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# We are Witnesses: Paul to Rome

Today we courageously journey with Paul to Rome (Acts 27-28) as we reflect on our own need for courage and strength in our individual and collective journeys of faith.

#### GATHERING AND PRAISING

Prelude Deloris Schmidt

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Michael Unruh

RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP

INTROIT "Oh, Be Careful" & "Praise Him, Praise Him" Sonbeams

\*CALL TO WORSHIP from Paul's letter to the Romans

\*GATHERING HYMN "The love of God" No. 44 SJ

\*GATHERING PRAYER

\*HYMN OF PRAYER "When the storms of life are raging" -vs. 1-4 No. 558

\*PASSING THE PEACE The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

#### PROCLAIMING

WORSHIP MUSIC "I love to tell the story" Venita Schroeder

CHILDREN'S STORY Carrie Unruh

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 28: 16-31 Gayle Funk
The Word of God for the people of God ~ Thanks be to God!

SERMON "Take Courage!" Pastor Phil Schmidt

RESPONDING

\*Hymn of Response "My life flows on" No. 580

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Pastor Katherine Goerzen

SENDING

\*SENDING HYMN "How firm a foundation" -vs. 1, 2, 3, & 5 No. 567

\*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 Pastor Phil and Mary Schmidt and family and Archie and Kristin Schmidt. *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 Eunice Nickel and Audessi Unruh.

**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

### **This Week**

Tues. Feb. 19: 10:00 a.m.—Staff meeting

7:00 p.m.—Deacon meeting

Wed. Feb. 20: Wednesday Evening Activities

Thurs. Feb. 21: 9:30 a.m.—Worship Planning Team meeting

7:00 p.m.—Christian Education meeting

Bulletin Announcements due by 8 a.m.

Newsletter Items are due

# Next Sunday, February 24

**9:30 a.m.**—Next Sunday will be Youth Sunday. The youth are planning and leading the service, focusing on the Noah story from Genesis 6-9. Audessi Unruh is preaching. The service will be especially mindful of children, and parents with children are encouraged to sit in the front rows.

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

**11:45 a.m.**—TMYF will be serving a pulled pork meal followed by a dessert auction. All proceeds will go towards the MC USA Convention in Kansas City this summer. Thanks for your continued support for our youth!

**6:00-8:00 p.m.—**Catechism.

#### Dates to Remember:

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**

## Remember to Pray for:

- ★ Our youth as they plan and prepare for the worship service next Sunday. Thanks be to God for their contributions to this congregation and beyond.
- ★ Leaders, policymakers, and citizens in the United States amidst continued tension related to abortion laws and border security. Lord, hear our prayer for peace and justice to prevail.
- ★ 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.

## Remember to praise God for:

- ★ The positive opportunity that several of our youth had to spend at "Know Jesus" last weekend. Thanks be to God for the fun, fellowship, worship, and growth that took place!
- ★ The opportunity we have this evening to extend hospitality to the wider community through the Bethel/Hesston joint choral concert. Thanks be to God!

## OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE February 10, 2019

Offering = \$4,546.75 Attendance = 162 Adult F.F. = \$62.30 Attendance = 58 Jr. F.F. = \$16.29 Attendance = 50



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

Money already received \$1,057,374 This week's progress
Pledges remaining to be paid \$47,026 \$666
Challenge Grant if goal is met \$100,000
Needed to meet Challenge Grant \$95,600 \$6,746

# "Take Courage!"

Journey to Rome (Acts 27:1-38)

Shipwreck on Malta (Acts 27:39-28:10)

Proclamation in Rome (Acts 28:11-31)



### **Tabor Mennonite Church**

Prelude: 9:15am Worship: 9:30am Fellowship Time: 10:30am Faith Formation: 10:45am

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