iowa Mennonite School, Kalona, IA, and Freeman Academy in Freeman, SD.
Mennonite Mission Network: Tomorrow, Mennonite Mission Network's Discipleship Initiative uses small groups to encourage spiritual growth in congregations. Because of its relational culture, transformation spreads to the entire church. Pray for Marvin Lorenzana, the coordinator, and all who open themselves to the Holy Spirit's work through this ministry.
Mennonite Education Agency: Eastern Mennonite University, Harrisonburg, Virginia - Pray for the youth who are on campus this summer for basketball, baseball, volleyball and soccer camps. May they rejoice in fun and fellowship as they grow in skills and passion for their sport.

CENTRAL PLAINS and MENNONITE AGENCIES

Pray for next month's MHS board meetings as that agency prepares for leadership transition and works toward its goals for the health ministries of the church. CEO/President Rick Stiffney has announced his retirement effective spring 2018.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

J-POG (Just Peace Outreach Group) invites you to hear Jacob Yoder address the topic "Genocide, Food Security, and Hope: An MCC'ers reflections on service in Rwanda and Burundi." Jacob will describe his work in the African nations of Burundi and Rwanda developing food security projects with Mennonite Central Committee. Join us at West Union Mennonite Church, on Sunday, August 6, at 6 pm for a finger food potluck (please bring your own table service) and conversation, or at 7 pm for Jacob's presentation. For more information, contact Roger Farmer at 319-653-2547 or Jane Yoder-Short at wilmajane17@gmail.com.

Mid-Prairie Student Boosters presents E.T. at the Free Family Movie Night on Friday, August 11th, on the Middle School lawn at 8:30 p.m. Please bring blankets and lawn chairs. The Boosters will provide popcorn and water

Courage Ride set for Saturday, August 20 Save the date to participate and/or support the Courage Ride in honor of our brother, Seth Bailey. For more information, go to <http://www.courageride.org/>

Pleasantview Home NEEDED: A beef or donations towards the purchase and processing of a beef which will be sold in frozen packages at the Pleasantview Home Benefit sale Nov. 3 and 4. If you or your Sunday School class would like to contribute, please contact Nyle Kauffman (354-3304) or Larry Swartzendruber (656-2421). Also, please be thinking about what you might contribute to the silent and/or live auction. And make plans to attend the events in November!

Crowded Closet Looking for part time employment? Enjoy greeting people and sorting for treasures? Join the Crowded Closet team as a Presort Assistant. Job includes some Saturdays, competitive wage and best of all giving to MCC as you work! Call or email Crowded Closet at 319-337-5924, crowdedcloset.gm@gmail.com.

Prophetic Imagination Retreat On August 4-6, Spirit of Christ Church in Iowa City will be hosting a retreat called *Introduction to the Prophetic Imagination* (IPI). The retreat will be led by Mark Van Steenwyk and Daniel Wolpert from the Mennonite Worker in Minneapolis. The retreat brings together deep political analysis with the practices of Christian contemplation so that we might prophetically challenge the ways that our society fosters alienation and death while finding a path to healing and life. Please contact Pastor Scott Roser if you are interested: sroser86@gmail.com

Iowa Mennonite School

* **SUMMER CAMPS** We still have openings in all our upcoming camps which include: *Drama Camp with Camp Creamery, Volleyball Camp*. Please see full descriptions and sign up online for these camps at www.iowamennonite.org/camps.

July 30th Bulletin insert

THIS WEEK AT EAST UNION

Tuesday, August 1

- Mennonite women meet. Devotions by Charlene Rhodes. The topic will be: 'New Beginning.' Our project will be School Kits. Potluck.

Friday, August 4

- **SHAPE NOTE SINGING FROM THE SACRED HARP** - Beat the heat and join us at 7:00PM in the air conditioned East Union foyer as we make a joyful noise unto the Lord! The acoustics are lively, the people are cool, and the harmonies are extraordinary. This a cappella, 4-part early American sacred music stirs your soul. All are welcome - no experience necessary! Questions? Contact Tammy Yoder at greenearth@kctc.net or Warren Yoder at dubyoder@gmail.com.

Next Sunday, August 6

- Gift Discernment form are due.

SUMMER 2ND HOUR

Today, Sunday, July 30 - Parable Activities

To be held in the Fellowship Hall. Join us as we continue to explore what Jesus is teaching through the parable of the Dishonest Manager. We will be doing this through Scripture, activities and question. Coffee and drinks will be served in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday, August 6 - Kalona Park Picnic/Swim

Come celebrate Summer Second Hour with a picnic potluck at the Kalona Park following the morning service. Bring your swimsuits and head to the pool after lunch to cool off and soak up some sun! The potluck will be held in pavilion C next to the pool. Please transport your own food from the church to the park. Bring your own tableware, drinks will be provided. Come and enjoy some time together!

Sunday, August 13 - Round Table Activity

Come join us for an opportunity to engage the Parable of the Sheep and the Goats through activities and conversation in a round table format. All ages are encouraged to examine the actions that Jesus distinguishes between the sheep and the goats. How will we take this challenge into our week?

CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the date! A bridal shower will be held on Saturday, August 12 at 10:00 AM for Aimee Moberly. Aimee is registered at Target and Bed, Bath and Beyond.

Gift Discernment If you haven't already done so, please fill out the ballot forms that were in mailboxes last Sunday and place them in the Gift Discernment box. Thank you.