

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.

Our Motto: *Growing in the way of Jesus, sharing God's love, Word & hope.*

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Worship Leader	Don & Verna Zook
Sermon	Joel Beachy
Prelude, Offering	Steve Groenewold, Sarena & Evelyn Gerber
Congregational Singing	Lisa Schmidt & Quartet

WORSHIP

Call to Worship: Sing the Journey #177
 Congregational Singing
 Scripture Reading: God as Creator - excerpts from the Psalms
 Announcements
 First Fruits Offering
 Presentation of Bibles
 Sermon: "The earth is the Lord's and everything in it"
 Scripture: Matthew 22:15-22
 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: Judy Showalter & Sarena Gerber
 Next Sunday: Norman Schrock & Jacob Boller

Attendance Last Sunday:	
Morning Worship: 112	Sunday School: 65
Giving through 10.15.17	
October 8th Giving (corrected)	\$ 5,590.75
October 15 th Giving	\$ 2,858.00
Year-to-Date Giving	\$ 212,965.78
Average weekly giving needed	\$ 8,447.32 (10 weeks remaining)

PRAYER REMINDERS

Health and Healing: Harold Blosser

College Students: Joel Beachy

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

From last week's sharing: Ryan Knepp and Emily Miller, health concerns; the passing of Catrina's cousin, Jesse.

Central Plains: Pray for those who are planning and participating in the webinar on Tuesday at 7:30pm, "Listen Closely: Facilitating good discussion," the second in our series of three free webinars offering practical tips for leading Bible study. Also pray for the Annual Meeting Task Group meeting Thursday.

Mennonite Mission Network: Today, 26 Mennonite Voluntary Service participants begin their five-day retreat at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp in Colorado. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for safe travels and a meaningful time of worship and fellowship.

Mennonite Education Agency: Bluffton (Ohio) University Today, Wendy Chappell-Dick and the Anabaptist Singers will present *Grace to You and Peace: Voices of the Martyrs* as part of the *Mirror of the Martyrs* exhibit at Bluffton University. Pray for the performers who will tell the moving stories of the Anabaptist martyrs and pray for the audience to share the message in their own lives.

CHURCH NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Gift Discernment Committee asks you to prayerfully consider the following people to fill the position beside their name(s). Ballots to affirm names are in your mailboxes and are due next Sunday, October 29.

MCC Relief Sale Rep - Janet Geyer

Book study open to all: The Doulos class is going to start reading/studying *Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire* by Jim Cymbala on Sunday, November 5th. We welcome anyone who would like to study this book with us! The Doulos class meets in the choir room. There is a copy of the book in our library; please see Lori or Allison if you have any questions.

Bryan Moyer Suderman Weekend

* Each church is needed to provide **1 -2 hosts** to help with refreshments, clean up, coffee break and lunch. If you would like to help in any of these areas, please sign up on the sheet located on the table by the library and someone will be in touch with you.

* There will be **an offering** taken at the concert on Friday evening. Any money raised above expenses will go to San Juan Mennonite School.

* Each church's **Jr. MYF** is asked to provide **helpers for childcare**. Kara Slabaugh will be coordinating care. If you are interested in helping, please sign up on the sheet located on the table by the library and someone will be in touch with you.

* **Attention Bakers:** Cookies and bars are needed October 26 - 28, for the Bryan Moyer Suderman weekend. If you are willing to provide cookies or bars, please sign your name on the 'Cookie Sign up sheet' located on the table by the library and I will get in touch with you on the details. Thank you! Lauralee

Bulletin announcements should be in the office by 9:30 am on Fridays. You may email your announcements to Crystal at: eucares@kctc.net or place them in the Office Manager mailbox.

October 22nd Bulletin insert

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THIS WEEK AT EAST UNION

Today, Sunday, October 22

- Today we will be presenting Bibles to our MYFers.
- Youth/Advocate lunch
- Women's Bible study 3 pm

Tuesday, October 24

- **Central Plains Bible Study Webinar:** You can still register for *Listen Closely: Facilitating good discussion*, a Bible study webinar provided by Central Plains on Tuesday at 7:30 pm. Fill out the RSVP form on the Bible Study Webinars page at www.centralplainsmc.org by noon Tuesday. We will be meeting in the church basement. Everyone is invited to participate even if you weren't at the first meeting.

Wednesday, October 25

- Choir practice 7 pm

Thursday, October 26 - Sunday, October 29

- **Bryan Moyer Suderman weekend** - Hosted by Wellman Mennonite Church, and sponsored by East Union and West Union Mennonite churches, plan now to attend a weekend of Reading the Bible with Jesus: An inspirational, four-session bible study on Matthew with Bryan Moyer Suderman.

Next Sunday, October 29

- Women's Bible study 3 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, November 1 - Congregational business meeting, 6:45 pm

Sunday, November 5 - MarriageCare Breakfast, 8 am

CENTRAL PLAINS and MENNONITE AGENCIES

MCC is responding to disasters taking place around the world. Even before the most recent natural disasters from hurricanes, earthquakes and floods, MCC was running extremely low on comforters and relief kits. Our goal is to ship 83,000 relief kits by March 2018 and we need 7,000 comforters by November. Visit mcc.org/mrc/kits for full kit information and from there click through to our Amazon Wish List for easier shopping and shipping. Just bring or ship kit items to MCC Central States 121 E. 30th St. North Newton, KS 67117. It's not too early to start thinking about holiday giving projects like a relief kit collection drive! Call MCC with questions at 316-283-2720.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fundraising dinner West Union MYF will be holding a fundraising dinner at noon *TODAY* for the Central Plains Villatoro Family Fund. This fund supports the Villatoro family during this time they are separated from their husband/father, Pastor Max. We invite you to join us for this meal.

All are invited to hear Dr. Nyle Kauffman's presentation on early medical practices in the local Amish and Mennonite community at 7:00 on October 23 at Kalona Mennonite Church. There will also be an opportunity to join the Iowa Mennonite Historical Society, renew your membership and to buy apple butter. Refreshments will be served.

Curtis Fry is coming to Kalona on Wednesday, October 25. You have two different opportunities to hear him: **9:30 a.m.** @ IMS (sponsored by IMS PTO) and **6:30 p.m.** @ the Middle School (sponsored by local business' Families, youth, and all of the community are welcome to come hear him share his testimony about how the choices we make everyday impact our lives path. The choices he made on his 21st birthday changed the direction of his life. Read more about Curtis at curtisfry.com Questions please email Cindy Bontrager at cindybon14@gmail.com

Fall Harvest Celebration Bring your family for hayrack rides, pumpkin bowling, face painting, photo booth and more! Costumes are welcome (nothing scary or graphic). We will be serving free hot dogs, chips and drinks. October 31, 5:30-7:30 pm; Lower Deer Creek Church, 1408 540th St SW, Kalona. We will also be doing a service project - assembling bags of candy for the Ronald McDonald house. Bring a bag of candy and join in!

Get your feather or foam pillows cleaned, sanitized, deodorized & NEW TICKING on Tuesday, November 7, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p. m. At Kalona Mennonite Church, 902 6th St. Sponsored by the Kalona Mennonite WMSC

Serve MCC locally. Crowded Closet Thrift Shop is seeking a full-time **Processing Assistant Manager**. Applicant will lead workroom process and support volunteers. Must be able to lift and carry 30-50 pounds regularly. Qualified candidates should have strong organizational and interpersonal skills. *For more information or a detailed job description contact Crowded Closet at 319-337-5924 or email the Executive Director at crowdedcloset.gm@gmail.com.*

Crooked Creek Christian Camp

- * November 11 is WOOD CUTTING DAY starting at 8am until finished. Lunch provided, please RSVP by calling the camp office.
- * November 14 is ANNUAL MEETING with dinner served at 6:15pm. All are invited to celebrate camp ministry.
- * November 17-18 is CRAFT RETREAT from 3pm to 3pm. Details available at crookedcreekcamp.org

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 Chapel on Thursday, October 26 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.

* You are invited to the **Pleasantview Home Benefit Sale November 3 and 4 at IMS.** **Friday:** Turkey tenderloin meal (by donation) served 4:00 - 7:30 pm. Silent auction 4:00 - 6:30 pm, followed by live auction. Bake Sale 5:00 pm and Concession Stand with pie and ice cream throughout. Myrtle Ave Duo and Great Bluegrass Herons 5:15 - 6:35 pm. **Saturday:** All you can eat pancakes & sausage breakfast (by donation) served 7:00 - 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.pvhomebenefit.org>. More info: 656-2421.

* **Bakers needed** for bake sale for Pleasantview Benefit! White bread, wheat bread, cinnamon rolls, pies, cookies, party mix, packaged to sell. 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.

* **Volunteers are needed** for the Pleasantview Benefit Sale Friday, Nov. 3, for the evening meal. There are 2 shifts and a variety of ways to serve. Please contact Becky Yoder by phone, text (319-936-0777) or by email at dbyoder@netins.net.

Iowa Mennonite School

* **Thanks** to all who was on campus last weekend for Homecoming & Alumni Family Weekend. Our generous and supportive community of alumni and friends are what make us great. **#weareims**

* **IMS will present the fall musical, *Anne of Green Gables***, directed by Alisa Kandel and Michael Swartzendruber. Performances are Nov 4 at 7:00PM and Nov 5 at 3:00PM. Call the office 319-656-2073 now to reserve your tickets. Adults \$9 and Students \$5.

* **Students in grades 6-8 and their families** are invited to join us November 5th following the musical performance for a backstage tour and meet-the-cast event. Refreshments will be served. Come and see this important part of our school. Be sure to reserve your free tickets to the performance by calling the office 319-656-2073.

* **FFA members are selling fruit** from now through November 13. Delivery will be the 1st week of December. Contact the office 319-656-2073 or an FFA member to purchase.

* **IMS student athletes** are selling pre-cut cookie dough and cheesecake to support the Athletic Department. This fundraiser goes through Oct and delivery of the items is in time for the holidays on Nov 7.

* **Visit Days** are coming up November 15 and November 27. 8th grade and transfer students are invited to IMS for the day to shadow a current student. Parents are also invited to have coffee with school administration team members at the beginning of the day. Details and registration can be found at: <http://www.iowamennonite.org/visit/>