



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
Wow! So many events we couldn't put them all on the front page...look inside to find much more!		
May 11	Mt. Carmel BVM	The Summons: 10 th Anniversary of the Postville Raid (see more info inside on page 3)
May 15, 16	Tri State Islamic Center	Ramadan begins
May 17-19	Habitat for Humanity	Repurpose sale, former Food Coop Space (more on page 3)
May 22	DACU	DACU Delegates Spring Worship, 7:00 PM in Blades Hall, University of Dubuque
June 5	State of Iowa	Primary Election Day! Don't forget to vote!
June 6	Sinsinawa	First Summer Organ Concert, 7:00 PM (more on page 4)



DACU Delegates Meeting

Date: Tuesday, May 22, 2018

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: University of Dubuque (Blades Hall)
2000 University Ave.
(park in the McCormick Street lot)

Program: **DACU Spring Worship**

Speakers: Rev. Dr. Beth McCaw,
UD Theological Seminary

Nancy Knipper, OSF
Sister Water Project

Also, brief update on DACU projects

Remember, donations of non-perishable items for the Food Pantry are always welcome! So are newcomers and guests, why not bring a friend!

DACU 2018 Delegates Meetings

*Join Us! Bring A Friend!
All locations are Accessible*

May 22: *DACU Spring Worship*, 7:00 PM. University of Dubuque Blades Hall, 7:00 PM. Our speaker will be Rev. Dr. Beth McCaw, with updates from the three DACU Projects.

August 28: Arboretum, 6:00 PM, *Annual Picnic*

Sept. 25: Steeple Square, 7:00 PM.: *Housing, Opening Doors, Poverty*. Speaker: Kathy Flynn OP

October 23: Immanuel Congregational UCC, 7:00 PM.: *Welcoming the Other*. Speaker: Tom Johnson, Catholic Worker House. 1795 Jackson Street (Accessible & off-street parking)

November 21: DACU Interfaith Thanksgiving Service

December: No DACU Delegates Meeting in December

DACU Board Report

As of April 30, eleven congregations and one private donor contributed to DACU for 2018. Thanks to St. John Lutheran Church for their contribution in April! (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 2018 Monthly Balance Sheet Report 04/30/2018			
	April	2018 Year to Date	Budget 2018
Income	\$ 75.00	\$3,720.86	\$7325.00
Expenses	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 5,477.00	\$7325.00
Ending Balance as of 04/30/2018: \$1,378.97			

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 4:30 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. Remember, P.I.N. operates through referrals from social service agencies, churches/congregations and DACU organizations only. Potential clients cannot call directly.

PIN is grateful for all donations; right now most assists are for utilities. If your organization would like a speaker or brochures to share with your members, contact P.I.N. president Tom Stovall tomstov@aol.com

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



Dubuque Rescue Mission

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April 17, 2018

To the Faithful of the Tri-State area:

The Dubuque Rescue Mission would like to express our gratitude for your support and prayers over the years. It has been our practice for a long time, to accept goods left over from Church Rummage Sale events. We have come to a place where this is no longer possible for our volunteers who sort through and determine what items/clothing can be saved from what is to be thrown out. Each Spring and Summer we are overwhelmed with these items - many of which are of no use and requires to be displaced of them at an increasing cost in our waste budget.

Therefore, we are no longer able to accept donations from the Church Rummage Sale events. We're sorry for any inconvenience this may cause and ask for your understanding.

In Christ, The Staff of the Dubuque Rescue Mission Thrift Stores

DACU Rescue Mission Representative
Maryann Caudill LoGuidice

608.642.1270

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

Dubuque Food Pantry

Greetings and Welcome Spring!

It's been a long April and here we are in May. So nice to experience the better weather. We're getting ready to kick off the Summer "Lunches to Go" program here at the Food Pantry. Thursday, June 7 - Wednesday, August 22, 10:30 – Noon, Monday – Friday @ 1598 Jackson St.

Children up to age 18 are welcomed to come and pick out a "Lunch to Go". No need to sign up! Looking forward to seeing all your smiling faces.

Right now, we could use donations of potato mixes, tuna, and jelly!

Blessings!

Theresa Caldwell, Manager
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



It is time for our annual update of the **DACU Worship Brochure** which we distribute to local hotels and hospitals. We want to list your congregation, its address, phone contact, email or website, and worship and religious school schedule.

Please send updates to the DACU Worship Committee, attention Phyllis Garfield, phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com. To check how your congregation is currently listed, go to www.DACUonline.org and click on "Worship Brochure".

(Remember! Even if your congregation is not a member of DACU, we are still happy to list your services in our brochure. Just let us know!)

Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity will have a repurpose sale May 17 thru the 19 at the Former Food Coop Space.

Contact us for more information!
900 Jackson Street Suite LL5-2E- Dubuque, IA 52001
(563) 556-2195 – fax (563) 582-4904
habitat@habitatdubuque.org
Email volunteer contacts to:
volunteer@habitatdubuque.org
Also papschmidt11750@hotmail.com

Mt. Carmel BVM

Remember the 10th Anniversary of the Postville Raid

A decade ago, the largest single-site immigrant raid at the time in the history of the United States occurred in Postville. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) officials raided Agriprocessors, the main producer of kosher meat in the United States. They handcuffed immigrants and bused them to the National Cattle Congress in Waterloo, Iowa.

Most detainees were charged with identity theft and sentenced to five months in prison before being deported. In a matter of hours on that day, Postville lost a significant segment of its population and hundreds of families were torn apart. Sholom Rusbashkin, owner of

Agriprocessors, was convicted and served eight years of a 27-year sentence for bank fraud. His sentence was commuted in December 2017, by President Trump.

Little has changed since 2008. The interfaith planners of the commemoration see this as a "a call to demonstrate bold resolve by championing the rights of immigrants, respecting and defending their inherent dignity, and by welcoming them and their many contributions to our society."

Event planners are inviting individuals and groups across the country and the world to stand in solidarity with those gathering in Postville by joining in prayer and action. To receive resources, contact Fr. Nils Hernandez dbq134@dbqarch.org or Sr. Mary McCauley mmcauley@bvmcong.org

THE SUMMONS OF 2008
ENDED IN 389 ARRESTS, NUMEROUS
IMPRISONMENTS and MASS DEPORTATION.
THE SUMMONS OF 2018
MUST END IN A CHANGE OF HEART,
A CHANGE IN OUR IMMIGRATION LAWS.

10th Anniversary
POSTVILLE, IOWA
Immigration Raid

THE SUMMONS
MAY 11, 2018

May 12, 2018, marks
the 10th anniversary
of the Postville
Immigration Raid.

10:00 AM
Interfaith Prayer
St. Bridget Church | Postville, Iowa

11:30 AM
Walk to Meyer Park

12:00 PM
Respond to the Summons
Spanish Mass
Saturday, May 12 | 7 PM
St. Bridget Church

Contact:
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Postville, Iowa
dbq134@dbqarch.org
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This 10th anniversary
is a defining moment!

IT IS A SUMMONS!

NAACP

NAACP Has a Speakers' Bureau!

Did you know that the NAACP has speakers who can present to youth and adult audiences? The purpose is to promote an awareness of social concerns and the role of people of color nationally and internationally. If you would like to arrange a speaker, you can contact Tom LoGuidice, loguidice@fastmail.com or Mary Gitau, mwgtau17@gmail.com.

Sinsinawa Mound Center

JOAN CHITTISTER

HER STORY, MY STORY, OUR STORY

Mon., May 21, 6:30–8 p.m.

A story of identity and overcoming adversity and abuse, through justice, spirituality, and prayer.



A one-woman play about two women for all women ...and men

"The work is seamlessly, artfully and movingly welded together. It's a fresh and interesting approach to the notion of the universality of women today. It has heart and substance...great praise."
- Joan Chittister



Jan Bays
Playwright & Actress

Freewill offering accepted.



585 County Road Z
Sinsinawa, WI
www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter

Icon Retreat

Sun., June 10—
Fri., June 15

Ever dreamed of writing your own icon? Here's your opportunity to learn about the history and origin of icon painting. Drazen Dupor, an iconographer, will lead this retreat and demonstrate ancient techniques as you write your own icon.



- ✓ No art experience necessary.
- ✓ Bring your own brushes, all other materials provided.

Register today at www.sinsinawa.org/moundcenter



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2018

27TH ANNUAL SUMMER ORGAN CONCERT SERIES

Featuring organists from Austria, Iowa, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Prague, Texas, and Wisconsin

June 6 Mark Brampton Smith, WI
June 13* Michael Elsbend, IA
June 20 Jeff Verkuilen, WI
June 27 Jillian Gardner, TX
July 4 Thomas Fielding, MI
July 11 Catherine Rodland, MN
July 18 No concert
July 25 Wolfgang Reisinger, Austria
August 1* David Troiano, MI
August 8 Joan DeVee Dixon, MN, and
Alice Fiedlerova, Prague
August 15 Marijin Thoene, MI
August 22 Marie Rubis Bauer, NE
August 29 David Jonies, IL

Concerts begin at 7 p.m. Freewill offering accepted.

*Updated since release of original schedule



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June 22-24 Diarmuid O'Murchu will lead a workshop, **Faith and Incarnation**, based on his new book on the expansive understanding of Incarnation. He will also give a public lecture on Thursday June 21 at 7:00 pm titled "Gospel Inclusivity: An Idea whos Time has Come". This lecture is free and open to the public. For more information or to register for the workshop contact the Sinsinawa Mound Center.

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

Shalom Spirituality Center

Shalom Spirituality Center
1001 Davis Street
Dubuque, IA 52001

Open to everyone regardless of religious affiliation, belief system, or faith background!

Most of our retreats and programs require a specific offering and advanced registration in order to attend.

Phone: 563-582-3592

Web: www.ShalomRetreats.org

Email: info@shalomretreats.org

Children of Abraham

NOTE: Children of Abraham discussions are over for this year but the Board is meeting now to plan for next year's calendar! In the meantime consider joining the weekly Qur'an Conversations:

Qur'an Conversations – every Wednesday 5:30-6:30, Loras College Interfaith Prayer Space (Alumni Campus Center 580) – you do not have to prepare or know anything to come to this; you don't even need your own copy of the Qur'an, though if you have one you can certainly bring it.

www.cofabraham.org

For more information contact John Eby John.Eby@loras.edu or Alan Garfield AGarfield@dbq.edu

Hope House Catholic Worker

St. Isidore Catholic Worker Farm & Agronomic University is once again hosting our annual integrated workshop called "Growing Roots." This year's theme: **The Commons**. The workshop will include reading, discussion, delicious meals, manual labor, rest, singing, and prayer/meditation. The week will be facilitated by Bloomington, IN Catholic Workers Chris Colvard and David Lasuertmer. See below for readings, assignments, and a description of the event.

When: Monday, June 11th, 8:30am through Thursday, June 14th, 1pm (Coming from out of town? You're welcome to arrive on Sunday, June 10th)

Please register by email or phone: 608.568.3630

We offer this workshop in the spirit of the gift economy.

Attention all commoners! How can we come together to protect and care for that which is most important to us? Over four days, we will bring our heads, hearts and hands together to investigate the richness of "the commons". In a family-friendly environment, we will play, sing, work and re-imagine the ways we interact with culture, the marketplace, our communities, and other forms of governance and see how careful and creative cooperation points toward true freedom and healthier relationships.

Here are the readings to do in advance of the workshop: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1719HOJgyjRmv2letLtAV-KoMik3DA9jkIO2A0wCuuU/edit>

St. Isidore Catholic Worker Farm
2752 Clay Hollow Rd.
Cuba City, WI 53807

Iowa Interfaith Power & Light

Iowa Interfaith Power & Light (www.iowaip.org) is a statewide organization mobilizing the religious community to become leaders in the movement for climate action through education, assistance with carbon footprints reductions, and advocacy for sustainable energy policies. Iowa IPL works with more than 300 congregations and has over 2,000 individuals on the monthly e-newsletter mailing list

Visit our website www.iowaIPL.org
<https://www.facebook.com/iowaip/>

Please contact Sarah Paulos at programs@iowaip.org for more information

Here in Dubuque, you can contact Tom Stovall with questions and more information: tstov@aol.com

Dubuque Community

Some thoughtful words from the Telegraph Herald

Gift to mosque an example of Golden Rule (TH view)

Members of local religious communities set a great example of reaching across divides to build understanding in the form of a beautiful gift. Dubuque's Catholic communities recently presented a locally made work of art to the Tri-State Islamic Center. The piece is a painted golden archway with a verse from the Quran written in Arabic inscribed along the top. The archway frames the mihrab, an alcove in the wall that is considered the holiest place in a mosque. The idea for the gift began with the Rev. Alan Dietzenbach, associate pastor at the Cathedral of St. Raphael and St. Patrick Church. He hoped the offering would be emblematic of a relationship built on mutual respect and support. The quote emblazoned on the work, arrived at in consultation with members of the Islamic faith, suggests that the purpose of having different groups of people is to get to know one another. That, according to Imam Adib Kassas, is perfectly fitting in a community with so many people of faith. It's particularly gratifying in a world where hypocrisy is rampant to see a loving example of walking faith in our local community. (TH 5-7-18)

Dubuque Coalition for Non-Violence

Saturday June 2 is Wear Orange Day!

Join the Dubuque Coalition for Nonviolence and gather in Washington Park (601 Locust, across from the Federal Building) from 12:30 to 1:30 PM on June 2. For more information go to <https://wearorange.org> or contact Tim Moothart at timmoot1@gmail.com

The holy month of Ramadan begins around May 16. We wish Ramadan Mubarak to our brothers and sisters. For more information please visit the Tri State Islamic Center Facebook page, @TriStateIslamicCenter



Remember...if you have items for the Newsletter, email them to phyllisgarfield@hotmail.com by the first Saturday of each month. Note: "Jpeg" and "Word" files much preferred over pdfs!!

Help us spread DACU good news on Facebook!

Go to:

www.facebook.com/Dubuqueareacongregationsunited and "like" and "share"!

Final note: The DACU Board sends a heartfelt "thank you" to UDTs DACU Intern Trevor Oetting. Trevor's ready smile and warmth were a such a gift at each Board meeting and Delegate meeting this year, and our Facebook page has never looked better or received more likes....

Trevor will be returning to his hometown of Monmouth IL to serve two rural pulpits this summer. Trevor, our thanks and our prayers go with you and we hope you'll return to visit next year!





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