

Tabor Mennonite Church

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No. 4



We are Witnesses: Paul Arrested

Today we continue our journey through Acts by reflecting on Paul's arrival and arrest in Jerusalem. Even amidst people warning him to turn back, and even when faced with an angry mob, Paul remained focused on his purpose, his priorities, and practicing patient perseverance. We have a lot that we can learn from Paul's example.

GATHERING AND PRAISING

- PRELUDE Susan Merrifield
- WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Janna Duerksen
- RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP
- *CALL TO WORSHIP *Paul's words before pressing on to Jerusalem*
- *GATHERING HYMN *"Lord Jesus, you shall be my song"* No. 14 SJ
Marcene Entz, accompanist
- *GATHERING PRAYER
- *HYMN OF PRAISE *"Amazing grace!"* -vs. 1, 2, 3, & 6 No. 143
- *PASSING THE PEACE *The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.*
- OFFERING OUR GIFTS

PROCLAIMING

- WORSHIP MUSIC *"Hymn Medley"* Isaac Swartzendruber
- CHILDREN'S STORY Jill Litwiller
- SCRIPTURE READING *Acts 21: 17-36* Carrie Friesen
The Word of God for the people of God ~ **Thanks be to God!**
- SERMON *"Stay Focused"* Pastor Phil Schmidt

RESPONDING

- *HYMN OF RESPONSE *"We are often tossed and driv'n"* -vs. 1,3,&4 No. 72 SS
- SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Pastor Rosie Jantz
"Don't be afraid" No. 105 SJ

SENDING

- *SENDING HYMN *"The Lord is my light"* No. 97 SJ
- *BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE

Today

We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Jose and Violeta Ajquejay Saustegui and Nathan and Brandy Ashley. *A special welcome is extended to all visitors.*

At the back of the sanctuary there is a quiet room for infants and mothers, and a toddler nursery for those age three and under, staffed today by Eric Litwiller.

10:45 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone.

6:00-8:00 p.m.—Catechism.

This Week

Tuesday, January 29: 10:00 a.m.—Staff meeting

Wednesday, January 30: Wednesday Evening Activities

Wednesday, January 30–Tuesday, February 5:

Tabor serves at New Hope Shelter.

Thursday, January 31: 7:00 p.m.—Outreach meeting at Alexanderwohl
Bulletin Announcements due by 8 a.m.

Next Sunday, February 3

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday is our annual Ministry Storytelling Sunday. Come to reflect on how the ministries of Tabor were carried out in the past year and the ways in which we envision ministries to evolve in the coming year. We will also come together to celebrate Holy Communion.

10:45 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone.

Dates to Remember:

Feb. 9-10: 'Know Jesus' at Hesston College for Jr. Highers

Feb 17: MCC Fellowship Meal

Building Fundraising Concert by Hesston and Bethel College Choirs

Feb 24: Youth Sunday

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

January 20, 2019

Offering	= \$ 4,283.25	Attendance	= 144
Adult F.F.	= \$ 16.75	Attendance	= 58
Jr. F.F.	= \$ 12.24	Attendance	= 31

Prayer Requests

The following prayer requests were shared on January 20.

- ★ Pastor Katherine shared that Dennis Schroeder died peacefully on Jan. 19. Lord, hear our prayers for Jodi and Mike Unruh, Lindsey, Dylan, Eve, and Kacey Buller, and for other family members and friends who are mourning his loss as well as remembering and celebrating his life. A memorial service will take place at 4 pm today (Sunday, Jan. 27) at Alexanderwohl.

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ the many people working diligently on our church building project. Lord, hear our prayer for safety and strength.
- ★ our nation's leaders and those impacted by the government shutdown. Lord, hear our prayer for peace, justice, wisdom and strength.
- ★ Caring Quilt Locations: The caring quilt is home.
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Cost of entire project = \$1,300,000

Money already received	\$1,040,745	This week's progress
Pledges remaining to be paid	\$55,442	\$100
Challenge Grant if goal is met	\$100,000	
Needed to meet Challenge Grant	\$103,813	\$2,585*

*Includes \$2,435 for Alvin Schmidt Memorials

"Stay Focused"

Pursue Purpose

Prioritize Priorities

Practice Perseverance



Tabor Mennonite Church

Prelude: 9:15am
 Fellowship Time: 10:30am
 Phone: 620-367-2318
 Website: www.tabormennonite.org

Worship: 9:30am
 Faith Formation: 10:45am
 891 Chisholm Trail, Newton, KS 67114
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As God's children and the body of Christ, we are called by God to offer hospitality, healing and hope in the name of Christ.

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Deacons:

Barb Abrahams	Carol Duerksen	Erica Stoltzfus
Duane Duerksen	Emil Schmidt	John Unruh