

KALONA MENNONITE CHURCH

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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 9:30 AM

Pre-service Music – Joyce Ropp

Worship Leaders – Ed V. Miller

Welcome – Josh Lundberg

Congregational Song

Announcements

Offering/Offertory

IMS Touring Choir and Chamber Singers

Closing Prayer – Josh Lundberg

Coffee and Fellowship

Sunday School 10:45-11:30 AM

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

Children and Youth Sunday School Classes meet in the basement.

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

Attendance	
May 6th	197
Offering	
May 6th	General \$11,525.13; Missions \$50.00; Alms \$50.00
If you have any questions regarding online giving contact Janice or Ed.	

NEWS FROM THE CONGREGATION

My Count Coins: The next 2 Sundays we will be picking up coins to help with the MCC Sale project. Be sure to bring your coins and the children will be picking up the coins during the service.

Mustard Seed: Articles for the Mustard Seed are due to Shirley on Friday, May 18th.

Senior Recital of Joya Schrock, will be held Friday night, May 18, at 7:00 pm in Celebration Hall at Iowa Mennonite School, featuring piano, violin, a little fiddling, and a few younger siblings. Please come support Joya in all her hard work. Doughnuts and hot chocolate to enjoy afterward.

MCC Sale Strawberry Stemmers signup sheet is on the table in the foyer.

Signup Sheets for VBS food are on the table in the foyer.

Missing from the library: the book Menno Simons by Piet Visser. Please check your shelves and return to the library if you have it.

Mid-Prairie Baccalaureate: The Council of Mid-Prairie Churches is sponsoring a Baccalaureate Service, hosted by and held at the West Chester United Methodist Church in West Chester, on Monday, May 21st at 7 PM. Special music by senior choir and band. Message by Pastor Mark Larson. Reception will follow the service.

MCC Sale: If you would like to donate towards the expenses of the MCC Sale, please send check to MCC Sale, P.O. Box 234, Kalona, IA 52247.

It's almost time for Kalona Mennonite VBS 2018! Get ready to get on the **Rolling River Rampage on June 4-8!** We are going to be partnering with East Union Mennonite Church to create an opportunity for the kids of our community to learn about God's love. You can sign up online: <https://tinyurl.com/yad8p73y> or on the poster in the fellowship hall. Please pray about ways you can help during this fun week!

CHOOSE JOY! And save money with early-bird registration until May 15 – T-shirt included! **Youth Escape 2018**, the much-loved biennial retreat for youth in grades 7-12, will be held July 20-22 at Hidden Acres Christian Center near Dayton, Iowa. Round up your youth group and their friends for this fantastic weekend focused on connecting with Jesus, other Central Plains youth and the church. Details are available on the Youth Escape page at www.centralplainsmc.org.

From Everence: A copy of a letter is available at the bottom of the Information Board of the Everence section. This informational letter is written by Lyle Miller, Stewardship Consultant. The letter is titled, "YOUR WILL". If you have any interest take a copy of that letter and if questions, ask me. ~Fred Yoder

Sweet! It's a night of music by the *Old Man Band* and the *Young Ramblers and Friends* at **The Home Place Retreat**, Hwy. 22 between Kalona and Wellman. It's also a night of tasty desserts as you enjoy the music. It's the annual *Sweet Night of Music*, on Saturday, June 9 (rain date June 10), at 7:00 pm. Tickets are available by calling Larry Swartzendruber at 656-2421, at \$30 each. Proceeds will benefit Pleasantview Home; the event is donated and hosted by Carey & Joani Miller.

Make Medicare an easy step. Gain confidence and clarity about moving to Medicare with guidance from Everence, a faith-based organization that partners with our church. Attend an upcoming webinar: Wednesday, May 23: 2 or 8 p.m. (EDT). Learn your key steps to getting Medicare, how to move from current coverage, plus enrollment details and deadlines. To register, visit everence.com/MedicareMadeEasy or contact Melissa Short at (800) 222-5054 ext. 3392 or melissa.short@everence.com.

Iowa Mennonite School:

- **Spring Music Concert** | Sunday May 20 at 3:00PM in Celebration Hall. This concert will feature Jazz Band, Chorale, Chamber Singers, and Touring Choir directed by Alisa Kandel.
- **Senior Art Show** | Rachael Hovde will have her Senior Art Show entitled '*The Forgotten Realm*' in the Celebration Hall lobby before and after the music concert on May 20. Rachael is the daughter of Bryn & Rebecca Hovde of Wellman. There will be a reception following the concert.
- **IMS Graduation Activities** | Baccalaureate on Saturday May 26 & Commencement on Sunday May 27 both are in Celebration Hall at 6:00PM.
- **The Annual IMS Golf Tournament** | Saturday June 16 at the Kalona Golf Club. Register to play or be a sponsor at iowamennonite.org/golftournament or contact Jeremy Ours at 319-656-2073 x13 or jours@iowamennonite.org.

Your Medicare questions answered: Everence will present an informative Medicare seminar on Monday, May 14 (10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.). Attendees will learn about the various Medicare plans and what they cover, plans that supplement Medicare and enrollment details. Important Social Security information also will be included. The seminar 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

How Then Shall We Live? A week-long immersion in the wild to bring out the deep wisdom, fierce joy and sacred strength of men. Come wade into the wilds of New Mexico! Highlights include homemade meals in an adobe hacienda, visiting Taos Pueblo, plunging into the waters and canyons of the Rio Grande Gorge, wilderness solos, songs and campfires, morning meditations and biblical analysis in wild places—all designed to open radically new possibilities for men seeking a wilder way of fierce love for God, humanity and our precious earth. Guided by Todd Wynward for adventurous men 18+ in Taos, New Mexico, September 8-15, 2018. For registration information on this Mennonite Men experience, visit www.mennonitemen.org. There is a flyer on the bulletin board with more information.

MCC is looking for new canner operators! This two year service term is unique and offers the opportunity to travel around the U.S. and Canada, working as a team while meeting new people! Check out mcc.org/canning for details, or contact heidihuber@mcc.org. See the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

Summer Lunches Help Needed: You are invited to help with our area summer lunches! **Great news this year:** the Wellman lunch will be expanding to the Wellman Skating Rink and will have crafts, literacy, and other fun stuff like the Kalona Summer Lunch. For Kalona Lunch information, contact Amy at 656-3916 or foodforallmp@gmail.com, or sign up at www.goo.gl/dLeYAs. For information on Wellman Summer Lunch, contact Erin at 646-3358 or wellmansummerlunch@gmail.com, or sign up at www.goo.gl/94ZLMH.

Crooked Creek Christian Camp

Thank you to the many people who attended Crooked Creek Wild 2018! It was a muddy awesome time and we look forward to next year: May 4, 2019!

Summer Camp Announcements:

- Register for summer camp and bring a friend.
- Want to see what happens at summer camp? Come volunteer in the kitchen. Sign up online at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4FAFA62EA7FB6-2018>
- Seeking camp nurses. For more information email tim@crookedcreekcamp.org
- Pray for the campers that come to camp, the counselors and many staff who will lead them and that the Holy Spirit will touch all who come.

The **Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale, June 1 and 2 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds**, will be here before you know it! Below are ways you can be involved and highlights not to miss!

- It's not too late to sign up for the **5K Relief Sale Trail Run!** Beginning at the Johnson County Fairgrounds and continuing through neighboring Ryerson Woods, a 5K Trail Run will be just the thing to get you ready for the all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast! A 1-mile walk for all ages will also take place at the fairgrounds. The Run/Walk begins at 8am on Saturday, June 2. Cost is \$30/person, Register for both the run and walk at GetMeRegistered.com, search for "Relief Sale Trail Run".
- **Homemade baked goods** are a real treat! Check with your church representative on how you can help in making pies, rolls or other baked goods to be sold at the sale.
- There is still time to sign up for the **Tractorcade**. The tractorcade leaves Fairview Mennonite Church at 1:30pm on Friday, June 1 to head to the fairgrounds. Your church representative has the sign up form. Contact LaVern Shetler at 319-530-0032 for questions.
- **Volunteers** are still needed. Visit www.iamccreliefsale.org/volunteering.html to sign up and be a part of this great time.
- Did you know there will be **live music** playing throughout the weekend? Check the website for the bands and their playing times! www.iamccreliefsale.org

This is merely the tip of the iceberg! Make sure to come out to the Johnson County Fairgrounds June 1 and 2 to celebrate and donate towards the work of Mennonite Central Committee.

THIS WEEK

Today

9:30 AM IMS Choir in morning service

Thursday

7:00 PM Worship Team Practice

Friday

6-7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Mustard Seed articles are due

LOOKING AHEAD

May 21	7:00 PM	Mid-Prairie Baccalaureate
May 26	6:00 PM	IMS Baccalaureate
May 27	1:30 PM	Mid-Prairie Commencement
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June 1-2		Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale
June 3		No Sunday School-VBS Prep
June 4-8		Vacation Bible School
June 10		Ordination Service for Josh Lundberg in morning service
	4:00 PM	No Sunday School VBS Program