

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	Dale & Charlene Rhodes
Sermon	Jose Gutierrez
Prelude, Offering	Grace Rempel
Congregational Singing	Steve Groenewold, Quartet & Praise Band

WORSHIP

Call to Worship
 Congregational Singing
 Scripture Reading: Psalm 103:1-13
 Announcements
 First Fruits Offering
 Sermon: "Enviados por Dios: Sent by God"
 Scripture Reading: John 1:6-7
 Song of Response
 Special Offering
 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: Wanda Yoder & Julia Boller
 Next Sunday: Lisa Schmidt & Grace Miller

Attendance Last Sunday:	
Morning Worship: 127	Sunday School: 77
Giving through 9.10.17	
September 10th Giving	\$ 5,617.00
Year-to-Date Giving	\$ 187,157.22
Average weekly giving needed	\$ 7,352.12

PRAYER REMINDERS

Pleasantview Home: Dorothy Rhodes, Dorothy Helmuth

College Students: Joel Beachy, Nick Santoro

Iglesia Zoar: Prayer for Iglesia Zoar, Jose, Raquel, Emma and community.

From last weeks sharing: Healing for Kendra Bailey

Central Plains: Pray for those leading and participating in the Central Plains fall women's retreat taking place this weekend at Swan Lake Christian Camp.

Mennonite Mission Network: Yesterday the Argentina Mennonite Church began celebrating their centennial anniversary. Pray that God will be glorified as church members and guests worship and remember God's faithfulness. Pray also that today's mission rally in the greater Buenos Aires area will introduce people to Jesus in new ways.

Mennonite Education Agency: Goshen (Indiana) College

Pray for Goshen College students and faculty as the new school year begins.

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38th Annual Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale

June 2 & 3, 2017

Treasurer's Report - Cash Flow

Cash Balance, Jan 1, 2017 **\$11,992.80**

Income

Auction - General	\$30,136.35	
Auction - Quilts	39,611.00	
Booths & Other	16,647.57	
Donations - General	19,089.22	
Donations - Designated	1,100.00	
Food - Meals & Shops	52,404.38	
Interest Income	23.41	
My Coins Count	18,770.72	
Ten Thousand Villages	326.25	
Total Income	\$178,108.90	\$178,108.90

Expenses

Advertising/Printing	\$7,829.20	
Facilities & Equipment Rental	6,990.32	
Purchased Items for Resale	1,334.00	
Food Expenses	20,414.61	
Insurance	1,840.00	
Administrative Costs	2,454.53	
Other Event Expenses	2,880.70	
Fixed Assets & Equipment		
Repairs	607.70	
Misc Supplies	257.83	
Total Expenses	\$44,608.89	\$44,608.89

Net Cash On Hand \$145,492.81

Cash Balance - July, 2017 **\$145,492.81**

Thanks to the dedication and efforts of each individual who helped make this year's event successful, \$135,000 was recommended by the board to be sent to MCC. Action for this was taken at the Annual Meeting on June 22, 7 p.m., at Kalona Mennonite. Next year's event will be June 1 - 2, 2018, at the Johnson County Fairgrounds in Iowa City. Additional Note: \$1,768 donation for My Coins Count was sent directly to MCC and is not reflected in this report.

Thank you, Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale Board

September 17th Bulletin insert

THIS WEEK AT EAST UNION

Sunday, September 17

- Today we will welcome Jose and his family once again to share about the powerful ministry at Iglesia Zoar. We will be receiving a special offering to continue to support this ministry. Jose will also speak during the Sunday school hour. Any adult Sunday school classes that are interested are welcome to gather in the sanctuary following the coffee time.
- Women's bible study 3 pm

Monday, September 18

- Senior Saints Day - Come hear stories from the early days of East Union to the present, as we remember our Goodly Heritage.

Tuesday, September 19

- Church Council Meeting 7 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, September 26 - Central Plains Bible Study Webinar.

See announcement for details.

Sunday, October 8 - Guest Host Night or Noon (or Sat evening, Oct 7)

CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Out of the office Pastor Joel will be out of the office Wednesday, September 20 through Tuesday, September 26 for vacation. If you have an emergency, please contact one of the elders (Larry Detweiler, Karen Harvey, Wanda Yoder, or Will Miller)

Out of the office Crystal will be out of the office Friday, September 22 and printing the bulletins on Wednesday. Please have bulletins announcements in by noon. Thank you!

Thanks to Gaylord Yoder and Loren Hochstedler who provided hayrides for those at CHOW on Wednesday night driving their refurbished John Deere tractors!

Prints by local artist, L. Glen Guengerich, former member of East Union, are on display in the foyer this morning. They are free and you are welcome to take any print you would like to have.

Choir Rehearsals starting This Wednesday at 7:00, choir rehearsals begin for the fall. We welcome back all returning members and extend an invitation to anyone else interested in joining us for the three months leading up to Christmas.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

REVIVE Iowa On Tuesday, September 19 a group from Time to Revive of Dallas, Texas will be in the area for three days preparing to bring their movement here in January. They will begin with an open meeting at Kalona United Methodist Church on Tuesday the 19th at 7 pm. An open meeting for High School and College Age Youth will be held at Pathway School at 7 pm on Wednesday, September 20. The Group will include Nate Beachy from Florida, Steve Bachman and Jason Revels from Indiana.

Kalona MOPS is in need of childcare workers from 8:30 -11:45 AM the second and fourth Thursdays of the month. If this is something you would like to donate your time to and bless a mother with some kid-free mommy time, please call Mary Beth Miller, 319-430-9226.

Lifeguard Ministry is hosting a Kickball and Cornhole Tournament on Sept. 23rd at 10:30am at Kalona City Park. We are inviting all 3rd - 6th grade students and their families to join us for some family fun. The whole family is invited. This event is FREE. All 3rd - 6th grade students will get a FREE T-shirt. Free lunch is provided for all the families. Lifeguard Ministry is a high school student run ministry and this is their first event. Come for the family fun.

The first Central Plains Bible Study Webinar is coming soon! Join us at 7:30pm on Tuesday, September 26, for *Don't Mourn or Weep: Goals and problems*. We'll start with how leaders can contribute to a good study and move on to addressing the biggest challenges leaders encounter. These free webinars are especially for Sunday School teachers of youth and adults or facilitators of small groups, but anyone is welcome. RSVP on the Bible Study Webinars 2017 page at www.centralplainsmc.org by Thursday, Sept 21.

Iowa Mennonite School

* **Homecoming & Alumni Family Weekend** will take place on campus Oct 13-15. Events will include alumni volleyball and soccer games, Joetown Classic, food fundraiser by the PTO with outdoor music by The Young Ramblers, and the Annual Pork Supper. Campus will be open all weekend for tours and for classes to meet. ***Note a change - we will not be having a worship service Sunday morning. Instead there will be a Hymn Sing in Celebration Hall at 7:30PM (after the Pork Supper).**

* **The Joetown Classic** 5K run walk will take place on Saturday October 14 at IMS. Go to iowamennonite.org/joetown-classic for details and to register.

* **The Annual Pork Supper** will be on Saturday October 14 serving from 4:30-7:00PM in Hillcrest Union. The junior class is currently selling tickets, but tickets will also be available at the door. Tickets are \$10 Adults, \$9 Seniors 65+, \$5 Kids 4-12, and Free Kids 0-3.

* Practice has begun for the fall musical, **Anne of Green Gables** directed by Alisa Kandel and Michael Swartzendruber. There will be performances on Nov 4 and 5.

Pleasantview Home

* Pleasantview Home will be hosting a monthly Family Support Group for persons whose family member is experiencing dementia. The next meeting will be held in the Miller Chapel on Thursday, September 28 from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. This group is open to the community and the family member does not need to live at Pleasantview.

* **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!

* The **Pleasantview Benefit Sale** will be **November 3 and 4 at IMS** in a similar format to last year. How can YOU help? Volunteer to help serve a meal, serve on the breakfast committee, bake for the bake sale, donate a monetary gift, or donate auction items such as: meals in homes, hand-made items, gift certificates, donations of labor, themed baskets, a batch of soup or a dessert delivered every month for 6-12 months, etc. **We would like non-perishable items before October 30th to put pictures on pvhome.org.** For more info, contact: Nyle (chair) and Lauralee Kauffman (319-354-3304), Julie Gingerich (319-325-5540) (Carl and Donna Darby (319-887-7097), Kris Brenneman (319-683-2661), Pam Hochstedler (319-656-3558), Grace Rempel (319-683-2681), or Larry Swartzendruber at Pleasantview (319-656-2421). Thank you!

CENTRAL PLAINS and MENNONITE AGENCIES

Urgent! MCC Mobile Meat Cannery Volunteer Needed! MCC urgently seeks a volunteer that is at least 21 years old to work with the meat canner! Truck driving skills are ideal, but MCC is willing to provide training as well. The meat canning season starts up in October, please help MCC fill this vital need. For more information, please contact John Hillegass at johnhillegass@mcc.org or (717) 859-1151.

MCC responds to Hurricane Irma damage in Cuba and Haiti: Hurricane Irma tore roofs from houses in Cuba and dashed houses to the ground. In Haiti, Irma's rain turned into flash floods that rushed into houses and caused families to escape in waist-high water. In both countries, crops, gardens and livestock were destroyed. Your gift to Mennonite Central Committee helps people in Cuba to rebuild and people in Haiti to recover. You can donate online at donate.mcc.org/cause/hurricane-irma-response. Contributions can also be made by calling 1-888-563-4676 or sending a check to MCC, 21 S. 12th St., PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501.