

Dubuque Area Congregations United Monthly Newsletter

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We, the members of DACU, people of diverse faiths and beliefs, are united by our belief in God, our concerns for justice and our call to serve others. Through prayerful dependence on God and respectful cooperation with each other, we will make a difference in our world by fostering an awareness and understanding of human need. We will be a supportive presence in this community and beyond through the generous sharing of our time, talents, and resources. Mission Statement adopted 10/22/1996.

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| DATE | SPONSOR | EVENT | | | |
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| Here are just a few of the events sponsored by our DACU congregations and associates. Look inside to learn more! | | | | | |
| December 14 | Coalition for NonViolence | Movie "Newtown" shown at Mindframe Theater 6:30 PM (page 6) | | | |
| December 17 | Sinsinawa Mound | Tri State Choral Society "Magnify" 3:00 PM (see more page 4) | | | |
| December 18 | St. Luke United Methodist | Christmas Music and 8:30 and 10:45 Services (see more page 3!) | | | |
| December 18 | St. John Lutheran | Iowa Interfaith Power & Light Dubuque Chapter Meeting 3:00-4:30 PM | | | |
| January 1 | Hillcrest Family Services | Last Night for Reflections in the Park, Murphy Park (Daily through Dec) | | | |
| January 7 | St. Raphael/St. Patrick | Immigration Simulation 9 AM Cathedral Center (see more page 3) | | | |
| January 24 | DACU | Annual Meeting & Dinner, Westminster Presbyterian Church 6 PM | | | |



DACU Annual Meeting & Dinner

Tuesday, January 24
Westminster Presbyterian Church
2155 University Ave.
5:45 PM Social Gathering with music,
6:15 P.M. Invocation & Buffet Dinner
Dinner Cost: \$10.00

(Meal catered by Kalmes; Desserts provided and dinner hosted by Westminster!)

Please send reservations (including list of names attending) and checks payable to DACU, and mail to DACU, P.O. Box 811, Dubuque, IA 52004-0811 or call Bob Krayer at 582-5117 (answering machine available) or bdkrayer@aol.com.

Please place your reservations by January 17, 2016. In an effort not to penalize the host congregation for "no show" reservations, it is requested that all reservations be paid in advance.

If you need to cancel a reservation, please call Bob Krayer at 582-5117.

Upcoming DACU Delegates Meetings

No DACU Delegates Meeting in December

DACU Annual Meeting January 24 Westminster Presbyterian Church

Agenda: Interfaith Meditation, Introductions of Officers and Delegates, Business Meeting, Election and Installation of 2017 Officers, Benediction

- · Learn what DACU is planning this year.
- Enjoy a delicious meal, seasoned as always with the fragrant spice of community and fellowship
 - Receive your personal copy of the DACU Annual Report!
- Welcome new DACU President Betty Kugi, OP and new DACU President Elect, TBA
 - Say THANK YOU to outgoing President Sue Hattel.

DON'T Forget!

You are also encouraged to bring non-perishable food and paper goods for the Dubuque Food Pantry.

DACU Board Report

As of November 30, eighteen congregations and one associate member contributed to the work of DACU for 2016. There were no contributions in November $\ \odot$. The DACU Board has sent reminders to those congregations who have not yet made a donation for 2016. Thank you for considering this!

| FY 2016 Monthly Balance Sheet Report 11/30/2016 | | | | | | | | |
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| | N | lovember | , | 2016 YEAR TO DATE | BUDGET 2016 | | | |
| Income | \$ | 00.00 | \$ | 5,922.22 | \$7000.00 | | | |
| Expenses | \$ | 214.88 | \$ | 4,969.86 | \$7000.00 | | | |
| Ending Balance as of 11/30/2016: \$5,549.04 | | | | | | | | |

Please help us to support our DACU projects!
Checks should be made payable to "Dubuque Area Congregations United" and sent to:

DACU Treasurer,
P.O. Box 811, Dubuque IA 52004

The DACU Board meets the first Wednesday of each month at 4:15 p.m. at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Board meetings are always open to the members of DACU.

DACU Projects

People In Need (P.I.N.).

Do you know of someone in need? Here is the P.I.N. assist number: (563) 581-7995

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Potential clients should not call; only social service agencies, churches/congregations and DACU organizations should refer potential clients. Application via phone only.

Thanks for your generous contributions to P.I.N. at the annual Interfaith Thanksgiving service! We received over \$2,100 in donations that will go directly to support people in need over the difficult winter months.

Please send donations to: Tom Stovall, PIN Treasurer, 3345 Tibey Court, Dubuque, IA 52002-2849



Dubuque Rescue Mission

News from Our DACU Mission Rep Maryann LoGuidice!

I'm so thankful to be able to be of use on the Mission Board. We are of different faiths and work beautifully together for the greater good of those in need here in Dubuque.

----The third transitional house is moving right along. The Mission Thanksgiving card has gone out and is already bringing lots of financial support.

----An extremely generous gift (\$15,000) from Women who Care will create a new bathroom, shower and laundry facility for homeless women who have no place to access personal hygiene.

----A mission Christmas tree at the Festival of Trees at the Roshek building - please consider making a bid on the tree.

----At the first of the month the men from the Mission have moved out and are currently living at the transitional home (third one) that has been recently completely.

----Scott and Julia Thiesen from Body and Soul spent an entire day with the whole staff to help us improve communication and team building skills. This has developed into a commitment to do this annually as a staff.

Peace to all, Maryann
. DACU Rescue Mission Representative
Maryann Caudill LoGuidice
608.642.1270

http://dbqrescue.org/ https://www.facebook.com/DBQRescue/



Dubuque Food Pantry

Seasons Greetings! It's an exciting time here at the Food Pantry as we are preparing to give 500 Christmas Baskets on December 13 & 14. Our community has such a giving spirit. It's a blessing to be a blessing now and throughout the year.

This past Saturday night the Canadian Pacific "Holiday Train" came to town. It's always a fun time to be outside and see their beautiful train. It's estimated that 8,000 people from our community showed up and gave 3,600 pounds of non-perishable goods and some monetary donations. Canadian Pacific presented a check for \$6,000 to the Pantry to help with this season's needs.

Merry Christmas!

Theresa Caldwell, Manager 583-4440

P.S. Like us on Facebook! ("Dubuque Food Pantry")

Drop off hours are: Mon., Wed., Fri. from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30p.m. and Tues. 9:00-11:45a.m.

DACU Community

Thanksgiving Thanks!

Sincere thanks to everyone who helped to make the 34th Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service so wonderful. Special thanks to Rev. Lindsay and Dr. Chris James for their inspiring words and to the Dubuque Chorale Childrens' Choir. Our gratitude also to Resurrection Catholic Church for hosting and to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church for printing the service bulletin. Finally, thanks to all who attended, participated, donated to People in Need or brought supplies for the Food Pantry.

> Betty Kugi, OP Chair, DACU Worship Committee



St. Luke's United Methodist

Christmas Music December 18 at St. Luke's

On Sunday December 18th a morning of Christmas music will be shared at each service at St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 1199 Main Street (alley entrance is accessible). The St. Luke's Singers and friends under the direction of Keith Rippe will perform the "The Christmas Story" by Tom Fettke and Thomas Grassi at 8:30 a.m. The cantata will be a classic celebration of carols and narration.

During the 10:45 a.m. service, The St. Luke's Chancel Choir and friends directed by Dr. Jeremy Mims will present "Sing We Now of Christmas" composed by Howard Helvey. The cantata of lessons and carols will feature area instrumentalists.

The choirs will be accompanied by Dr. Charles Barland. The community is invited to enjoy a morning of Christmas music. For more information you can contact Sue Hattel at shattel220@aol.com

Fabulous Fridays will return to St. Luke's United Methodist Church on January 13 - April 7, 2017 for the Helen Johnston Memorial Season. Performances begin at 12:05 pm lasting 30 minutes. Many in the audience bring their lunch and enjoy time together after the concert in Fellowship Hall.

The concert, coffee and desserts are free, but baskets are available for donations. Street parking is available and the alley entrance is accessible. St. Luke's is located at the corner of 12th and Main Street. Weekly performance schedule is found at www.stlukesumcdbq.com or in the Telegraph Herald.

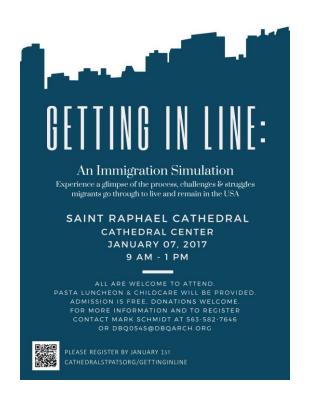
St. Raphael/**St.** Patrick

The parishes of Cathedral of St. Raphael and St. Patrick Church will be hosting an immigration simulation at the Cathedral On January 7th (Saturday) from 9am-12pm, with a free lunch to follow. Center, Participation is free of charge. The simulation will allow participants to get a glimpse of the process and some of the challenges faced by migrants to come to the USA and stay here. Participants will be given a biography of an immigrant along with the things required for them to immigrate to the USA, to bring a family member to the USA, or to remain in the USA. Every 15 minutes a bell rings and that signals that 4 years time has passed. The total time is 24 years. Participants can register at

cathedralstpats.org/gettinginline

Registration ends January 1st. We would like to get 60 participants to make the simulation work well. The earlier people register the better it is for us to prepare enough participant packets.

Attached is a poster you may hang up if you wish. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me, Mark Schmidt, dbq054s@dbqarch.org

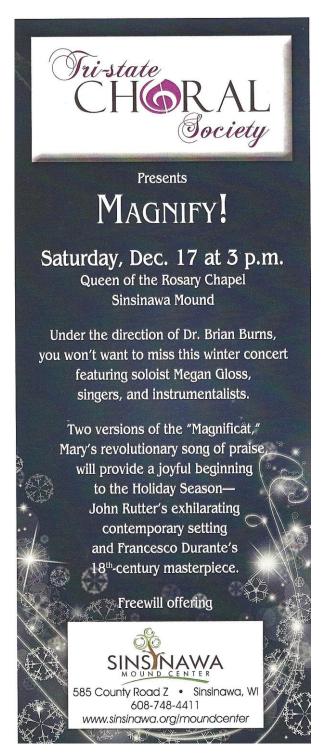


Multicultural Family Center

Visit our new website: www.mfcdbg.org 563-690-6042 (Office) Multicultural Family Center (MFC) The Ruby Sutton Building 1157 Central Ave. Dubuque, IA 52001

Sinsinawa Mound Center

Sinsinawa Mound will host Advent Taize Prayer Monday evenings from **Nov. 28**th **through Dec. 19**th **at 7 p.m**. The communal singing of this ecumenical worship, led by Mary Ellen Winston, OP will draw you into a deeper prayer experience during this holy season. Please join us.



For more information on events at Sinsinawa, call or visit the Mound: 585 County Road Z, Sinsinawa, WI 53824, (608) 748-4411. OR visit their website:

https://www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter/events_retreats.cfm

Downtown Dubuque Christian Outreach

"Ghost People: Seeing All the People"

A documentary film about the homeless living in Dubuque was produced by the DDCO (Downtown Dubuque Christian Outreach). This film was financed by local churches and organizations, generous individuals, and a City of Dubuque Arts and Culture Grant.

The purpose of this film is to raise awareness of the increasing challenges faced by our homeless neighbors and to generate ongoing community support for them.

If your congregation or organization would like a copy, please contact Bob Krayer at bdk<u>rayer@aol.com</u> or phone 563/582-5117 and leave a message.



Dubuque Ministerium

The Dubuque Ministerium is open to all religious leaders in Dubuque and the surrounding area. The Ministerium meets the second Tuesday of each month at 12:00 Noon. Lunches are provided with a requested donation of \$5. Here is the schedule:

2016 - 2017 Season:
December 13th - Summit Congregational U.C.C.
January 10th - KFXB
February 14th - St. Luke's U.M.C.
March 14th - St. Matthew's or Immanuel U.C.C.
April 4th - Hospice of Dubuque
May 9th - You? (E-mail Fr. Dustin if you'd like to host)

For more information contact Fr. Dustin Lyon, Ministerium President, at 563-583-5902 or dustin.lyon@gmail.com



Shalom Spirituality Center

Read about upcoming events in Shalom's own information-filled online newsletter!

http://www.shalomretreats.org/programs.html

For registration: phone 563-582-3592,e-mail info@shalomretreats.org, or visit www.shalomretreats.org

Franciscan Center for Hospitality, Prayer, & Spirituality 1001 Davis Dubuque, IA 52001



Opening Doors — Maria House & Teresa Shelter Volunteers Always Needed!

Maria House and Teresa Shelter are both in need of volunteers. For more information please contact Ann Lorenz

Development & Marketing Director
Opening Doors - Maria House & Teresa Shelter
Administrative Office
2100 Asbury Road, Suite 8
Dubuque, Iowa 52001
Phone: 563.582.7480

Fax: 563.582.7467
Web Site: www.openingdoorsdbq.org



Hope House

Dear Friends,

I am writing to ask you to consider volunteering for a Community meal at Hope House. As you may know, we serve Community Meals, to which all are invited, on Sunday and Monday evenings at 6:00p. About 25-35 people on average share in the meal.

We need groups to serve in the months of December and beyond. The following days are currently available:

- December 11 and 18
- January 11, 15, 22, 29, and 30.
- February 5, 12, 19, and 26.

Please consider preparing and serving one of those meals with a faith-sharing group or with friends. If you want to schedule a date or want more information, please email or phone me at 563-582-9079.

In addition, we are looking for people to do Hospitality Duty here at Hope House for 2-3 hours on a regular basis between 10:00a and 3:00p (a particular day of the week and time frame) or to be available on a call list to handle emergency situations. Hospitality means answering the phones, greeting visitors, making a pot of coffee or listening to someone who needs someone to talk to and assisting those who come for the food pantry. Maybe it will include assisting someone who asks to take a shower or wash their clothes.

Volunteers usually choose to serve for a few hours at a time, but even those who commit to an hour are helping in mighty ways and being blessed themselves.

Besides helping us, it would allow you to spend some time getting to know our guests and learning personally and firsthand about their situations and needs. Social issues, I have found, take on an entirely different dimension when it is about someone I know and for whom I personally care.

We will help you as you get to know our guests personally. We are not counselors, nor do we expect you to be, either, just someone who cares. We would be willing to help you understand your experiences within a faith perspective, if you would like.

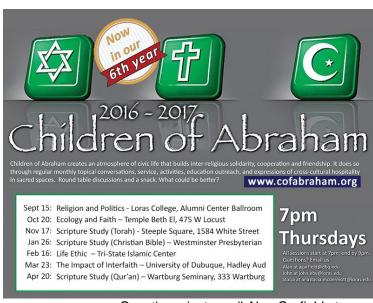
Thanks, and God bless!
Tom Johnson
Hope House
1592 Locust
Dubuque, IA 52001
(563) 582-9079

"We can either have democracy in this country or we can have great wealth concentrated in the hands of a few, but we cannot have both."

-- Justice Louis D. Brandeis

Children of Abraham

NO Meeting in December....Join us January 26!



Questions, just email Alan Garfield at agarfield@hotmail.com

Would you like your event, volunteer opportunity, or organization publicized in the DACU Newsletter?

Just email the editor at phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com
We'll do our best to include anything in harmony with DACU's mission.

Deadline: First Saturday of the month.

Dubuque Community

Iowa Interfaith Dower & Light



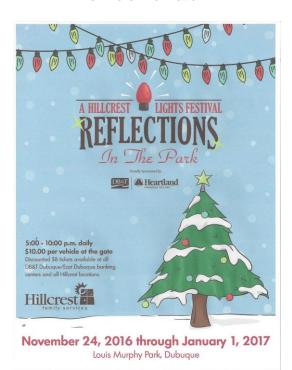
Dear Friends,

Due to heavy snow predicted for Sunday December 11, we have moved the date of our meeting to Sunday, December 18th at the same time and location. The Dubuque Chapter of Iowa IPL will meet December 18, 3pm - 4:30pm at St. John's Lutheran Church, 1276 White St., Dubuque, IA. Parking in the Prescott school parking lot. We'll be sharing stories and resources, and making plans for action. Click here to read the minutes from the last meeting.

Save the Date! The Green Team Training Day on February 19th from 1 - 4pm at the Sisters of the Presentation on Carter Road in Dubuque will be an exciting day to learn best practices, hear from successful "Green Teams" and make plans for your congregation's green team through hands-on activities! If you would like to be part of the planning group for this event, please come early at 1pm December 18.

Please invite any interested persons of faith to join you at the meeting, newcomers always welcome. https://www.facebook.com/iowaipl Visit our website to www.lowalPL.org Download our covenant congregations form here: http://iowaipl.org/donate/covenantcongregations Please contact Sarah Paulos at programs@iowaipl.org

for more information.



Crescent Community

Crescent Community Health Center

Deadline for Health Care Open Enrollment

Open enrollment for the Federal Marketplace will end on January 1, 2017. Crescent Community Health Center has certified application counselors to help navigate and enroll you into a plan best suited for you and your family. If you need coverage starting January 1, 2017 you need to enroll and choose a plan prior to December 15, 2016. Medicaid insurance applications are done year round and are based on income and household size.

Call today to schedule your appointment with Angela at (563) 552-8080 and see what your health insurance options are.

Dubuque Coalition for Non-Violence

COMMEMORATION OF SANDY HOOK VICTIMS -VIGIL AND MOVIE

The Dubuque Coalition for Non-Violence (CNV) will hold a vigil to remember the victims the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting in Newtown Connecticut on Monday December 12 from 4:00 to 5:00 PM at the corner of 6th and Locust Streets in Dubuque (across from the Federal Building-Post Office). All are invited. We ask participants to bring signs and a source of light, such as a candle or flashlight.

For more information, contact Tim Moothart, 563-581-7690.

Also, the movie Newtown (2016) will be shown at the Mindframe Theatre on December 14 from 6:30 to 9:30 PM. The movie is new look at how the community of Newtown, Connecticut came together in the aftermath of the largest mass shooting of schoolchildren in American history. Among other positive reviews the Daily Variety wrote "(Newtown) elegantly and devastatingly captures the tenor of a small town that will carry the scars for at least a generation "

There is no cover charge, however donations to the Coalition will be accepted.

The Coalition for Nonviolence (CNV) acts to address the crisis of weapons of violence in order to create a more peaceful and nonviolent community.



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