

# Tabor Mennonite Church

February 10, 2019

## Note of Thanks

Thank you for your thoughts, prayers, food, cards and kind words for our family. They were very much appreciated during this difficult time.

~The Family of Dennis Schroeder

## Congregational Announcements

**The Tabor MCC Fellowship Meal**, on February 17 at noon, is a great way to have a great meal and support the MCC Sale. Cost is a donation of \$20 for adults and \$6 for children 6-12. The menu will be lasagna, green beans, bread and dessert. Please sign up on the bulletin board by Sunday, Feb. 10. If you have questions, contact Kristin Schmidt or Leann Toews.

**Coming to a church very near you!** The Hesston College Bel Canto Singers AND the Bethel College Concert Choir will be performing here at Tabor on February 17 at 7:00 p.m. Bringing these two choirs together for a concert is a dream come true for their directors, and it will be a very special evening indeed. Save the date for this fundraising concert to support the building fund!

**Tabor Mennonite Women:** The 2019 calendar of programs and events is available for you on the table in the foyer. On the bulletin board is a calendar where you may sign up for a variety of things including devotions, snacks, and planning the food or decorating for Christmas breakfast. More than one person may sign up for any of these ways of participating in TMW. Our next program is Monday, Feb. 11 at 7pm. Exchange Students will share along with Carol Duerksen. Questions? Ask Barb Banman.

**The annual Camp Washunga fundraiser meal is coming up!** Join us at the Goessel High School cafeteria on March 3 for a delicious meal of lasagna, salad, green beans, bread and dessert. Cost of the meal is by donation and we will begin serving at 11:30 am. Thanks for your support!

**A membership meal** is being planned for Sunday, April 7, from 12-3 pm. Please let a pastor know by the end of March if you are interested in joining Tabor as a member.

**Lost and Found items** are located on a table by the coat racks. Please claim your items by February 17. Unclaimed items will be donated to Et Cetera Shop in Newton.

**Have you been to Camp Mennoscah?** If so, your pictures would be appreciated to be used on the bulletin board in the basement. This will highlight our faith formation offering project for Camp Mennoscah. Pictures can be emailed to Pam Abrahams, brentnpam@hotmail.com or placed in her mailbox. Thanks!

**Do you wash dishes?** If so, please save your dish soap bottles for Vacation Bible School 2019. They can be placed in the box in the Faith Formation Supply Room or given to Pam Abrahams.

**Rescheduled:** On February 24, the Alexanderwohl peace committee invites you to our dessert potluck at 7:00 pm. Our speakers will have an environmental focus. Sarah Balzer, a junior at Bethel College, won the national C. Henry Smith Oration Contest. She will share her speech on how plastics create many environmental justice issues, and invite questions/discussion. Maynard Knepp will then share how the MCC Center works with recycling, and their dreams for expanding it. Everyone is invited to attend -- bring your favorite dessert to share.

**Blood Drive:** Each year in Feb. we focus on love and one way you can show you care and use your heart on Mon. Feb. 25 is to donate blood between 1:00-6:00 at Goessel Church or volunteer for an hour at the drive. Reserve a time at redcrossblood.org or sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board.

## Conference Announcements

### Prayer Requests:

- ★ Western District Conference: Give thanks for the WDC Resource Library, and pray that the materials in the library may be used by congregations and leaders to nurture deeper faith, grow in discipleship, and foster life-long learning.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: MMN requests prayer for DOOR city directors as they prepare for a busy season of hosting 179 students who will be serving in urban DOOR locations during their spring breaks.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for the 37 Instituto Bíblico Anabautista IBA volunteer tutors who serve at 35 study centers. Pray blessings on them as they give of their time, knowledge and wisdom to train new leaders for the Hispanic church in the U.S. May God grant them patience and energy as they continue to serve in 2019.

### Western District Conference:

—**All women** are invited to the Western District Women in Mission (WDWM) Spring Super on Thursday, March 21 at First Mennonite Church in McPherson. Speaker: Sheryl Wilson, Executive Director of KIPCOR.

—**Resource Library News:** Check out WDC Favorites in the Resource Library! The February display features favorites of Conference Minister, Heidi Regier Kreider. Her list of 12 really good reads can be found at <https://mennowdc.booksys.net/opac/crl/index.html>... under "Staff Favorites". Check back next month for Associate Conference Minister Kathy Neufeld Dunn's Top Ten List! These and 12,000+ other resources are available for checkout Monday-Friday 8am-5pm in North Newton, KS or via mail anywhere in the conference!

### Camp Mennoscah:

—Youth Volunteer Weekend (grades 7-12) is March 15-16 at Camp Mennoscah! Full scholarships available.

—Spring Scrapbook and Crafts Retreats March 8-10 or March 15-17.

—Camp Mennoscah annual Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction at Bethel College Mennonite Church, February 24 from 4-6pm.

Information for all retreats at Camp Mennoscah or to register:

Online at [www.campmennoscah.org](http://www.campmennoscah.org)

Telephone: 620-297-3290.

Email: [office@campmennoscah.org](mailto:office@campmennoscah.org).

Contact: [olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org).

#### **Mennonite Church USA:**

—Registration for MennoCon19 is open now at [convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration!](http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/) Register by April 30 and receive a convention t-shirt, three days of lunch and servant project opportunities.

—The Delegate Assembly at MennoCon19 provides the opportunity for MC USA to assemble for worship, fellowship, and understanding and deepening our commitment to Christ and each other. Find resources for appointing delegates at <http://mennoniteusa.org/resource/delegate-resources>.

—"The Cost of Discipleship," a blog series based on a sermon given on MLK weekend by Iris de León-Hartshorn, associate director of Operations for MC USA, is up now on the Menno Snapshots blog: [mennoniteusa.org/radicaldiscipleship](http://mennoniteusa.org/radicaldiscipleship).

#### **Mennonite Disaster Service:**

Volunteers are needed from 8am to 4pm in Eureka, KS. We will be roofing and completing exterior repairs. Tools and lunch will be provided. Work days are scheduled for February 22 & 23 and March 1 & 2. Please contact Jordan Miller for more details and to arrange transportation from the Newton area. Call, text or email 316-217-4570 or [jordanmiller795@gmail.com](mailto:jordanmiller795@gmail.com)

#### **Mennonite Central Committee:**

Sunday, Feb. 10, 4 p.m., join MCC at Bethel College Mennonite Church to hear, "On Second Thought: a family's return to Chad." Susan and Jim Jantzen will share the story and images from their return journey to Chad, Africa, where they served with Mennonite Central Committee 30 years ago. The January 2018 trip allowed Jim and Susan to deliver photos and recordings of members of the community whose lives were taken shortly after the Jantzen's departed in 1987. Please gather in the fellowship hall.

#### **Bethel College:**

Sun., Feb. 17 – KIPCOR Film Series presents More Than a Word, which examines the controversy over Native American-themed sports mascots and nicknames, 3 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College. Talk-back follows with Edward Valandra, Ph.D., Sicangu Titunwan (Lakota), and Sherman Padgett, former principal of Wichita North High School (the "Redskins").

**First Mennonite Church, Halstead,** will hold their annual Verenike Supper on Saturday, February 16 from 4:30-7 pm at 427 West 4th Street, Halstead, KS. The menu is verenike, ham gravy, sausage, green beans, cherry moos, zweiback, beverages, relishes, pie. Cost is by donation for church service trips and service projects. All are welcome!

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

April 12 & 13, 2019

[www.kansas.mccsale.org](http://www.kansas.mccsale.org)

—Collect coins and paper during the week to help with the **Children's Coin Offering**. Last Sunday brought in \$24.79

—PLEASE SIGN UP FOR THE MCC FELLOWSHIP LASAGNA MEAL. Feb. 17. See announcement on front page for details.

—**Please help contribute to Pre-Sale Expenses.** Make your checks out to MCC and put them in boxes of our contact persons.

—**Looking for your donations** of old cars, trucks, tractors, motorcycles, mowers and most ANYTHING of value for the KS MCC Sale this coming April. If you are thinking of buying a new car, consider donating your old car to the MCC Sale. Vehicles do not need to be running. We will pick them up, clean them up, and get them running. Your donations can change peoples lives and give them hope. Call Jerry Toews 620-367-8257.

—**Service Opportunities:** By tithing a little bit of your time each year, you have an amazing opportunity to impact your world by furthering the work of Mennonite Central Committee. There are variety of committee openings:

- Urgent Need Vereniki Making Committee – 2 people
- Domestic Arts Verenike Booth Committee Members
- Feeding The Multitude Sausage Baking on Saturday
- New Year's Cookie committee.

*For more information on all of the above, please see our sale contact persons: Jerry and Leann Toews, Archie and Kristin Schmidt and Eric Litwiller.*