

KALONA MENNONITE CHURCH

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Elders – Cal Hochstedler, Dawn Schrock, Jenelle Bender, Frank Yoder

Office Hours Tuesday-Friday, 8-12 AM

We have invaluable resources that the Lord has blessed us with in Pastors Scott and Josh. They are both open and willing to meet with anyone from the congregation at any time. Call them or the church office to make an appointment.

Our Vision is to be a life-giving church: Presenting the life-giving message of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior to the people of the Kalona area and the world, challenging them to accept Christ, worship Him, and serve Him.

Our Mission is to fulfill the Great Commission: Leading people to Christ; discipling them in the faith; equipping them to witness; and sending them out to serve.

Find us on the web at kalonamennonitechurch.com

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Congregational Worship

Pre-service Music – Carla Slaubaugh

Worship Leaders – Scott Swartzendruber, Leanne Bender & Worship Team

Call to Worship

Congregational Song

Announcements

Offering/Offertory – Liam Schrock

Congregational Singing – Worship Team

Children ages 3-3rd grade may be dismissed for Children's Church

Hearing God's Word

“Receive Grace, Give Grace”

James 4:6

by Josh Lundberg

Song of Response

Congregational Sharing

Closing Prayer & Song

Welcome visitors! As leadership we want you to know that every Monday we have a special prayer time for the concerns of the church. Please let us know if you have things you want us to pray for. Also, if you have questions about receiving Christ as Savior, becoming a member, being baptized, rededicating your life to Christ, or baby dedication, please feel free to contact our ministers.

Fellowship Time in Foyer – Visitors and others who do not regularly attend a class are welcome to stay for the informal Open Circle Class that meets in the open area of the Fellowship Hall.

Adult Sunday School – Classes are listed on the back of the bulletin.

Professional Counseling Available. Please contact the church office or the ministers for more information.

Attendance

January 1st 150

Offering

January 1st General \$4,772.50; College Aid \$25.00

Online Giving is available at kalonamennonitechurch.com.

If you have any questions regarding online giving contact Janice or Ed.

NEWS FROM THE CONGREGATION

Congratulations and best wishes to Drew & Keri Hochstetler on the birth of a baby girl, Emry Ann, on Wednesday, January 4th.

New Addresses:

- **Edna Brennehan**, 706 C Ave., Apt. A3, Kalona
- **Jake & Angie Lamb & family**, 1982 Yoder Ave. SW, Kalona

Wednesday Night Bible Studies: It's not too late to join the Wednesday night small groups during the month of January. There is a meal from 5:30 to 6:45. Small groups begin at 6:30 and 7:00 PM.

WMSC Mission and Cash Project is Haiti Newborn Kits which is also an all-church project. There are flyers on the foyer table for the newborn kits.

Mick Murray's father, Vaughn Murray, passed away this week. His wife Betty's address is 1083 Apple Blossom Lane, Greenfield, IN 46140.

Community Blood Drive taking place Monday, January 9 from 2:30 – 7:30 pm at Kalona Mennonite Church in the Fellowship Hall. To donate contact Ed Yoder at 319-656-2283 or visit www.bloodcenterimpact.org.

Crooked Creek Christian Camp

- *Make a Splash with Coins for Camp* throughout the month of January with funds going towards pool upgrades. The first \$1,500 is being matched \$1 for \$1.
- THIS weekend is WinterFest January 13-15. Please sign up as soon as possible. Call the camp office with any questions.

Help us celebrate 40 years of Marlin Miller's service to the community as your family pharmacist at Miller's Medicine Cabinet. There will be an open house at Kalona Mennonite Church on Sunday afternoon, January 8, from 2:00 – 4:00 PM. Customers, patients, friends and family are all welcome.
~The Miller Family

Plan to come to West Union Mennonite for the **MYF Potato Bar** Sunday, January 15. The funds raised support our youth as they participate in the Mennonite Church USA Convention, to be held July 4-8, 2017 in Orlando, Florida.

J-POG (Just Peace Outreach Group) invites you to hear Sandra Stevens describe her work as an advocate for human rights in Iraqi-Kurdistan. Sandra has returned from over a year in Kurdistan including the time when ISIS captured Mosul. Join us on Sunday evening, January 15, 2017 at East Union Mennonite Church, 5615 Gable Avenue, Kalona, IA at 6:00 p.m. for a finger-foods potluck and conversation (please bring your own table service) or at 7 pm for Sandra's presentation and discussion. For more information call Roger Farmer at 319-653-2547 or email Jane Yoder-Short at wilmajane17@gmail.com.

Iowa Mennonite School:

- **THANK YOU** As we begin 2017, IMS would like to thank you for your continued support. It costs over \$10,500 to educate a child, something that tuition alone does not cover. It is the faithful giving of our community that allows us to continue serving our students. We are thankful to those that choose to include IMS in their giving plans, your generosity is truly appreciated. And we look forward to having many more partner with us as we make the future of IMS bright.
- **Basketball Scrimmage - January 10** 4th-6th grade girls can participate in basketball scrimmages during halftimes of our girls and boys varsity games. The girls halftime usually starts around 6:30PM. Please contact the school office with any questions.
- **Visit Day - January 16** 8th grade and transfer students are invited to visit IMS for the day. You will get the chance to shadow a student, attend chapel, eat lunch and meet faculty and staff. This day will have a different format than the fall visit day so please come join us again and bring some friends. Parents are invited for a short time in the morning to have coffee with our administrative team and get your questions answered. For more information and to register to attend go to: www.iowamennonite.org/visit.

With a new year comes new opportunities to volunteer at **Ten Thousand Villages in Iowa City**. With the store now being a successful permanent store, volunteers are needed to help assist customers every day. Contact Cassidy at iowacity@tenthousandvillages.com or [319-519-2104](tel:319-519-2104) if you can help occasionally or on a regular basis. Your volunteer spirit provides a livelihood for artisans in 38 countries. Take a shopping trip to the Village store at 105 S Dubuque St, Iowa City.

THIS WEEK

Today

6-9:00 PM	MYF at Larry's
7-8:00 PM	Bible Study

Monday

7:00 PM	Church Council
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Wednesday

9-10:00 AM	Women's Prayer Group
5:30-6:45 PM	Meal
6:30 or 7:00	Small Group Options starting

Thursday

9-11:00 AM	MOPS
7:00 PM	Worship Team Practice

Friday

6-7:00 AM	Men's Bible Study
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Friday-Sunday

Jr. High Winterfest at CCCC

LOOKING AHEAD

January 29

Noon Potluck followed by Annual Financial Business Meeting