

Tabor Mennonite Church

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Witness to God's Peace

In the days to come, the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains. Peoples from many nations shall stream to it. They shall beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. They shall all sit under their own vines and fig trees and no one shall make them afraid.
~Micah 4: 1-4

GATHERING AND PRAISING

- PRELUDE Pastor Katherine Goerzen
- WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Eric Litwiller
- RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMPS
- *CALL TO WORSHIP *based on Isaiah 2: 1-4*
- *GATHERING HYMN "We dream of a turning" Insert
- *GATHERING PRAYER
- *HYMN OF PRAYER "Let there be light, Lord God" No. 371
- *PRAYER OF CONFESSION
- *WORDS OF ASSURANCE *from Micah 4: 3-4*
- *PASSING THE PEACE *The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.*
- OFFERING OUR GIFTS

PROCLAIMING

- CHILDREN'S STORY Sheri Schmidt
- WORSHIP MUSIC "I Will Be a Child of Peace"–Hagenberg Adult Choir
- SCRIPTURE READING *Matthew 26: 47-56* Elton Nickel
The Word of God for the people of God ~ **Thanks be to God!**
- SERMON "Swords into Plows" Pastor Phil Schmidt

RESPONDING

- *HYMN OF RESPONSE "You Seize No Sword" Words: Insert
Tune: "In Christ Alone" (No. 153 CS)
- *RESPONSIVE ACTION

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER
Blessing for Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

Pastor Rosie Jantz

SENDING

- *SENDING HYMN "Beyond a dying sun" No. 323
- *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 Donavon and Deloris Schmidt and Russ Francis and family. *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 Lindsey Buller and Adrian Kastner.

The flowers this morning are in celebration of Duane and Sharon Adrian's 50th wedding anniversary on April 13. Praise God for the gift love.



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

12:00 p.m.—Membership meal.

7:00 p.m.—Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus at Richert Auditorium, Tabor College campus.

This Week

Tues. April 9: 10:00 a.m.—Staff meeting.

7:00 p.m.—Outreach meeting.

Wed. April 10: Wednesday Evening Activities.

TMFY: Movie Night in the Barn, meet at 6:30pm.

Thurs. April 11: Bulletin Announcements are due by 8 a.m.

Wed. April 10 - Tues. April 16: Tabor serves at New Hope Shelter.

Fri. April 12 - Sat. April 13: Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale.

Next Sunday, April 14

9:15 a.m.—All children will meet in the Fellowship Hall to receive palm branches for the processional.

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. We continue our Lenten worship series focusing on the "Journey Forward" worship resources from Mennonite Church USA. Our theme will be Experience Transformation, scripture focus is Mark 1:9-11 and Mark 11:1-11, and Pastor Phil will be preaching.



Next Sunday continued

10:45 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone. All college-age people are invited to Les and Cynthia Goerzen's home next Sunday after the church service for devotions and visiting, followed by lunch.

7:00 p.m.—Kansas Mennonite Men’s Chorus, Bethel College

Prayer Requests

The following prayer requests were shared on March 31.

- ★ Evie shared a praise in regards to her improved health and for the joy to be back at Tabor. Thanks be to God!
★ Mary shared how their son received the sermon on tearing down walls. He connected this image with the story of the 3 Little Pigs, who, Mary shared, do end up living together in community with one another. Thanks be to God for the faith and insights of children!
★ Jerry Toews requested prayers for the Relief Sale Board after recently finding out that the Relief Sale may need to charge sales tax due to a new law. Lord hear our prayers as they work through this and that all who are involved in the Sale can focus on bringing peace and hope to God's children.
★ Pastor Phil shared that Bruce and Eileen Schmidt celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Thanks be to God!

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ the many people working diligently on our church building project. Lord, hear our prayer for safety and strength.
★ Caring Quilt Locations: The caring quilt is with Paul as he recovers from a heart cath. The children’s quilt is home.

Remember to Praise God for:

- ★ the good news that tax exempt status was restored for the Kansas Mennonite Relief sale. Thanks be to God! Lord, hear our prayer for a successful sale this next weekend.

Dates to Remember:

- April 15: TMW Salad Supper
April 18: Holy Week Meal and Service
April 20: Easter Egg Hunt
April 21: Easter Breakfast and Worship
April 30: Blood drive at Goessel Mennonite Church
May 4: Spring Work Day
May 8: VBS orientation meeting

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE
March 31, 2019
Offering = \$ 3,965.50 Attendance = 166
Adult F.F. = \$ 34.80 Attendance = 54
Jr. F.F. = \$ 9.31 Attendance = 33



Cost of entire project = \$1,300,000
Money already received \$1,107,170
Pledges remaining to be paid \$34,976
Challenge Grant if goal is met \$100,000
Needed to meet Challenge Grant \$57,854 \$1,350



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