

Tabor Mennonite Church

Volume LXIV

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No. 6



We are Witnesses: Paul on Trial

In Acts 22-26 we find Paul on trial as he defends himself in front of different groups and rulers. This morning we focus on three of the themes that arise from these chapters, remembering that God is with us even in the midst of our own life trials and continues to empower and strengthen us that we too may witness to Jesus' Good News in the city, in the countryside, and to the very ends of the earth.

GATHERING AND PRAISING

- PRELUDE Russell Adrian
- WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Eric Litwiller
- RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP
- CHORAL INTROIT "Christian, let your burning light" Adult Choir
- *CALL TO WORSHIP *from Paul's letter to the Philippians*
- *GATHERING PRAYER
- *GATHERING HYMN "I will come to you in the silence" No. 49 SS
- *PASSING THE PEACE *The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.*
- OFFERING OUR GIFTS

PROCLAIMING

- CHILDREN'S STORY Kara Swartzendruber
- SCRIPTURE READING *Acts 26: 19-29* Kristi Unruh
The Word of God for the people of God ~ **Thanks be to God!**
- MESSAGE "Witnessing through finding common ground"
Pastor Katherine Goerzen
- *HYMN "They'll know we are Christians by our love" -vs. 1 & 2 No. 105 CS
- MESSAGE "Witnessing in the midst of trials" Pastor Katherine Goerzen
- CHORAL ANTHEM "O Jesus, I have promised" -Helvey Adult Choir
- MESSAGE "Witnessing through telling our story"
Pastor Katherine Goerzen

RESPONDING

- *HYMN OF RESPONSE "I love to tell the story" -vs. 1 No. 398
- SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Pastor Rosie Jantz
- ### SENDING
- *SENDING HYMN "Come, come, ye saints" No. 425
- *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 Kevin and Yvette Nickel and family and Rod and Ilona Abrahams. *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 Carrie Unruh and Adrian Kastner.

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

6:00-8:00 p.m.—Catechism.

This Week

Tues. Feb. 12: 10:00 a.m.—Staff meeting

Wed. Feb. 13: Wednesday Evening Activities

Thurs. Feb. 14: 10:00 a.m.—Stories & Stuff. Everyone Welcome!
Bulletin Announcements due by 8 a.m.

Next Sunday, February 17

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday we continue our "We Are Witnesses" worship series through Acts by focusing on Paul's travels to Rome in Acts 27-28. Pastor Phil will be preaching.

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

11:45 a.m.—MCC Fellowship Meal

7:00 p.m.—Building Fundraising Concert by Hesston and Bethel College Choirs

Dates to Remember:

- Feb. 24: Youth Sunday and youth fundraiser meal.
Feb. 25: Blood Drive at Goessel Mennonite Church.
March 2: TMW project day for MCC
March 3: Camp WaShunGa Fundraising Meal
March 6: Ash Wednesday

Prayer Requests

The following prayer requests were shared on February 3.

- ★ Pam praised God for all the children's Faith Formation teachers and helpers at Tabor. Thanks be to God!
- ★ Mandy expressed her sadness over the new abortion law passed in New York and requested prayers for our country to remember that all life is precious. Lord, hear our prayer.
- ★ Ruby thanked the congregation for all the ministry reports shared during the worship service as well as all the people who are actively involved in the ministries of the church. Thanks be to God!!

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ Junior Highers attending "Know Jesus" at Hesston College this weekend. Lord, hear our prayer for a meaningful time full of learning, fellowship, worship, and fun.
- ★ the many people working diligently on our church building project. Lord, hear our prayer for safety and strength.
- ★ Caring Quilt Locations: The caring quilts are home.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE February 3, 2019			
Offering	= \$ 4,796.10	Attendance	= 144
Adult F.F.	= \$ 33.00	Attendance	= 48
Jr. F.F.	= \$ 17.24	Attendance	= 48



Cost of entire project = \$1,300,000

Money already received	\$1,049,960	This week's progress
Pledges remaining to be paid	\$47,692	
Challenge Grant if goal is met	\$100,000	
Needed to meet Challenge Grant	\$102,348	\$460

Notes

Witnessing through finding common ground

Witnessing in the midst of trials

Witnessing through telling our story



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:

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