



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.

www.DACUonline.org/

EVENTS

DATE	SPONSOR	EVENT
Here are just a few of the events sponsored by our DACU congregations and associates. Look inside to learn more!		
February 9	Clarke University	Faces of Islam, Clarke University Alumni Hall, 7:00 PM
February 13	St. Mark Youth Enrichment	St. Mark Annual Ice Golf Classic
February 18	Children of Abraham	Tri-State Islamic Center, 7:00 PM
February 20	Loras College	RiverCrossing Storytelling & Interfaith Leadership Conference
February 23	DACU	DACU Delegates' Meeting, Hadley Chapel, Hillcrest Campus, 7pm
February 28	Area Churches (see inside)	Food Faith Climate: Connecting the Dots Mt. Loretto, 2-3:30 PM
March 4	Church Women United	World Day of Prayer: Cuba 9:30 am Sisters of the Presentation
March 22	DACU	DACU Delegates' Meeting, St. Peter Lutheran, 7 pm
April 15	Temple Beth El	Visitors' Night 6:30 PM, Temple Beth El



DACU Delegates' Meeting

Tuesday, February 23

Hadley Chapel

Hillcrest Family Services

2005 Asbury Road

7:00 PM

Program: Homelessness in Dubuque

Film: Ghost People

Discussion/Call to Action

Homeless Awareness & Action Group: Jade Angelica

Homeless Coordinator/Project Concern: Radene King

Homeless Outreach Coordinator/Hillcrest: Katie Brondyke

Executive Director/Almost Home at St. John's: Gwen Kirchhof

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

Upcoming DACU Delegates Meetings

Join Us! Bring A Friend!

All locations are Accessible

March 22: St. Peter Lutheran Church

3200 Asbury Road, 7:00 PM

Program: Affordable/Equitable Housing

April 26: First Congregational UCC

255 W. 10th St., 7:00 PM

Program: How to be a Green Community

May 24: St. Luke's United Methodist Church

1199 Main St., 7:00 PM

Spring Worship Service: Understanding Mental Illness

June and July: No Delegates' Meetings

August 23: Dubuque Arboretum Porch

3800 Arboretum Drive, 6:00 PM

Delegate Potluck Picnic & Social

September 27: Nativity Church

1225 Alta Vista St., 7:00 PM

Opportunities of Hope

October 25: First Baptist Church

2143 Judson Dr., 7:00 PM

DACU Projects

DACU Board Report

As of January 31, NO congregations or associate members had contributed to the work of DACU for 2016. Thank you to everyone who contributed for 2015....another year and DACU needs your support!

FY 2016 Monthly Balance Sheet Report 01/31/2016			
	January	2016 YEAR TO DATE	BUDGET 2016
Income	\$ 122.47	\$ 122.47	\$7000.00
Expenses	\$ 284.80	\$ 284.80	\$7000.00
Ending Balance as of 01/31/2016: \$4,434.35			

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

Please leave a message since this is only a recorded line.
Potential clients should not call; only social service agencies, churches/congregations and DACU organizations should refer potential clients. Application via phone only.

Tom says: Many thanks to the all who have donated. At the Annual Meeting we recognized the Sisters of St. Francis for their caring gifts to P.I.N. this past year. Already in January we have made 12 assists. The winter is cold. Please continue to help us to help our neighbors!

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



Dubuque Rescue Mission.

Visit our website to learn the latest news on all of our projects, to learn how you can help, to read our wish list, and to see our new video about the mission.

Also, visit our website <http://dbqrescue.org> to sign up for our newsletter!

DACU Rescue Mission Representative
Maryann Caudill LoGuidice
608.642.1270



Dubuque Food Pantry

Thank you to all who continue to support the Food Pantry with monetary donations and food collections. The Boy/Girl Scouts are planning ahead to the March 19th City Wide Scouting for Food. We hope you will be able to support this big event. The Scouts usually bring in between 15,000-20,000 lbs. of food and non-food items in just that one day!

Is your church/congregation wanting to know what we could use? Each month I will be listing a few items that we could use so you can plan ahead and get the list in your church bulletin/announcements.

February -- "Souper Bowl" Sunday is Feb. 7th. Please encourage your church/congregation to make it a special weekend collecting soup and crackers.

March -- Tuna, mac & cheese, apple sauce, salt, toothpaste, deodorant, facial tissues.

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

God bless you and thank you for your continued support.
**Sister Lynn Wagner, Manager
583-4440**

DACU Community

Comments from our DACU President

Human Trafficking

January is proclaimed annually as Human Trafficking Awareness Month with efforts to keep human trafficking on the public radar but the momentum of awareness needs to continue beyond January each year.

On February 7, 2016, the Super Bowl took place at Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara, California. Like any big sporting event, a game like this intensifies the space, where human trafficking can occur. Thousands traveled to the San Francisco Bay Area to take part in the Super Bowl festivities. Among the travelers were those arriving by force, fraud, or coercion—they were not there of their own free will—but as victims of human trafficking. Did you know that the Super Bowl ranks second only to Thanksgiving as the day on which Americans consume the most food, and some of those who are trafficked served food in restaurants or at catered parties related to the Super Bowl.

Others cleaned hotel rooms, washed dishes, delivered dry cleaning or washed window. Some were trafficked as workers for escort services or in 'gentleman's' clubs.

Nationally, United Methodist Women planned a line of defense against human trafficking the week prior to and on Super Bowl Sunday at Santa Clara inviting its members and others to participate in "Opening Umbrellas Together." Volunteers holding open umbrellas made a virtual line of defense around Levi Stadium and nearby neighbors. The line of defense was to prevent and protect those who may be victimized and intercept human traffickers on the streets related to Super Bowl events.

Although not traveling to Santa Clara, St. Luke's United Methodist Church of Dubuque displayed umbrellas calling the congregation to prayerful support for: ALL who are working to prevent and end human trafficking, for ALL who are protecting the victims, and ALL who are working to prosecute the traffickers. The last six years, United Methodist Women nationally have promoted campaigns to "intercept" human trafficking.

Submitted from www.unitedmethodistwomen.org

Set Free Dubuque (setfreedubuque.org) is an active organization committed to: educating our community, advocating for survivors, and fighting modern day slavery in our community.

Sue Hattel, 2016 DACU President
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Clarke University

Faces of **جہانگیر** in Dubuque:
Stories and Conversation

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH
7:00 PM

CLARKE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI LECTURE HALL (ALH), CATHERINE BYRNE HALL

*Muslim panelists from various parts
of the world will share their stories.
Discussion will follow.*



This event is free, and open to Clarke University and the public.

Sponsored by the Clarke University Multicultural Issues Committee

Church Women United

WORLD Day of Prayer 2016 --CUBA

Friday, March 4th at Sisters of the Presentation
2360 Carter Road

Enter door facing lake
(Accessible entrance under canopy facing Carter Road)

9:30 am Gathering/coffee

10:00 am Program & Worship

Program Keynote: Brian Cooper (Telegraph Herald)
"Reflections and Photos - DISCOVER CUBA"

Worship Service: "Receive Children, Receive Me" was written by the World Day of Prayer Committee of Cuba, advocating for equality and justice for women and children of Cuba and globally.

All are invited!

This event is hosted by Church Women United.
Snow date is Monday, March 7 (same details).
Questions: 563-556-1394.



Shalom Spirituality Center

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

Phone: 563/582-3592

Web: www.shalomretreats.org

Email: info@shalomretreats.org

Read about upcoming events in Shalom's own
information-filled online newsletter!
<http://www.shalomretreats.org/programs.html>

DACU Congregations

Food-Faith-Climate

Co-Sponsored by 1st Congregational UCC; St. Luke's United Methodist; Church of the Resurrection, and Sisters of the Presentation



CONNECTING THE DOTS

Climate change is related to our food choices. When we sit down to dinner, we may not think about global warming, but one third of the world's greenhouse gas emissions are connected to our food system. At every meal, we can make a real difference that ensures a more climate-friendly food system. And luckily, the ethical choices are also pleasurable ones that improve the health of the planet and our bodies!

Food • Faith • Climate: Connecting the Dots, a program of Iowa Interfaith Power & Light, invites us to be part of the solution. We look at:

- how our food system contributes to climate change
- what our faith traditions say about sustainable food systems
- how we can make more climate-friendly choices
- food practices in our own households

The workshop includes:

- pocket guides for sustainable eating
- tips and resources for making more climate-friendly choices
- a climate-friendly snack



Iowa Interfaith Power & Light • 505 5th Avenue, Suite 333, Des Moines, Iowa 50309 • 515-689-1112 • www.iowalpl.org

When: Sunday, February 28, 2016
2pm – 3:30 pm

Where: Mount Loretto, Sisters of the Presentation, 2360 Carter Rd, Dubuque, IA

How: Registration required at iowalpl.org/act/register-events
Fee is waived thanks to the generosity of the Sisters of the Presentation.

Co-sponsored by: 1st Congregational UCC, St. Luke's United Methodist, Church of the Resurrection, Dubuque

For more information contact programs@iowalpl.org



St. Mark Youth Enrichment

www.stmarkyouthenrichment.org

Conditions Ideal for the St Mark Annual Ice Golf Classic (SATURDAY FEB. 13)

The cold weather and snow ARE good for something. St. Mark Youth Enrichment will again be hosting the Annual Ice Golf Classic. Thanks to the cooperating winter weather, the event, scheduled for **Saturday, February 13th** at Mid-Town Marina in East Dubuque, Illinois is set to go.

There will be a shotgun start at 10 a.m. with team check in beginning at 8 a.m. Sign up your foursome for a fun and competitive 18 holes of ice golf on our website (www.stmarkyouthenrichment.org or <https://www.crowdrise.com/StMarksIceGolfFundraiser>). Not the best ice golfer? Don't worry, there will be awards for best sled and best dressed team and an overall themed costume and sled combo. Each team will consist of four golfers, and this year, there are just a few open spots left! The teams will golf an 18 hole course constructed from snow, ice and old Christmas trees. In addition to the event, St Mark will be holding a 50/50 and raffle drawing. Prizes include a Flexsteel recliner, tickets to Major League baseball games and much more. Even those who are

not interested in golfing are welcome to join in the event as there will be tons of food and fun throughout the day.

Interested individuals hoping to obtain one of the remaining open spots can visit St. Mark Youth Enrichment's website:

www.stmarkyouthenrichment.org or by visiting <https://www.crowdrise.com/StMarksIceGolfFundraiser>. For questions please contact Beth McGorry, Outreach Coordinator at (563) 582-6211 Ext. 102 or bmcgorry@stmarkyouthenrichment.org. All proceeds from the event will go to benefit children and family programs at St. Mark Youth Enrichment.

Beth McGorry
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1201 Locust Street
Dubuque, IA 52001
(563) 582-6211 ext. 102

bmcgorry@stmarkyouthenrichment.org

St. Luke United Methodist Church

Twenty Five Years of Fabulous Friday Concerts

St. Luke's United Methodist Church
1199 Main St, Dubuque, IA

12:05-12:35 p.m. FREE Concerts (Donations Welcome)

JANUARY 2016

Jan. 8 St. Luke's Varietals (clarinets, tenor, piano, trumpet)
(Sue Hattel, Julie Gross, Craig Allen, Jeremy Mims, and Otto Krueger)
Jan. 15 Dr. Sang-In Han (tenor) & Dr. Luke Tyler (piano)
Jan. 22 Jill Klinebriel (voice/piano) & Mike Link & Kristen Eby
Jan. 29 Jill Heitzman (soprano) & Dr. Thomas Dickey (organ)

FEBRUARY 2016

Feb. 5 Rebecca Christian (author) & Kate Thompson (soprano)
Presenting *Love (Not Just That Kind)*
Feb. 12 Clarke Collegiate Chorus & Strings/Dr. Jeremy Mims
Conducting Bach's *Christ Lag In Todes Banden*
Feb. 19 University of Dubuque Chamber Singers—Kristen Eby, Conductor
University of Dubuque Flute Ensemble—Prof. Robin Gravert
Feb. 26 St. Luke's Varietals (violin, soprano, cello)
(Ann Duchow, Andrea Beacham, Dave Patterson)

MARCH 2016

Mar. 4 Dubuque Fiddlers—Ann Duchow, Conductor
Forty Flying Fingers (Helen Johnston, Heather Williams,
Dr. Jeremy Mims, Dr. Charles Barland)
Mar. 11 Senior High School Jazz Combo—Bill Rowley, Conductor
Mar. 18 Upper Main Street Jazz—Ric Jones, Director



Fabulous Fridays return to St. Luke's United Methodist Church on January 8, for the 25th season. This popular series was started in 1992 with only musicians from St. Luke's performing, but grew to include locally and nationally recognized artists. Over 70 different artists have performed.

St. Luke's UMC is located at the corner of 12th and Main in Dubuque, and performances begin at 12:05 p.m. lasting 30 minutes. Many in the audience bring their lunch and enjoy time together after the concert in the church Fellowship Hall where coffee and desserts are waiting. The concert, coffee and desserts are free, but baskets are available for contributions. Street parking is available. SNOW DAYS? Our policy is that if the artist can get there, the show is on!


Sinsinawa Mound Center

For 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

Children of Abraham

Dubuque's Children of Abraham creates an atmosphere in civic life that builds inter-religious solidarity, cooperation, and friendship. It does so through regular monthly topical conversations, service activities, educational outreach, the creative use of sacred space, and expressions of cross-cultural hospitality.

Meetings are always Thursdays. We start at 7pm and end at 8:30pm. Everyone is welcome and there is never a charge.



2015 - 2016
Children of Abraham

Sept 17: Angels, Demons and Jinn
Loras College, Alumni Center.

Oct 15: Scripture Study (Muslim) Qur'an
Wartburg Seminary.

Nov 19: The Purpose of Life
Temple Beth El.

Jan 28: Scripture Study (Jewish) Torah
Clarke University.

Feb 18: Coming of Age
Tri-State Islamic Center.

Mar 10: Scripture Study (Christian)
University of Dubuque, Hadley Aud.

Apr 21: Faces of our Faiths
St. Luke's United Methodist Church.

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

IF YOU MISSED IT....The DACU Annual Meeting and Dinner was wonderful! Go to the DACU website (www.DACUonline.org) to see great photos from Tom Stovall, and contact Bob Krayner (bdkrayner@aol.com) if you need a copy of the Annual Report

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. **February 9th** - Tom Bond hosts at KFVB/CTN (744 Main St.)

March 8th - Rev. Okitakoyi Lundula hosts at St. Luke's (1199 Main St)

April 12th - Rev. Dianne Grace hosts at Hospice of Dubuque (1670 JFK Road)

May 10th - Rev. Fr. Dustin Lyon hosts at St. Elias (1075 Rockdale Rd.)

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

Loras College

**River Crossing Storytelling
& Interfaith Leadership Conference**
Saturday February 20, 8:30 AM to 6:30 PM
Alumni Campus Center
More Info: [bitly/lorasinterfaith](https://bitly.com/lorasinterfaith) or
Anastacia McDermott (588.7056)

Find your voice
in interfaith storytelling
and grow interfaith
activity in your schools
and communities.

RIVERCROSSING

Storytelling & Interfaith Leadership Conference

An opportunity for college students, faculty and staff to learn about people from various faith and non-faith backgrounds.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20
ALUMNI CAMPUS CENTER
8:30 AM-6:30 PM

- WORKSHOPS
- NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES
- SERVICE PROJECTS
- PANEL DISCUSSION

REGISTRATION FEE:
\$15
(includes a light breakfast, lunch and dinner)

Transformative Interfaith Dialogue
Led by community members, religious leaders, area students.

MORE INFORMATION

Anastacia McDermott
(563) 588-7056 or
[bit.ly/lorasinterfaith](https://bitly.com/lorasinterfaith)





Temple Beth El

The **Annual Temple Beth El Visitors' Service** will be **Friday, April 15**. There will be an informational lecture by Rabbi Anne Persin at 6:30 PM followed by Sabbath Worship at 7:30 PM. Refreshments and a social hour will follow. **Everyone is warmly invited.**

(If you plan to bring a group please let us know in advance so we can bake enough cookies!)

(Contact Cindy Pearce, 563.583.1254 or

Phyllis Garfield, 563.599.4898)

Location: 475 West Locust St.

(With our apologies, Temple Beth El has no off-street parking. Please consider ride-sharing!)

Dubuque Community

Dubuque Transgender

Social Game Night

Every second Thursday of each month we will be getting together at The Smokestack (62 E. 7th st) from 6 - 8 pm for a fun night of board, card, and any games you might like to bring with you.

This is a FREE event to meet new people and diverse members of our community. Teens and adults only (no children please). Food and beverages are available to purchase through our sponsor Smokestack.

Hope to see everyone there Feb 11th for information contact Dubtrans@live.com

Dubuque Transgender
563-599-6735
dubtrans@live.com



Greater Dubuque Development Corporation

Free Classes for Newcomers

Do you have individuals or families in your congregation who are new to the community? Encourage them to take a fun, informational and free class for newcomers, called Distinctively Dubuque. Hosted by Greater Dubuque Development Corporation and Northeast Iowa Community College, this class provides a wide variety of information about the area (history, recreation, arts and culture, volunteer opportunities, and more) as well as delicious local food and fun activities. Classes are designed for adults to

learn about and enjoy their new home and meet other newcomers.

For more information and to register, contact Jan Powers at Greater Dubuque Development Corporation at 563-557-9049 or janp@greaterdubuque.org

Visit the web site for more information:
www.greaterdubuque.org/relocate/distinctively-dubuque.

Resources Unite



All 100,000 people of Flint, Michigan have been poisoned by toxic water. They need a lot of help right now. Let's work together and provide them with some of the support they need.



Now-Feb.28
Cases of water and hygiene supplies can be dropped at the RU Volunteer Center or can be picked up.



Flint, Michigan
We will be traveling to deliver donations and supplies the weekend of March 5th.



Questions?
Contact Josh at Resources Unite at 563.581.2850 or send an email to: josh@resourcesunite.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.



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Remember...you can view all DACU Newsletters on our Website at www.DACUonline.org

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