**Congregational Announcements**

**Tabor Mennonite Women** mystery evening is May 17. Meet at the church by 5:20 p.m. to share rides and leave by 5:30 p.m. Cost is $20.

**Tabor Building Project Fundraiser** at the White Owl Barn, May 20 at 6:30 p.m. Come for some pulled pork and brisket and wonderful fellowship. Please sign up by May 14 on the bulletin board. Cost is $50.00 per person, minimum donation.

**The TMYF wishes to thank all of you for your tremendous generosity**, support, encouragement and prayers for us this year! It has been a meaningful year for us so far and we look forward to what lies ahead. We are excited for the opportunity to attend the MCUSA Convention, to engage in meaningful worship with others from around the country, to hear speakers and attend seminars that help to deepen our faith, to grow in our love and understanding of God and God's will for our lives, and to grow together in fellowship as a youth group. As Convention approaches, however, we find ourselves about $2,500 short. This is due in part to poor weather, canceling one night, and low attendance for Night in the Barn. To meet our goal for funds this year, the Youth Group will host a **Russian Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, May 21**. This will begin at 8:30 am (following our Lock-in at the church building the night before). We also are continuing our “Wall to Orlando” envelope fundraiser. Thank you to all of you who have already donated! As always, thank you for your support, your prayers, your encouragement, and your generosity. They are deeply appreciated!

**Membership Meal:** Several people interested in Tabor Church Membership will gather at the Parsonage on May 21 for a meal to explore the meaning of membership and share brief faith testimonies with each other. New members will be received during the worship service on June 25.

**Summer Intern:** We are excited to host Jayce Yoder, a current Bethel College Student, for his summer Ministry Inquiry Program experience. Jayce will be with us from May 22 through August 13. He will be staying with Pastor Phil and Mary and family for the first half of the summer and then will stay with Carol and Maynard for the second half of the summer. Jayce will be exploring many different aspects of pastoral ministry throughout the summer. We look forward to officially welcoming Jayce in church on May 28 as well as in the June newsletter.

**Leadership Retreat:** Save the Date for a Church Leadership Retreat on Sunday, June 4 from 4:30-8:30 pm. All are welcome. More information to come.

**Summer Elective:** Adult Faith Formation will be offering an elective following our summer worship series using the book *Anabaptist Essentials* by Palmer Becker. Classes will begin June 18 and continue through August. So that books can be ordered, please sign up on the bulletin board by May 28 if you plan to attend this class.

**MCC Coffee Mugs:** The next few Sundays there will be a small table in the foyer by the church office with the Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) coffee mugs on it. This year’s mugs had a picture of Tabor church. If you are interested, leave $10 in the money bag and make your own change. If you write a check, make it to MCC.

**Camp Washunga is only a couple weeks away!** The Snack Shack at Camp Washunga is not open for business this year. If you would like to donate food or funds to help cover the cost of snacks, please let us know. Examples could include, but are not limited to: fresh fruit, crackers, snack mixes, cookies.

**Community Announcements**

**MCC Sale Banquet:** Enjoy a GREAT meal and see the BIG check given to Maynard from the KS MCC Sale at the MCC Sale Banquet Thurs., May 18, 6:30 pm at Eden Mennonite Church. $15 donation for the meal. PLEASE let Jerry know this Sun., May 14 if you would like to attend.

**Mennonite Research Findings:** Two distinguished scientists will be coming to Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church to speak and present their findings on their research and its connection to Mennonites. Dr. Michael Crawford of the University of Kansas has been collaborating with the Mennonite communities of Kansas on biological aging and the history of Alexanderwohl. Dr. Francis McMahon has conducted research on the genetics of depression and schizophrenia and will give an address and explain his research and clinical diagnoses of mood disorders. The public is invited to attend on Sunday evening, May 21, 7:00 pm. For more information please post on the bulletin board.

**The Bethesda Home Annual Meeting** will be Wednesday, May 31 at 7:30 pm in the Bethesda chapel. All are welcome. Business meeting will be followed with a pie social.

**Conference Announcements**

**Prayer Requests:**
- **Western District Conference:** Give thanks for the diverse geography in which WDC congregations are located, and pray that we may care faithfully for God’s creation through stewardship of land, facilities, and other resources.
- **Mennonite Mission Network:** On this Mother’s Day, Mennonite Mission Network gives thanks for the women who have modeled God’s love and helped to shape the church. Ask God to bless all the mothers in the world with food and homes for their children.
- **Mennonite Education Agency:** Pray for the Hesston College Bel Canto Singers as they depart for a two-week tour through the Midwest and minister to their audiences through music. Pray that God would give them safety as they travel and stay with host families along the way.

**Summer camps at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp** are just weeks away (first youth camp begins June 11). This summer’s theme, “Freedom” is based on Galatians 5:13. Campers will explore their faith in God focusing on a relationship with Jesus that gives us freedom to fully enjoy life. While many of our Wilderness camps are filled, there is still space to register for Resident Camp (3rd grade to Senior High)! Resident camp weeks are filled with hikes, games, great camp songs, worship times, arts and crafts and much more. To learn more, visit our website (www.rmnc.org) or check out a camp brochure at your church.
Camp Mennoscah:
Schedules change and with that so do our kitchen staff needs! Camp Mennoscah is restarting the search for 1-2 volunteer kitchen staff for both July 16-22 (Junior High II) and July 30-August 4 (Senior High). These are great weeks filled with energy, enthusiasm, and bits of entropy! Kitchen staff can receive a parent discount up to full camp fees. The only skills needed are willing hands, cheerful hearts, and the ability to follow directions. It's a fun time!

Bring a Friend! Hey, returning campers! Did you know that if you bring a first time friend that you both get a free tee shirt? You do! So find that lucky friend and ask them to come to Camp Mennoscah with you. We'll make sure that both of you get that free camp tee.

Information for Camp Mennoscah or to register:
Online at www.campmennoscah.org
Telephone: 620-297-3290
Email: office@campmennoscah.org
Contact: olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org.

Is the Mennonite Church USA Convention 2017 on your calendar? Registration remains open. Come to Orlando July 4-8 to celebrate “Love is a Verb” with fellowship, worship and activities with Mennonites from around the country. The convention will feature top speakers, including Mark DeVries and Rachel Held Evans, along with a wide range of workshops and a chance to enjoy the Orlando sunshine. Learn more at convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/.

We LOVE our volunteers! Calling ALL Mennonite Central Committee volunteers (workroom, warehouse, meat canning, Kansas Relief Sale, Et Cetera Shop and more) to join us for our Volunteer Appreciation BBQ on June 7 from 5-7pm in the MCC Material Resources Center in N. Newton. Check mcc.org/volunteer-bbq for more information. Please RSVP for the event by May 24 to Patsy Dirksen, 316.283.2720, patsydirksen@mcc.org. We hope to see you on June 7!

Bethel College:
—Today, Sun., May 14— Open Road concert, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall at Bethel College
—Mon., May 15 – Woven concert, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall at Bethel College
—Fri., May 20 – Annual Senior Art Exhibit reception, 7-9 p.m., featuring the work of Kate Fry, Regier Art Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College

The Trail of Death: A Pilgrimage of Remembrance, Lament and Transformation: June 1–9, 2017. This nine-day pilgrimage traces the route of the 1838 forced removal of Potawatomi people by the U.S. military from their ancestral homeland in northern Indiana to present-day Osawatomie, Kansas. This Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary course can be taken for credit or audit. Sign up by tomorrow, May 15! ambs.edu/trailofdeath

Harvey County Habitat for Humanity is sponsoring a special aluminum can drive through June 6. Drop off locations are located at both Newton Dillon’s store parking lots in the Habitat for Humanity Houses. Please take large amounts of cans and or metal to All Metals at 401 W. first, Newton, Mon. - Fri, 9am - 4:30pm. Be sure to designate that the donation is for Harvey County Habitat for Humanity.

Offender/Victim Ministries: Want to visit someone in prison!? There is an upcoming training for new volunteers on Monday, May 15 from 12-4pm at the Hutchinson Correctional Facility, "Old School House." We are searching for more volunteers to begin visiting inmates through Offender Victim Ministries M-2 program. We are also forming a choir at the HCF East Unit. Would you like to sing in this? Do you know someone who could help provide musical leadership? Contact Ben Kreider at ben@offendervictimministries.org for more info on getting involved in M-2 or the choir.

Mennonite Mission Network is seeking a full time Senior Executive for Human Resources who is passionate about God’s reconciling mission to the world, committed to Jesus Christ, and active in a local congregation. Anticipated start date is July, 2017. Read the full position description at www.MennoniteMission.net. Please send resumé and cover letter to StaffRecruitment@MennoniteMission.net.