

March 3, 2019
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Des Moines Intentional Eucharistic Community
All are welcome at our table

Prayer Leaders: John and Tim Leimer

Music Leader: Kevin Pokorny

Welcome

Please stand in body or spirit.

Opening Song: *Send Us Your Spirit* #449

Blessing

Prayer Leader: Let us begin in prayer remembering the many images of God.

ALL: In the Name of God Who Brings Light, God Who Brings Peace, and God Who Is with Us. Amen.

Prayer Leaders: Peace be with you. **ALL: And also with you.**

Opening Prayer

Prayer leader: We stand together and commit ourselves to compassion, to openness, and to accepting suffering in our lives rather than inflicting it. We pray to be faithful to the word of kindness and courtesy, to forgiveness and silent mutual love. We pray to have the courage to offer our support to those who struggle to live. **ALL: Amen.** *(Pax Christi USA)*

Prayer Before the Readings

Prayer Leader: In you, O God, we find our joy.
You call us with your voice of love and lead us to mercy and justice.

**ALL: Give us ears to hear, lives to respond,
and voices to proclaim your Good News,
which we know through Jesus the Christ,
who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit,
one God forever and ever. Amen.** *(At Home with the Word, adapted)*

Prayer Leader: In your presence, O God, may our minds be opened, our spirits renewed, and our questions and insights shared. **ALL: Amen.**

Please be seated.

First Reading: Sirach 27:4-7;

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 92

ALL: O God, it is good to give You thanks.

Second Reading: Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

ALL: Thanks be to God.

Please stand for the Gospel.



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Gospel: Luke 6:39-45

ALL: Praise to you, Jesus the Christ.

Please be seated.

Dialogue Homily

Our dialogue homily is a time of reflection and sharing on the readings as they speak to our faith and life experiences, and as expressed and lived by our varied faith traditions.

Prayers of the People

Prayer Leader: Sisters and brothers in Christ, God invites us to bring our doubts and fears, our joys and concerns, our petitions and praise, and offer them for the earth and its creatures. Please offer petitions continuously without pausing. When all prayers have been stated, we will respond with: **God, hear our prayer.**

Prayer Leader: God of Hope, we pray you will comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind, and spirit — those whom we have named and those we hold in our hearts.

ALL: May they know the power of your healing love. *(A New Zealand Prayer Book, adapted)*

Prayer Leader: Receive our prayers, O God, and transform us through them, that we may have eyes to see and hearts to understand not only what you do on our behalf, but what you call us to do. *(Revised Common Lectionary Prayers 2002, adapted)*

ALL: Amen.

First Sunday Collection Recipient: *American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) Foundation of Iowa*

Communal Offering

Prayer Leader: God, the earth is yours, and everything in it. We come now to this table to make a return to You for all You have so generously given to us.

ALL: In this gathering, we are fed and nourished with the gift of Word, with bread and wine, and with the gift of one another.

East: You feed us that we may become what we eat — that we become bread for the world.

West: In thanksgiving, we offer our prayers and gifts, our daily lives, our very selves to You and to our world.

ALL: May the prayers of our community and the offering we now collect support the work of ACLU Foundation of Iowa. Amen.

Offertory Song: *Seek Ye First* #435

Eucharistic Prayer: *The Call*

*We gather around the altar for our prayer. Readers are not specifically assigned for the parts; please feel free to recite a passage if you feel so moved. **Bold parts are read in unison.** When it is time to bless the bread and wine, please extend a hand palm up as we say the words of blessing together. If you would like gluten-free bread, please stand by the podium.*

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The Lord's Prayer

Please join hands as we say The Lord's Prayer, beginning with "God with Us."

Peace

Communion Prayer

**We share this bread that was broken for us,
that we might learn how to be the Body of Christ.
We share the cup that was poured out for us,
that we might learn how to pour out our lives for one another.**

"You are the bread of life." "You are the cup of life."

When everyone has received Communion, please return to seats for silent prayer.

Communion Meditation

Prayer after Communion

Prayer Leader: In your Word, O God,
you reveal your healing power.

**ALL: Let your Good News echo throughout the world,
in every tongue and every culture,
that all may know mercy and love.
We ask this through Jesus the Christ,
who lives and reigns with you in unity with the Holy Spirit,
one God forever and ever. Amen.**

(At Home with the Word, adapted)

Healing Blessing

Anyone taking bread and wine to someone in the community is invited to come forward.

Prayer Leader: May our thoughts and prayers go to _____ and all those who need healing.
We hold them in our hearts.

ALL: We send you with bread and wine and the prayers of our community. Amen.

Please stand in body or spirit.

Blessing

Prayer Leaders: May God bless us, and may we all go forth to help bring God's love
and peace to our world.

**ALL: In the Name of God Who Brings Light, God Who Brings Peace, and God Who Is with Us.
Amen.**

Final Song: O God, You Search Me #437 v. 1, 2, 5

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***Please return the Eucharistic Prayer handout to the basket and
take this Prayer Aid/Bulletin home with you.
Please join us for refreshments and Community Conversation on Liturgy
immediately following the service.***

***Thank you for sharing in our celebration of faith this morning.
We pray together in this space every Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
All are welcome!***

For the collection each week, checks can be written to “DMIEC.” The First Sunday collection each month supports a selected charitable organization. The remaining collections cover utility, insurance, and other usual and customary expenses. Contributions are tax-deductible.

Collection recipient *TODAY: American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) Foundation of Iowa.*

The ACLU of Iowa has launched an effort to highlight the problem of court debt in our state, expose its impact, and recommend reforms. Court debt – the various legal fines and costs assessed when a person is involved in the legal system – is unfairly and increasingly perpetuating downward spirals of poverty for Iowans. The project will include issuing a public report, pursuing legislative reforms, and engaging in public education and advocacy. Our donations will be used to staff the effort and cover costs for public education and advocacy. **Checks can be written to either “ACLU Foundation of Iowa” or “DMIEC.”**

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION *TODAY (Postponed from last Sunday)*

Please plan to stay after the service for this Liturgy Conversation to talk about Eucharistic Prayer revisions, creedal statements, and alternate reading selections. Refreshments will be served in the worship space. In the interest of

The Revamped DMIEC Website Is Up and Running at dmiec.org

At long last, DMIEC has launched the new website, which is available at www.dmiec.org. Nearly 90 DMIEC members have already spent the 3-4 minutes it takes to set up their registered user accounts, which allows them access to the full website.

Members who've not done so already in response to Kevin Pokorny's recent emails, please set up your account by clicking on the “Register as a DMIEC Member” link in the upper right-hand corner of the home page. Do this as soon as possible in order to ensure continuity in DMIEC communications and awareness of DMIEC events. If you have any questions, please email them to dmiec11@gmail.com.

Once you have your member account set up and have logged on using your email address, you will find a top menu with links to Quick Info, Events, Community, Prayer Aid, Liturgy, Faith In Action (Social Justice and Pastoral Care), Stewardship, and Governance topics with a variety of info and resources within those categories.

Non-members wishing to receive emails about DMIEC events or news and/or sign up for worship volunteer roles should set up a user account by clicking on the “Register as a Non-Member Volunteer” link in the upper right-hand corner of the www.dmiec.org home page and providing the info requested there.

If any of your personal info on the website is out of date or incorrect, please email corrections to dmiec11@gmail.com. If you spot any errors or omissions on the website, please notify us of those at that same email address and we will do our best to fix them.

Thanks for your continued patience in this post-launch phase.

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Date/Time	Event	Contact Person(s):
Wednesday, March 6, 7:00 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service	Liturgy Team
Sundays, 10, April 7, May 5, after service in library	State Legislative Updates and Discussion	Social Justice Committee, Bob Mulqueen
Monday, March 11, 6:00 p.m.	Community Council Meeting	Community Council
Wednesdays, March 13, 27, April 3, 10, 7:00 p.m.	Lecture Series: <i>Sounds True – Waking Up in the World</i>	Liturgy Team
Thursday, March 14, 6:30 p.m.	Social Justice Committee Meeting	Social Justice Committee
Sunday, March 24, after service	Interfaith Alliance of Iowa	Steve Gude
Wednesday, March 27, 2:00 p.m.	Liturgy Planning Meeting	Liturgy Team
Wednesday, April 3, 5:30 or 6:00 p.m.	Central Iowa Shelter Meal	Kathy Eastman

MINISTRIES FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 10

Prayer Leader: Cindy Mumm

Music Leader: Julie Powell-Mohr

Eucharistic Ministers: Diane Morain

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR ALL OTHER POSITIONS!

PLEASE SIGN UP! Volunteer signup sheets are located in the entry hallway. Instructions for the various volunteer positions are available on the website (dmiec.org) or in the Liturgy Room.

Questions about a particular position? Contact one of the Coach Contacts posted above the clipboards.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS (May be subject to change)

Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Romans 10:1-8-13; Luke 4:1-13

PRAYERFUL PRESENCE at the CAPITOL

Mondays at 12:45 p.m. ALL are invited to join us as we circle the Iowa State Capitol rotunda in meditative prayer. To begin with intention we gather at the top of the stairs (second floor) before we walk. Come with your own hopes for the people of Iowa, and we will walk together in silent reverence.

Everyone welcome! Questions? Please call Kay Kopatich, 240-4904.

Prior to our walk, Interfaith Alliance of Iowa presents Moral Mondays, 12:00-12:45 p.m. in Room 304, with speakers on topics important to current legislation.

DMIEC EVENTS:

SOCIAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY

Sunday, March 10, after service in the library

Get updates on the current state legislative session and learn about the issues and how to advocate for social justice. Bob Mulqueen and Social Justice Committee members will hold discussions after Sunday services generally every two weeks until early May. See Julie Powell-Mohr to receive email action alerts.

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MORE DMIEC EVENTS:

Lecture Series: *Sounds True – Waking Up in the World*

Wednesdays, March 13, 27, April 3, 10, 7:00 p.m.

March 13: David Suzuki: Climate Change and Interconnectedness – What Legacy Will We Leave?

A living legend whose career as a university professor, author, and environmental activist has spanned nearly 60 years, David Suzuki speaks to deep challenges facing modern societies including how we prioritize human-made concepts such as nation-states, corporations, and economic philosophies over sustainably clean air, water, soil, and energy. Highlights include the responsibility of elders to speak truth to powers and safeguarding the invaluable environmental wisdom of indigenous peoples.

March 27: Xiuhtezcztli Martinez: Roots of Revolution (youth activist in the environmental movement)

April 3: Ruth King: Mindful of Race Training: Racism as a Heart Disease

April 10: Pema Chödrön & Father Greg Boyle: On Cultivating Courage

Presentation by Connie Ryan of Interfaith Alliance of Iowa

Sunday, March 24, after service

Connie Ryan, Executive Director of Interfaith Alliance of Iowa, will discuss IAI's work and what legislation they are following during the current session. All are invited to attend.

Central Iowa Shelter Meal

Wednesday, April 3, 5:30 or 6:00 p.m., Central Iowa Shelter & Services, 1420 Mulberry, St., DM

Foods will arrive already prepared from the Johnston Hy-Vee. Volunteers needed to assist in serving and hospitality/fellowship. Serving begins 6:30; several volunteers needed about 5:30 and everyone else by 6:00, so we can make assignments, get foods set up and be ready to serve on time. Serving completes about 7:30. Shelter staff handles cleanup. Contact Kathy Eastman, keastman33@gmail.com; 255-7885 (home) if you have questions or to volunteer. Let Kathy know whether arriving at 5:30 or 6:00 better fits your schedule. *Future dates: Thursdays, September 5 and November 7.*

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Becoming American

Mondays, March 4 & 11, 6:00 p.m., Franklin Library, 5000 Franklin Ave., DM

The Des Moines Film Society presents a six-week program featuring documentary film screenings and scholar-led discussions about immigration issues. For more, visit becoming-american.org/programs

March 4: *Family and Community* explores how family ties and community institutions have played an essential role in successful migration and adaptation to American life

Crossroads: *Welcoming Refugees to Iowa*

Friday, March 15, 11:45 – 1:00 p.m., Plymouth Congregational Church, 4126 Ingersoll Ave., DM

Historically the United States and Iowa have played a lead role in offering refuge to the most vulnerable who are resettled from around the globe. As federal policies rapidly change, what are the impacts being seen here in Iowa? How are organizations and communities working to strengthen their ability to welcome refugee families and foster their successful integration into their new communities?

Nick Wuertz, the Director of Refugee Community Services at Lutheran Services in Iowa (LSI), will answer these questions and share how LSI works to empower individuals and families as they pursue their dreams in their new community. \$10 per person (payable at the door) — includes lunch. Please make reservation by March 12 at info@interfaithallianceiowa.org or 515-279-8715.

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Charting Your Soul's Compass: A Women's Reflective Writing Retreat

March 28 – 31, St. Benedict Center, Schuyler, Nebraska

Mary Kay Shanley and Diane Douiyssi offer this Thursday evening through Sunday noon retreat that encourages women to experience the treasure of expression waiting to emerge, to consider the possibilities that await the writer within, and to celebrate the purpose and direction in their own lives. For more information, please go to www.StBenedictCenter.com.

Drake University Comparison Project: *Miracles*

Thursday March 28, 7:00 p.m., Sussman Theater, Olmsted Center, Drake University

“Saintly ‘Miracles’ and Yogi ‘Magic’ in the Bhakti and Sufi Hagiographies of North India” presented by Patton E. Burchett, *Assistant Professor of Religious Studies, College of William and Mary.*

I AM AFRICA

Saturday, March 30, 5:00-8:00 p.m., Franklin Junior High, 4801 Franklin Ave, Des Moines

Join Genesis Youth Foundation as they showcase African culture through food and entertainment; offer insights into the local refugee and immigrant community; and raise awareness for the mission and members of Genesis Youth Foundation. Keynote speaker is retired Bankers Trust CEO Suku Radia, an immigrant from Uganda. He will focus on African immigrant and refugee community challenges and strengths. Genesis youth will perform contemporary and traditional African dance. African food will be served, lovingly prepared by Genesis Youth Foundation parents. Silent auction will include items hand-crafted by local African community members. Admission: Adult \$25 in advance/\$30 at the door; Children \$10 in advance/\$15 at the door. Tickets at www.genesisyouthfoundation.org/events.

Catholic Peace Ministry's Bishop Dingman Peace Award

Saturday, March 30, 6:00 p.m., Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 2926 Beaver Ave., Des Moines

All are welcome to join Catholic Peace Ministry for food and fellowship in the parish hall followed by the speaker and award program in the sanctuary at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$50. Limited scholarships are available. This year's awardee is Carolyn Uhlenhake Walker, a long-time peace and climate activist, teacher and mentor from Des Moines. The speaker will be Jeffrey Biggers of Iowa City, the author of *Resistance: Reclaiming an American Tradition* and an award-winning historian, journalist and playwright who founded the Climate Narrative Project. For more information or to reserve tickets please call Patti McKee at 515-803-1152 or email to catholicpeaceministry@gmail.com.

Catholic Worker House Needs: Jackets, socks, stocking caps, blankets, and sleeping bags.

Other immediate needs: disposable razors, shaving cream, and deodorant. Please place donations in the grocery cart in the coatroom. Thank you for your continued support.

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If you are new to IEC and would like a printed nametag, please sign up on the sheet in the entry hallway. Please include your email address if you would like to be added to our distribution list. PLEASE NOTE: Signing up for a nametag and emails does not register you as a member of DMIEC. You must be a registered member to access the Members section of our web site and to vote in DMIEC elections. There is no tithing commitment. For more information or to register, please contact Jim Fifield, dmiec11@gmail.com or 720-2104.

BREAD AND WINE

If you would like to take the bread and wine to someone, or if you would like a member to bring bread and wine to you, please call Diane Morain at 491-7778 or talk to her before worship on Sunday. The bread and wine can then be blessed by the community during our Liturgy of the Eucharist. *Sharing the bread and wine is a vital part of our community.*

POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT: DMIEC recognizes that political involvement is an important part of a citizen's role and encourages that involvement by all members, regardless of party affiliation. However, DMIEC worship services and communications are not the forums in which to promote or disparage candidates, campaign events, etc.

PLAYROOM SUPERVISION RULES

- Any child using the playroom must have their parent or other adult relative present in the playroom or immediately outside the room to maintain visual contact of the child.
- During Sunday services or other events, the parent or other adult relative may move a chair from the worship area to the hallway outside the playroom door to be able to participate in the service and maintain supervision of the child.
- If their parent or other adult relative is not present in the playroom, then two approved volunteers must be present. One of the volunteers must be 18 or older.

Individuals 14 years of age and older, who would like to supervise children in the playroom, must be approved by the Community Council. If interested in being approved, please contact Dennis Rhodes (DennisRho@msn.com or 371-6494) or Karen DeHaven (kdehaven@mchsi.com or 205-1086).

COMMUNITY CONTACTS

Pastoral Care Ministry Team

Kevin Pokorny (pokornyk@hotmail.com or 277-5848)

Mary Beth Reiff (marybethnz@msn.com or 779-6936)

Meal Coordinator:

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(Contact Karen to coordinate meal deliveries to DMIEC members suffering from illness, surgery, or accident.)

Community Council

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PERSONAL MINISTRIES

The Pastoral Care Ministry Team invites people in our community to offer their time as ministry to one another. Your ministry may include offering minor home repairs, yard work, pet care, respite care, prayer companion, rides to our Sunday prayer service, moving assistance, etc. For information, see flyers and signup sheet in the entry hallway.

There is an assistance fund for DMIEC members needing emergency financial assistance with food, shelter, utilities, transportation and medical and/or health issues. If you face such a need, we encourage you to contact a member of the Pastoral Care Ministry Team.

Building-Use Forms are on the web site. For information, please contact Donna Dressel.

To submit an item for the bulletin, please send to Martha Fifield, martha.fifield@gmail.com.

Weekly Prayer Aids/Bulletins are available at dmiec.org via the **Prayer Aid** link. Only registered DMIEC members who have set up a user account may access this area of the website. **To have full access, you may want to consider becoming a member.** If you are not a registered member (or are not sure whether you are registered), contact Jim Fifield, dmiec11@gmail.com, 720-2104. You may also contact Jim if you are already a member and are having issues accessing the website.

DMIEC on Facebook: "Des Moines Intentional Eucharistic Community"

Administrators approve comments to our page before they go 'live'; only administrators can post statuses or pictures as DMIEC. To have an event posted as DMIEC on the page or to share pictures, email to tracyarood@gmail.com

