

Tabor Mennonite Church

March 17, 2019

Congregational Announcements

Ministry Map: Everyone is invited to participate in the Ministry Map activity hanging on the wall in the foyer! Simply follow the color-key to place a sticker dot where you live, where you work, where you learn, and where you serve (only put one dot per household, per place of employment, per place of learning, and per place of service). Please ask church staff if you have any questions. Also, feel free to ask anyone for help with handling the tiny dots :).

Tabor Mennonite Women: Western District Mennonite Women Spring Supper is on Thursday, March 21 at 6 p.m. 1st Mennonite Church in McPherson. The deadline for signing up is March 14! For more information on the program check out the flyer posted on the bulletin board (note: our own Michelle Unruh and Laura Unrau are providing the special music). Also, make a note on the sign up sheet if you would like to be a driver. Questions? Ask Barb Banman

Progressive Dinner: March 24, 5 - 7 p.m. Please sign up on the bulletin board by March 17. Ask Mary Schmidt or Carrie Smith if you have any questions.

The youth are close to reaching our monetary goal for Convention this summer. If you'd like to continue to support the youth, we will be selling bags of fairly traded One Village Coffee (comes in dark roast, medium roast, and decaf as well as whole and ground bean varieties). These are \$15 a bag (with 40% of profits going to our youth group, and \$1 for every bag sold goes toward peace and justice work). If you are interested, please be in touch with a youth or sponsor. Thank you for your support!

Building Dedication: We are planning to have a Building Dedication Service on Sunday, **August 25**, 2019. We hope that everyone can attend this celebration! More information to come as the date draws near.

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.

Camp Mennoscah is accepting registrations for summer camps. Register at campmennoscah.org. Receive an early registration discount until May 1 when full camp fees are paid! *Tabor Christian Ed Co will again be offering \$50 scholarships to Camp Mennoscah and Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp campers. Sign up on the bulletin board indicating the week of camp your child will attend.*

Bethesda Home is excited to announce that they have partnered with Goessel High School and Hutch Community College to offer a Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) Training at Bethesda this summer. Please see posted flyer for details.

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: Give thanks for Western District Women in Mission (WDWM), as they resource women by promoting spiritual growth, nurture women's gifts and leadership, build relationships and support the mission of WDC.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Do you know someone aged 15-22 who might benefit from Mennonite Mission Network's Youth Venture programs in Benin, Indonesia, Japan or Peru? Pray for participants who want to build the global church through relationships with God's people around the world.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary, Elkhart, Indiana. Pray that church leaders across the world who desire Anabaptist biblical and theological training would connect with AMBS's online distance education offerings.

Camp Mennoscah:

—We will be putting in the dam at Camp Mennoscah on March 17 at 2 pm. Gather at the maintenance shed with appropriate helping or spectating clothing! If we're not there, check by the dam. Whatever the weather, we'll be there (unless deemed unsafe).

—Retirees Retreat at Camp Mennoscah, April 22-24.

—Work and Play Day, April 27.

—We will be putting in the dam at Camp Mennoscah no later than March 30.

Information for all retreats at Camp Mennoscah or to register:

Online at www.campmennoscah.org Telephone: [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290).

Email: office@campmennoscah.org.

Contact: olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org.

Returning Citizen Care Kits Needed: MCC Central States is seeking items for Returning Citizen Care kits. The full list of contents can be found on the Material Resources page of our website or by visiting our wish list on Amazon (although not all items for all kits are available on Amazon), making shipping items directly to our Material Resource Center easier. Returning Citizen Care kits are distributed to MCC partner organization Working Men of Christ in Wichita, KS where the kits help men and women feel supported and loved as they transition to life outside of prison. Items for kits should be sent to MCC Central States, 121 E. 30th N. Newton, KS 67117. Questions? Please contact katemast@mcc.org or 316.283.270. Thank you for your generous support!

Hesston College:

—Hesston College piano instructor Dr. Mei Li, a dynamic pianist who was born in Chengdu, China, will present a lecture recital, "The Key Characteristics of Franz Liszt's Late Piano Works," at 7 p.m., Monday, March 18, at Hesston Mennonite Church on the Hesston College campus. Dr. Li is a Liszt scholar who completed her doctoral research on the works of Liszt's late period under the direction of distinguished Liszt authority, Alan Walker. Her recital will be a presentation of a group of piano music of Liszt's final period and discussion of two main categories – death and despair – into which Liszt's late works often fall.

—Hesston College has been selected as one of 37 cities for Shane Claiborne (nationally recognized Christian activist and author) and Mike Martin's national Beating Guns Tour, which offers commentary and hope on the tragedy of gun violence in America. Inspired by the biblical prophets' call to "beat swords into plowshares," the free 90-minute event weaves music, art and stories of people whose lives have been changed by gun violence, culminating with an invitation for the audience to take the hammer and transform a gun into garden tools. The event will take place at Hesston Mennonite Church on the Hesston College campus Thursday, March 21, 7 p.m. In order to get an idea of audience size, those planning to attend the event are asked to register.

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary:

—**Explore 2019 still has openings!** Through Explore, students in grades 10–12 can explore ministry and theology, grow in spiritual practices and listen for God's call through a summer congregational internship and a Group Experience (July 9-25). The AMBS program is open to youth from all backgrounds. Apply now! ams.edu/explore

—**Scholarships available!** Ready to pursue seminary studies? Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana, offers both need-based financial aid and scholarships for students learning both on campus and at a distance. Apply for ministry scholarships by April 1. ams.edu/scholarships

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale
April 12 & 13, 2019
www.kansas.mccsale.org

—NEW RECORD SET for Children's Coin Offering last Sunday of an AMAZING \$201.27. THANKS to 2 quart jars of coins that were brought in. I (Jerry) got a few coins passed out last Sunday so you could have the pleasure of helping make a joyful noise. THANKS and keep collecting those coins at home. It is kind of amazing how they can count up to make something great!!

—We will be adding sign up sheets to our table in the hall this week. PLEASE joyfully volunteer to help somewhere for a shift either Fri. or Sat. It takes 1000 volunteers to put on the HAPPY event. More jobs are using "online" signup. Go to the website to sign up for these. IF you need help with this please ask one of the Tabor Contact Persons to help you. More instructions can be found on the signup table also.

—Pickup or Signup "online" for the 5K Run/Walk Sat. morning at 8am so you can eat with a clear conscience. Get folks to sponsor you to help raise more money for MCC. This is a GREAT event for families to plug into. It is MUCH FUN to run/walk with 350 others who come together from all over, and all ages.

—You can bring the items you have made to donate to the MCC Sale and put them on the tables or in the North West Corner of the Basement anytime.

—Bring material scraps, etc. for QUILTERS CORNER and put them in a Box under the Signup Table. Last year approx. \$20,000 was raised with these scraps that were brought in.

—Bring items for the Children's Auction and put in box under the Signup Table. ANYTHING that children would like to bid on should go in here. New or Nice Used Toys, Games, Dolls, etc. Plan to take your children to the Children's Auction and let them have FUN bidding on items they like. Children's Auction is 10 am on Sat. in Meadowlark Building.

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.