

# Tabor Mennonite Church

February 3, 2019

## Congregational Announcements

**The Tabor MCC Fellowship Meal**, on January 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 Kris 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.

**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.

**Directory Updates** and changes to the church directory are due this week. Please contact the church office at [kfunk@tabormennonite.org](mailto:kfunk@tabormennonite.org).

**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](mailto: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.

## Conference Announcements

### Prayer Requests:

- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for junior high youth and sponsors attending 'Know Jesus', a retreat next weekend organized by the WDC and South Central Conference Youth Ministry Committee and hosted by Hesston College for students to worship together and learn more about Anabaptist roots and faith.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Mary Raber requests prayer for pastors and their wives living in Ukraine's militarized zone. MMN is helping sponsor a retreat for them this month. Pray for safety in travel and that church leaders would be physically and spiritually renewed for continued ministry in difficult conditions.

### New for parents at the Conference Resource Library:

—*Upside Down Living: Parenting* by Katherine & Peter Goerzen (Tabor Authors!) Raising kids is hard enough. But raising kids to heed Jesus' upside-down call away from status and power and toward service and sharing? It can seem almost impossible. So how can parents model countercultural choices? What habits can help families joyfully follow Christ instead of the latest trend?  
—*White Kids: Growing up with Privilege in a Racially Divided America*  
—*Raising White Kids: Bringing up Children in a Racially Unjust America*  
—*With all Due Respect: 40 Days to a more Fulfilling Relationship with Your Teens & Tweens*  
Stop by or contact the library to borrow these (or other great) parenting resources! [crib@mennowdc.org](mailto:crib@mennowdc.org) or 316-283-6300

### Camp Mennoscah

—Camp Mennoscah's online registration for summer youth camps opened February 1!

—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.

—Camp Mennoscah is now accepting applicants for a quarter-time (10 hours/week) custodial-housekeeping position.

*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).*

**Young Adult Snow Camp at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp** is February 22-24. Amy Zimbelman, pastor at Mountain Community Mennonite Church, will share during the worship times on the topic "Someone who looks the part: intersectional identities and vocation." There will be group games, broomball, human curling, singing, and many opportunities to be outside enjoying the beauty of creation. The cost is only \$95. Anyone ages 18-30 is welcome to come! Online registration available at [www.rmmc.org](http://www.rmmc.org) or call 719-687-9506.

### Mennonite Church USA:

—**Early registration for MennoCon19** opens on Feb. 6, 2019. Visit [mennoniteusa.org/registration](http://mennoniteusa.org/registration) now to find rates, forms and additional information.

—**New resources** are available for exploring and engaging with MC USA's structure. Read MC USA Executive Director Glen Guyton's three-part series on "The Little Green Dove" at <http://mennoniteusa.org/littlegreendove> and watch the new video series at [mennoniteusa.org/polityvideoseris](http://mennoniteusa.org/polityvideoseris).

**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:**

—Join MCC on Sunday, February 10, 4 p.m. at Bethel College Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall 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.

—The Mennonite Central Committee Central States board of directors invites you to their **Annual Meeting** on February 23 at 10 a.m. at MCC in N. Newton (121 E. 30th).

**Save the Date!** All women are invited to the Western District Women in Mission spring supper Thurs., March 21 at First Mennonite Church, McPherson at 6:00 pm. Michelle Armster, Executive Director of MCC, speaker. Music by Michelle Unruh and Laura Unrau. More details coming soon.

**Bethel College:**

—**The Life Enrichment** program at Bethel College for Spring semester begins on February 6 and ends on May 1. This program is designed especially for persons 60 and above.

—Thurs., Feb. 7 -- **KIPCOR**, the Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution, offers “Building a Trauma-Informed Culture at Work and Beyond,” 6:30-8:30 pm, KIPCOR office (2515 College Ave., N Newton), with Joyce McEwen Crane, Ph.D., of Friends University. Cost: \$25; come at 6 for snacks and networking. Register at kipcor.org (click the workshop link) or by calling 316-284-5217.

**Social Security and retirement income workshop** scheduled for February. Everence® will hold an informative workshop on Thurs., Feb. 7, at 6:30 pm. The workshop will cover when to begin taking Social Security benefits, risks that can impact your savings and strategies to help your income last throughout retirement. Presented by Everence staff and held at the Everence office at 3179 N. Main St., N. Newton. Reserve your spot by contacting Michelle Ramer at (316) 283-3800; (877) 467-7294 or michelle.ramer@everence.com.

**Kidron Bethel Parkinson’s Support Group** will meet Tuesday, February 5, at 2 pm. in Menno Hall. Jake Snodgrass, Director of Advanced Physical Therapy at Hesston Wellness Center, will talk about the LSVT BIG program which helps improve mobility, walking and overall function. All are welcome.

**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 &amp; 13, 2019

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

Help our 1st thru 6th graders collect coins and paper for the MCC Sale. They will be helping our ushers pass the cans till sale time. Give them your smiles and your coins and paper money. Collect your pocket change during the week and bring it to church.

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

**What items can you donate this year??** Make something; clean out the basement & closets. Your handcrafted & good used items always sell well. If you have questions ask your contact persons. Talk with Kristi & Brandon about how you and your children can start seeds for Plants & Things.

—**Fellowship Meals**, in area homes, are scheduled March 3 & 10. Registration deadline is Feb. 8. Please see the Fellowship Meal brochure for additional details.

—**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.

—**Quilters Corner Opportunities:** Volunteers are welcome and needed each Tuesday evening 7-9 pm at the MCC Center in North Newton to help sort and price items for the Sale as well as each third Saturday of the month (Feb 15, Mar 15) any time between 9 am - 3 pm. Quilting donations are also welcome and needed i.e. quilting fabrics, quilting supplies, vintage linens, unfinished quilting projects, etc. Questions, contact Ann Yoder Smith, 919-604-3282, rws.ays@gmail.com.

—Deadline for your **quilt donations** to be listed in buyers guide is March 11.

—**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.*