



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
More events listed inside...be sure to check the rest of the newsletter for more info!		
Every Day	ALL OF US	#Black Lives Matter, Speak out against systemic racism in America.
Wednesdays June, July, August	Sinsinawa Mound Center	Summer Concert Organ Series 7 pm (more p. 3)
July 17	Holy Trinity Lutheran	Food Distribution 9-11 am (more p. 3)
August 24	DACU	Annual Delegates' Picnic, Dubuque Arboretum (see below)
August 28	Westminster Presbyterian	Hunger Outreach 9 am (more p.4)



NEXT DACU Delegates' Meeting

Tuesday August 24
5:00 PM at the Packard Pavilion
Dubuque Arboretum

YES!!! At last we are able to gather in person. You will need to bring your own picnic dinner and your own seating, BUT we will be together. The Pavilion is the covered area near the parking spaces, so if there is a bit of "Iowa" weather, we will stay dry.

Program: Update/Intro to the coming year with President Dr. Jean Holdener

As always, guests are welcome! Come early or stay later to enjoy the gardens. Bring your family as well! Donations for the Food Pantry are always welcome.

DACU 2021 Delegates Meetings

June and July, traditionally no Delegate meetings.

Tuesday, August 24, 5:00 PM

Annual Delegate Picnic at the Arboretum, outside in the Packard Pavilion. Bring your own seating and picnic dinner. It will be so good to be together in person.

Tuesday, September 28, 7:00 PM

Dr. Brian Halstoos, History Professor at the University of Dubuque, will share information about the story of Nathaniel Morgan, an early resident of Dubuque who helped to found St. Luke's Methodist Church and was the victim of a lynching. A local group is working to build a memorial that will also help to educate about racism in our community. Location TBA.

Tuesday, October 26, 7:00 PM

Update on our three DACU projects, the Rescue Mission, People In Need, and the Food Pantry. Location TBA

Wednesday, November 24, 7:00 PM

DACU's 39th Annual Interfaith Thanksgiving Service
Resurrection Catholic Church
4300 Asbury Road

(No December Delegate Meeting)

Tuesday, January 25, 6:00 PM

DACU Annual Meeting & Dinner
Westminster Presbyterian Church

DACU Board Report

As of June 30, ten congregations and one associate member have contributed to DACU for 2021. No additional congregations contributed to DACU's projects in June 😞.

(DACU Bylaws: "Dubuque Area Congregations United will be supported financially by the voluntary contributions of its member congregations and institution, keeping in mind the purposes and needs of the organization").

FY 2021 Monthly Balance Sheet Report 06/30/2021			
	June	2021 Year to Date	Budget 2021
Income	\$ -0-	\$ 4,519.15	\$8,100.00
Expenses	\$ 988.50	\$ 2,413.90	\$7,550.00
Ending Balance as of 06/30/2021: \$5,636.65			

NOTE: expenses reported this month include monies donated to CROP through DACU. 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**

NOTE: We are meeting by conference call right now, but still meeting! If you need to add to the Board agenda or would like to "attend" contact President Jean Holdener at JHoldene@dbq.edu.

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. Remember, P.I.N. operates through referrals from social service agencies, churches/congregations and DACU organizations only. Potential clients cannot call directly.

The People In Need (PIN) Board of Directors express sincere gratitude to everyone who has donated recently. **We are expecting requests to rise as moratoriums on evictions are lifted and other support systems are relaxed.** Be assured we will be good stewards of all that you share with us!

—Tom Stovall, P.I.N. President 2021

Please send donations to: PIN, Westminster Presbyterian Church, 2155 University Ave., Dubuque, IA 52001



Dubuque Rescue Mission

We continue to provide a "to-go" meal at our breakfast, lunch and dinner operations. The two Thrift Stores continue to provide free clothing to those in need and other household items to those with low to no incomes. We are always in need of good, lightly used furniture and household items. Please encourage your congregations to shop at either of our Mission Thrift Stores for some wonderful deals. Our garden and green house is in full swing. The produce is being used in our free meal ministry now.

Our new "Kindness Café" food truck is up and running. You can learn more about it on our Facebook page!

Once again, we appreciate your prayers, volunteer support and financial support.

Peace,
Rick Mihm
Director

<https://www.facebook.com/DBQRescue/>

Dubuque Food Pantry

Greetings!

Here at the Dubuque Food Pantry, we are excited to share some updates.

Installation of a dumbwaiter to carry items from the basement to the main floor continues! This will greatly help our volunteers, as canned food can be very heavy.

While we are not providing lunches for kids this summer (there are others supplying this), we are working with area senior centers to deliver food to seniors who can't come to the Pantry. This effort is growing and is being very well received.

Please remember the Pantry as you begin harvesting your summer veg and fruit crops! We will be happy to distribute them!

Theresa M. Caldwell, Manager
Dubuque Food Pantry
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563.583.4440

P.S. Like us on Facebook! ("Dubuque Food Pantry")
Drop off hours are: Mon., Wed., Fri. from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. and Tues. 8:00 am to Noon

DACU Community



The DACU Board notes with sorrow the passing of our friend and colleague Maryann LoGuidice on Friday July 2. Maryann's life embodied the spirit of our DACU Mission "to make a difference in our world...." as she served in leadership positions in numerous Dubuque organizations, including serving twice as DACU President and chairing the CROP Hunger walk for many years. She was always a cheerleader for others doing good work and was often first to welcome new clergy to the community. Her memory is a blessing and we can honor her by continuing to "make a difference".

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Hunger Outreach

Partnering with St. Stephen's Food Bank - Providing food at no charge

Saturday, July 17th

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

1755 Delhi Street

Outdoor Pantry



Indoor Pantry



Distribution from 9 am to 11 am (while supplies last)
NO Registration Required

**PLEASE STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE
WE WILL BRING THE FOOD TO YOU**

OTHER UPCOMING DISTRIBUTIONS

Jun 26th St. Joseph's Catholic Dubuque
Jul 10th Calvary Lutheran Sabula, Iowa
Jul 22nd Calvary Lutheran Sabula, Iowa

Sinsinawa Mound Center

**Sinsinawa Mound Center Welcomes Guests for
Summer Organ Concerts**

Sinsinawa Mound Center will open Queen of the Rosary Chapel for guests to attend our summer organ concert series on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. June through August. Temperature checks and mask wearing are required. Sinsinawa Mound remains closed to the public for an indefinite period of time for meetings and tours. Many retreats, workshops, and

prayer services have been either moved to a virtual venue or are being held on site for small groups in a designated area of the building with social distancing and mask requirements in place as we continue to adhere to the guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to help prevent the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) in the United States. We hold our world in prayer as we work to slow the COVID-19 pandemic and appreciate your cooperation.

Check our website for all upcoming events at Sinsinawa! www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter/events

Native American Book Series (online):

Registration is required. [Click here for registration details.](#) [Click here](#) for more books in our 2021 series

Dwellings: A Spiritual History of the Living World

(Tuesday, August 10, 7:00-8:15 pm)

[Click here for registration details](#)

Linda Hogan (Chickasaw) exquisitely examines both natural and internal landscapes in this profound book of non-fiction essays. Whether she is writing about bats, bees, porcupines, or wolves, contemplating the mysteries of caves, or delving into the traditions, beliefs, and myths of Native American cultures, she expresses a deep reverence for the dwelling we all share—the Earth. *"Hogan brings her feeling for language and story to these quietly beautiful and provocative musings on the nature of nature"* (Booklist).



More About Our Summer Organ Concert Series:

This summer marks our 30th Anniversary since the beginning of the Summer Organ Concert Series. You won't want to miss the talented lineup of artists joining in our celebration featuring organists from Wisconsin, Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota, Missouri, and Kansas. ***Sinsinawa Mound Center is opening the Summer Organ Concert series to the public!*** All other programs and offerings remain virtual. Concert guests will follow COVID-19 protocol, including wearing a mask, practicing social distancing and using hand sanitizer, and attendance will be limited to 125 people. Guests will have limited access to the main foyer and Queen of the Rosary Chapel. These concerts will also be offered via livestream. The concerts are available at www.sinsinawa.org/live at the concert time or later in an archived format by tapping or clicking on "on demand."

If you would like to make a monetary donation to support our Summer Organ Concert Series, here is a link to our

donation page where you can select "Organ Concert Series" for your donation.

<https://www.sinsinawa.org/forms/p/donation/>

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

<https://www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter/events/>

Westminster Presbyterian Church

Westminster Hunger Outreach

Partnering with St. Stephen's Branch of River Bend Foodbank

OFFERING FOOD AT NO CHARGE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28, 2021

Westminster Presbyterian Church

2155 University Ave. at Loras Blvd.



**Drive-through food distribution begins
9:00 am & continues until food is gone.**

Qualification registration is required

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Children of Abraham

Children of Abraham is planning for the 2021-22 programming year! Our first meeting will be September 23 at Temple Beth El (475 W. Locust). We are looking forward to celebrating the Jewish holiday of Sukkot, with a short service in the Sukkah at 6:30 pm followed by a discussion in the Temple sanctuary at 7:00 pm. (The topic is "Hope".) Unlike past years we won't be able to share a meal together but we are excited to gather in person again! A complete list of upcoming programs will be available in the August newsletter. Check our website at <http://www.cofabraham.org/> OR find us on Facebook! <https://www.facebook.com/cofabraham/>

For more information contact John Eby
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Presentation Lantern Center



We are OPEN and Seeking Volunteer Tutors!

After more than a year, the Presentation Lantern Center is again open for English and citizenship classes, matching adult immigrant students with one-on-one volunteer tutors! We're thrilled to be able to see our friends and neighbors in person again.

We are taking precautions to maintain the health and safety of our students, volunteers and staff. We are also continuing to work to meet the unique needs of this moment and fulfill our mission of hospitality, advocacy and education to immigrants.



Our hours are 10 am-3 pm Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and 1-7 pm Tuesdays and Thursdays. Our address is 900 Jackson St., Ste. LL5-1, Dubuque IA 52001. Email: info@TheLanternCenter.org

If you or someone you know would like to volunteer or could benefit from our services, call (563) 557-7134 or apply at www.TheLanternCenter.org.

Please consider becoming a face-to-face tutor at the Lantern Center. Many students and tutors have indicated they prefer to continue teaching and learning online; however, the number students interested in face-to-face learning is growing! No English tutoring experience or second language necessary – just a friendly face and an open heart. Contact us for more information!

For lots more great information, check out our website:

www.TheLanternCenter.org

Church Women United

Church Women United Human Rights Day September 10, 2021

Dubuque Area Church Women United will host in-person Human Rights Celebration on Friday, September 10th on the Dubuque Arboretum porch in the Visitors' Center at 3800 Arboretum Drive.

Informal social gathering will begin at 9:30 am and the program "Agree to Differ- United to Serve" at 10:00 am.

All interested are invited to attend. More information will be forthcoming in August.

Questions: Sue Hattel 563-556-1394

Tabs Reminder: Collections of tabs such as from beverages, cat food cans and various aluminum sources are still needed! Collections will provide hygiene items for human trafficking survivors in the 3 Safe Houses located in Ames, Sioux City and Des Moines areas. Contact Sue for pick-up of your tabs. Thank you!

Sue Hattel, CWU
Shattel220@aol.com

Shalom Spirituality Center



FAITH WRITERS: Monthly Writer's Group

Third Tuesday of every month: July 20, 6:30 – 8 p.m.
Online Program Via Zoom

Facilitator: Mary Potter Kenyon

Monthly writer's group allows time to share up to two pages of writing with an opportunity for feedback and critique from other members.

Contact Mary Potter Kenyon at
mkenyon@shalomretreats.org for more information.

FRANCIS AND CLARE OF ASSISI: A SPIRITUALITY OF POVERTY AND JOY

Shalom July 2021 Retreat

Shalom Spirituality Center
1001 Davis St. Dubuque, IA 52001

Friday, July 9, 5:30 p.m. – Sunday, July 11, 11:30 a.m.

Facilitator: Dr. Susan Pitchford

How can we live the contemplative life in the midst of busy lives? Finding a way to balance prayer and action is a challenge. Susan will present how the Franciscan way of life can be balanced and integrated in anyone's way of life.

Dr. Susan Pitchford is a sociologist at the University of Washington in Seattle and a professed member of the Third Order, Society of St. Francis for people who wish to follow the Franciscan way within families and occupations. She's authored several books: *The Sacred Gaze: Contemplation and the Healing of the Self*, *God in the Dark: Suffering and Desire in the Spiritual Life* and *Following Francis: The Franciscan Way for Everyone*. She is a frequent retreat speaker and loves nothing more than exploring with others how to go deeper in the life of faith.

Costs for the retreat:

Overnight accommodations and meals – \$230

Commuter and meals – \$150

Registration and a \$50 nonrefundable deposit due by July 2

Register by June 10 for a \$10 discount

Visit our website to check out more upcoming programs!

Shalom Spirituality Center

1001 Davis Street, Dubuque, IA 52001

Phone: 563-582-3592

Web: www.ShalomRetreats.org

Email: info@shalomretreats.org

Westminster Presbyterian Church



Green Team Tip – Go Green in 2021!

You can probably do much more than you think you can. There are many simple and easy things we all can do for our planet. **WPC will be offering a few Green Tips each month!**

7/4 Green Team Tip – Practice Green Shopping

Make your next shopping trip green. Patronize second hand stores where you can find all kinds of products to reuse or repurpose. Also, patronize fair trade stores where you can buy ethically sourced products.

7/11 Green Team Tip – Keep Your City Clean

Go outside and pick up trash. You can invite family, friends and neighbors to join you for a walk. Have fun, fellowship and increase the litter removed from our community.

7/18 Green Team Tip – Read a Green Book

Learn more about the challenges facing our ability to care for God's creation. Read books on the subject. A few recommendations: *Gardening Eden* by Michael Abbot; *Earth Democracy* by Vandana Shiva; *Women Healing The Earth* by Rosemary Radford Ruether.

7/25 Green Team Tip – Use Green Transportation

Make a plan as to how you can reduce your carbon footprint as you get from place to place. Can you walk or bike instead of driving? Can you use public transportation or join in carpooling? Can you group errands together to reduce the number of trips?

8/1 Green Team Tip – What is Your Water Footprint?

Calculate just what is your water footprint and how you can reduce your impact on the environment. What are some positive ways you can reduce your water use and change your water lifestyle to help the rest of the world?

Does your organization or congregation have items you would like to include in the DACU Newsletter? Just email the editor at phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com

We are happy to share any information that is in keeping with our DACU mission statement

Dubuque Community

Divine Word College




Divine Word College

GOOD NEIGHBOR SCHOLARSHIP



Two-year scholarship for high school graduates of any age in the greater Epworth area to earn an **Associate of Arts Degree** in Interdisciplinary Studies, Intercultural Studies, or Theology and Mission.



The scholarship **covers 100% of the cost** of tuition, books, college fees and daily lunch.



An eligible student is required to apply for federal financial aid, but **no loans are required** to pay for the cost of tuition, books and fees.



Fully accredited by the Higher Learning Commission, an AA Degree from Divine Word College can be used to transfer to other four-year colleges/universities after graduation.



This scholarship opportunity allows students to study in an intercultural environment and develop **skills used to collaborate in our global society.**

Scholarship Criteria

- US citizen or legal permanent resident
- Live within the following counties:
Iowa: Delaware, Dubuque, Clayton, Jackson or Jones
Illinois: Jo Daviess
Wisconsin: Grant
- High school graduate (or equivalent)
- 2.5 High School GPA
- 19 ACT Score or 1000 SAT Score
- Ability to commute daily for classes (housing not provided)

Continuing Scholarship

- Maintain a 2.5 GPA each semester
- Two hours community service each week at Divine Word College
- Students must comply with college policies and expectations as outlined in the Student Handbook

Contact:
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102 Jacoby Dr. SW Epworth, IA 52045
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year- round. For more information visit <http://dhs.iowa.gov/hawki>, call Hawki Member Services at 1-800-257-8563 or contact the local Outreach Coordinator at Visiting Nurse Association (VNA) at 563-556-6200 ext. 1933.

Dubuque Trees Forever

Hello Tree Enthusiasts

Now that we've done our spring plantings, it is time to focus on tree care. Here is another volunteer opportunity for you. We will be holding a "Mulching Party" on the Bee Branch on Saturday, July 17. I call it a party because the trees will celebrate having this new mulch to keep them cool, keep weeds down and keep them safe from mowers and weed whips. We will be working from Garfield to 24th St. There will be a pile of mulch delivered to each end of this section of the Bee Branch. We will need 3 groups of people:

1) The first group will arrive at 8am. It should be people with some gardening experience. We will train them to trim sucker shoots and pull any large weeds and get trees prepared for mulch. They will start at each end and meet in the middle to make sure we get them all.

2) The second group will arrive for training at 8:15. They will take wagons full of mulch and deliver a set amount to each tree. These volunteers will need to bring a scoop shovel (or other shovel) and/or a mulch rake. There are 8-10 wagons and we will work in small teams of 2-3 people. We will start some on each end and work to the middle.

3) The 3rd group will arrive for training at 8:30. This group will work in small teams of 2-3 to actually spread the mulch at each tree. We will train to make sure you only have 2-3" deep, don't touch the trunk and don't have "mulch volcanoes!"

To volunteer or for your group, sign up at the United Way site or email me at

dubuquetreesforever@yahoo.com
[Needs | United Way of Dubuque Area Tri-States](#)

Laura Roussell, President, Dubuque Trees Forever

Dubuque Visiting Nurse Association



Health Care for Kids!

Even when life is a little uncertain, kids still need to see their doctor for routine care. Routine well-child visits help pediatricians determine if kids are meeting important developmental milestones and give age-appropriate immunizations. Families should contact their health care provider and schedule an appointment to catch up on missed visits and vaccinations. Many uninsured children may be eligible for free or low-cost health insurance through Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program (Hawki). Eligibility is dependent on household size and income. A family of 4 earning up to \$80, 030/ year may qualify for Hawki. For children and teens, age 0-18, routine care including check-ups, vaccines, dental cleanings, and eye exams are covered. Enrollment in Medicaid and Hawki is open

REMEMBER: Membership in DACU is open to all who share DACU's mission. If you wish more information about how your congregation or organization can become involved, just contact DACU President Dr. Jean Holdener (jholdene@dbq.edu)

Presentation Lantern Center

WE ARE OPEN!

Welcome! We are so happy to see you! For your protection, masks required indoors for adults and kids over age 2.



¡bienvenido! ¡Estamos tan felices de verte!
máscaras son necesarias en interiores

900 Jackson Street, Suite LL5-1 (basement/en sótano)

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Thursday 1-7

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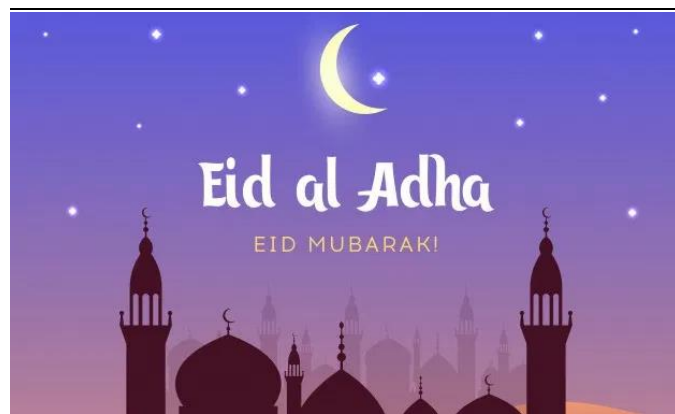
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Dubuque Arboretum



The Dubuque Arts Council joins the Arboretum to present a variety of musical events in the Packard Pavilion! Join us every Sunday evening at 6:30 pm throughout June, July, & August. A full schedule of the concerts can be found on our website:

<https://dubuquearboretum.net/special-events/music-in-the-gardens/>



Eid al Adha is the second of the two major festivals in the Islamic calendar, marking the conclusion of the Hajj pilgrimage and the story of Ibrahim and Isaac. This year the festival begins the evening of July 19 and goes through the evening of July 23. We wish Eid Mubarak to all our friends and neighbors who are celebrating!



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Help us spread DACU good news on Facebook!
Go to: www.facebook.com/Dubuqueareacongregationsunited
and "like" and "share"!

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