

# Tabor Mennonite Church

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## *What is the Purpose of the Church: Apostle*

Today we begin a new worship series reflecting on the question: "What is the Purpose of the Church?" In Ephesians 4: 11-12, the Apostle Paul says: "The gifts [Christ] gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ..." Today we begin our worship series by focusing on the Apostolic function of the church.

### GATHERING AND PRAISING

PRELUDE Russell Adrian  
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Venita Schroeder  
RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP  
\*CALL TO WORSHIP *from Ephesians 4*  
\*GATHERING HYMN *"There are many gifts"* No. 304  
\*GATHERING PRAYER  
\*HYMN OF PRAISE *"Christ is our Cornerstone"* No. 43  
\*PASSING THE PEACE *The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

### PROCLAIMING

CHILDREN'S STORY Kara Swartzendruber  
WORSHIP MUSIC *"True Evangelical Faith"* Adult Choir  
*-By Larry Nickel, Text by Menno Simons*  
SCRIPTURE READING *Luke 6: 12-16; 9: 1-6, 10-11*  
Anthony Swartzendruber  
*The Word of God for the people of God ~ Thanks be to God!*

SERMON *"Sending and Extending"* Pastor Phil Schmidt

### RESPONDING AND SENDING

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE *"Be thou my vision"* No 545  
SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Pastor Phil Schmidt  
\*SENDING HYMN *"Build your kingdom here"* Screens  
\*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 Russ and Barb 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 Janna Duerksen and Porclein Unruh.

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

## This Week

**Tuesday, Jan. 21, 1:00 p.m.**—Staff meeting  
**7:00 p.m.**—Deacon Meeting

### **Wednesday, Jan. 22—Wednesday Evening Activities**

5:15 - Guitar Lessons	6:30 - Choir and Recreation followed by Circle of Grace instruction class
5:20 - Faithful Fitness	
5:45 - 6:30 Supper	7:00 - Youth Group
6:15 - Opening Music	7:30 - Adult Choir

**Friday, January 24 - Saturday, January 25**—WDC Women "Let's Talk"  
**Friday, January 24 - Sunday, January 26**—Jr. High Snow Camp

## Next Sunday, January 26

**9:30 a.m.**— Next Sunday we continue our worship series reflecting on "What is the Purpose of the Church?" Our framework for this worship series comes from Ephesians 4:11-12: "So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors (shepherds) and teachers (APEST), to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up." Next Sunday, we will focus on the Prophetic ministry of the church and Pastor Katherine will be preaching.

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

### **Dates to Remember:**

February 4: Council+ meeting  
February 9: Cookie decorating fellowship event  
February 23: Hesston/Bethel Choir Concert at Alexanderwohl  
February 26: Ash Wednesday  
March 1: Camp Tawakoni Fundraiser  
Camp Mennoscah Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction

## Prayer Requests

## Sermon Notes

The following prayer requests were shared on January 12.

- ★ Bruce shared a concern about Tabor's outdated sound equipment, challenging us to view this as an urgent need. Lord, hear our prayer for guidance as we look at this need, and as we share your message of Hospitality, Healing and Hope with everyone who comes to Tabor.

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ All who are dealing with illness or pain or recovering from surgery. All who are grieving the loss of loved ones. Lord, hear our prayer.
- ★ For the world, for those in positions of power and authority and for all who do justice and love mercy. Lord, hear our prayer.

Remember to Praise God for:

- ★ The calling and opportunities we have to be the sent people of God, proclaiming and embodying the reign of God!



### Tabor Mennonite Church

Prelude: 9:15am  
 Fellowship Time: 10:30am  
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Worship: 9:30am

Faith Formation: 10:45am

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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:

Carol Duerksen	Marcene Entz	Erica Stoltzfus
Duane Duerksen	Emil Schmidt	John Unruh

### OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE January 12, 2020

Offering = \$ 3,946.50	Attendance =	155
Adult F.F. = \$ 40.00	Attendance =	38
Jr. F.F. = \$ 12.68	Attendance =	30