

KALONA MENNONITE CHURCH

656-2736

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Elders – Dawn Schrock, Jenelle Bender, Frank Yoder, Kent Lehman
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 – Michael, Cara, Taryn, Justin & Shannon Leichty
Worship Leaders – Leon Schrock, Worship Team &
Heather Herschberger

Call to Worship

Congregational Song

Announcements

Offering/Offertory – Emma Beachy

Worship in Song – Worship Team

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

Hearing God's Word

“Choosing To Be a Faithful Disciple”

Matthew 2:1-6 by Scott Swartzendruber

Song of Response

Congregational Sharing

Closing Prayer & Song

Attendance

January 28th 199

Offering

January 28th General \$5,933.00

Online Giving is available at kalonamennonitechurch.com.

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

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

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

NEWS FROM THE CONGREGATION

Art Bachmann was a patient at Mercy Hospital this week. He returned to Pleasantview Home on Friday. Please keep him in your prayers.

Super Bowl Party tonight at KMC, 6:30 PM. Bring snackable food to share.

WMSC All Church Work Day & Evening: Wednesday, February 7th. Come anytime in the afternoon and/or evening. Meal will be at 6:00 PM. Soup will be provided. Bring relishes and cookies. There are approximately 12 college students to fill boxes for. Bring items for college boxes. Cash project will be postage for the boxes.

A Gift Discernment form has been placed in your mailbox. Members and nonmembers are encouraged to participate in this process. Please return the form to the box on the foyer table by February 18th. There are extra copies on the foyer table. ~Gift Discernment Committee

Meals for Quinten & Dolores Miller: During Dolores' outpatient medical treatment we as a church family want to help provide meals. If you are able to and would like to take a meal to Quinten & Dolores, please contact the church office.

Service & Outreach Opportunity: There are 3-4 persons from KMC joining the Central Plains work team and heading to Ecuador on Feb 23rd. If anyone is interested in contributing to the workers expenses they can make checks out to KMC and designate to Service and Outreach (Ecuador project). **See the bulletin announcement from Central Plains regarding this trip.**

Updating the KMC picture directory: If you have had a change in your family unit we would like for you to update your page and if you are **new** to KMC we would like for you to fill out a form and return to Janice. You can fill out the form via our website. Go to our website, My KMC and click on photo directory and then fill out the form. New pictures can be emailed to Janice at kmcjanice@kctc.net. If you would like us to take a picture for you, let Janice know (656-2736 Tuesday-Friday mornings). There are also forms on the foyer table.

Skating party! Please join the Girls' Venture Club for an afternoon of roller skating at the Wellman Skating Rink on February 24 from 1-3 P.M. Cost is \$1 per skater. You're welcome to come and watch for free.

Apply for 2018-19 Everence college scholarships. If your family uses Everence faith-based financial services, you are eligible to apply for college scholarships for the 2018-2019 school year. Submit your application by Feb. 28, 2018. Learn more at everence.com/scholarships or see Fred Yoder for a copy of the application.

Plan on supporting the international relief, development and peacebuilding work of Mennonite Central Committee and mark your calendars to attend the **2018 Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale, June 1 and 2** at the Johnson County Fairgrounds. If you would like more information on the sale, have items to donate, or would like to volunteer to help, please call Jim Yoder at [319-430-3761](tel:319-430-3761) or Rebecca Beachy Miller at (319) 631-2461.

You can nurture your children's faith at home this Lent and Easter with family worship. Find a free, downloadable guide at www.anabaptistfaithformation.org. For use between March 1 and April 16 (Easter Sunday), it includes a daily Bible reading, short litany, songs, hands-on activities and questions to ponder together.

Registration is now open for the academic conference "Mennonites and the Holocaust," to be held on the Bethel College campus **March 16-17**, with speakers and scholars from Canada, Germany, the Netherlands, Ukraine and the United States. See mla.bethelks.edu/MennosandHolocaust for more information or to register online.

More workers are needed to join the Central Plains work team heading to Ecuador February 23 - March 5, 2018! This is a great opportunity to escape the cold here in the upper Mid-West and travel to a warmer climate to work with our brothers and sisters in Quito to help with the renovation of their recently acquired building. Couples and individuals are welcome to come work on light construction, painting and other renovation tasks, all while developing friendships with the folks in Ecuador who are eager to host this group. If there are not enough members to form a work team, this trip will not happen. If you are interested in participating, or helping with the costs of this work, contact Doyle Roth as soon as possible at doyleroth@hotmail.com or by phone at [402-641-0266](tel:402-641-0266).

Kalona MOPS Fundraiser Meal: Join us for a delicious lunch featuring smoked pork loin, party potatoes, strawberry lettuce salad, green beans, fluff, and better than anything cake. Sunday, February 25th at KMC, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm. Free will offering. Carry Out available. All proceeds support Kalona MOPS.

Iowa Mennonite School:

- **IMS Cafe** | This years Culinary Arts Class restaurant dates are **February 7 & 21 and March 7**. The restaurant opens at 8:30AM each day and the menu will include various entrees, sides, and desserts. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the school office 319-656-2073. Cost per person is \$8.
- **Chili Supper** | The annual Chili Supper hosted by the IMS senior class is on **Saturday, February 10** serving from 4:30PM-7:00PM in Hillcrest Union. This year will take a trip back in time to 1960, the year the Chili Supper was started by (then cook) Elta Burkholder. We have her handwritten, original chili and cheese sandwich recipes that we will base our menu off of. And for those of you that remember watching the Audubon Society films after you ate, we will have a modern spin on those as well. And as we celebrate the history and tradition of the Chili Supper (our current cook) Maria Boucher may be starting a new tradition. Along with all the traditional Chili Supper menu items, we will also be serving the Mexican soup, Pozole [po'sole] with all the fixings. Join us at IMS for something old and something new!
- **Touring Choir** | The IMS Touring Choir will kickoff its local tour on **Sunday morning, February 11** at East Union Mennonite Church. Here is a link to the Facebook event page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/811255009067936/>. The public is welcome at all events.
- **Singing Valentines** | The IMS Chamber Choir will be delivering singing valentines in the local area on **Wednesday, February 14**. For a donation of \$35 for individuals and \$60 for groups, the 6-voice acappella ensemble will make a surprise visit to homes or place of business, offering valentines greetings. The singers will perform two pieces or more and include a box of chocolates for that special someone(s). To schedule a Singing Valentine call the office at 319-656-2073.
- **Visit Day** | 8th grade and transfer students are invited to visit IMS for a day on **February 19**. This visit will have a different format than the fall visit days so feel free to come again. Parents are invited to a Q&A at the start of the day with the administrative team. Students are invited from 8:10AM-3:15PM to tour facilities, visit classes with a host student, eat lunch, meet faculty, other future students, and hear from a panel of current students. Register to attend at www.iowamennonite.org/visit.

Women of Central Plains: You are invited to "Sister Care: Equipping Women for Healing Ministries" at the Leadership Center in Aurora, Nebraska, on March 3-4, 2018. Sister Care seminars provide women with tools for ongoing personal healing, for recognizing and celebrating God's grace in their lives, and for responding more confidently to the needs of others. Sister Care is a ministry of Mennonite Women USA and will be led by Rhoda Keener, former director of Mennonite Women USA, and Carolyn Heggen, psychotherapist. For more information or to register online, visit: FMCLincoln.org/WomensRetreatSisterCare or contact First Mennonite Lincoln Church member Carol Knieriem at carolknieriem@hotmail.com or [402-366-6598](tel:402-366-6598).

Everence® to hold seminar on commodity giving: Everence will present an informative seminar on the topic of farm commodity giving on Monday, Feb. 12 (10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.). The presentation will explain how the gifting of commodities can provide support for church and charities while also reducing taxes. The recent tax reform may make commodity giving even more advantageous for farmers. The information will be presented by Lyle Miller, Everence Stewardship Consultant, and will be held at Kalona Public Library, 510 C Ave. To reserve your spot, contact Joyce Gingerich at (319) 656-4242, (877) 656-4242 or joyce.gingerich@everence.com

The Annual Super Bowl Sunday Potato Bar fundraiser meal supporting IMS at UDC is today. Come from 11:30-1:00 for baked potatoes with all the toppings, salad, and dessert. All are welcome! Be sure to invite your family and friends-it's a yummy lunch before the big game!!

Looking for that next great adventure? MCC SALT positions now available! Take chances. Make mistakes. Get messy. Be challenged. Learn some things. Teach some things. Spend a year living somewhere that you never dreamed you'd go... Serving and Learning Together (SALT) is a year-long, cross-cultural service experience. Through SALT, Christian young adults from Canada and the U.S. serve internationally in a [wide variety of positions](#) in fields like education, agriculture, health care, information technology, peace and more! Start now at salt.mcc.org, to find answers to frequently asked questions, assignment options and to apply, don't delay the deadline to sign up is Feb. 15!

THIS WEEK

Today

9:00 AM Intentional Prayer Time
6:30 PM Super Bowl Party

Tuesday

9-11:00 AM MOMSnext

Wednesday

8:30 AM Men's Prayer Meeting
WMSC All Church Work Day & Evening (see announcement)
6:00 PM Supper

Thursday

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

Friday

6-7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

LOOKING AHEAD

February 24th 1-3:00 PM Girls Venture Club sponsored Roller Skating Party

March 18th Guest-Host Night (more information will be coming soon)