

Tabor Mennonite Church

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EVANGELIST

What is the Purpose of the Church? Evangelist

This morning we welcome our Mennonite Mission Network Mission Partners, Kathryn and Dan Smith Derksen. We gather here this morning to give thanks for the gift of evangelism, and we remember our calling to proclaim and embody Christ's Good News in the world.

GATHERING AND PRAISING

PRELUDE Pastor Katherine Goerzen

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Leann Toews

RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP

*CALL TO WORSHIP *from Ephesians 4*

*GATHERING HYMN "Longing for light" -vv. 1, 2, 3, & 5 No. 54 SJ

*GATHERING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE "Lord Jesus, you shall be my song" -vv. 1, 2, & 4 No. 14 SJ

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

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

PROCLAIMING

WORSHIP MUSIC "God's Faithful Shepherds" -Douglas Wagner Adult Choir

CHILDREN'S STORY Kathryn and Dan Smith Derksen

SCRIPTURE READING *Ephesians 4:14-22* Melody Hall
The Word of God for the people of God ~ Thanks be to God!

SERMON Kathryn Smith Derksen

RESPONDING AND SENDING

*HYMN OF RESPONSE "Thuma mina" No. 434

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Pastor Phil Schmidt

*SENDING HYMN "Lord, you have come to the lakeshore" No. 229

*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 Venita Schroeder and Rod and Ilona 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 Sarahanne Unruh and Jaime Fabrellas.

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

This Week

Monday, Feb. 10, 1 - 6 p.m.—Blood drive at Goessel Mennonite Church

Tuesday, Feb. 11, 9:30 a.m.—Staff meeting

Wednesday, Feb. 12—Wednesday Evening Activities

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| 5:15 - Guitar Lessons | 6:30 - Classes |
| 5:20 - Faithful Fitness | - Adult Bible Study |
| 5:45 - 6:30 Supper | 7:00 - Youth Group |
| 6:15 - Opening Music | 7:30 - Adult Choir |

Thursday, Feb. 13, 6:00 p.m.—MCC Sale meeting at Tabor

Next Sunday, February 16

9:30 a.m.— Next Sunday we continue our worship series by 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." Pastor Rosie will be preaching.

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

12:00 p.m.—MCC Fellowship Meal

Dates to Remember:

February 20: Stories & Stuff

February 23: Youth Sunday and Fundraiser Meal

Hesston/Bethel Choir Concert at Alexanderwohl

February 26: Ash Wednesday

March 1: Camp Tawakoni Fundraiser

Camp Mennoscah Hymn Sing and Dessert Auction

March 29: Community Jr. High Life-Size Foosball at Tabor Park

Prayer Requests

The following prayer requests were shared on February 2

- ★ Kim shared that there were 9,504 comforters assembled during the Great Winter Warm-up Comforter Blitz. Thanks be to God for all the people who have shared their gifts and their time to put these together! Lord, hear our prayer for all who receive these comforters, that through these they would experience a glimpse of the comfort and love of Christ.
- ★ Carol shared that their donkey, Monty, died suddenly. She was shocked, as he had been healthy the day before, and was frustrated that perhaps something could have been done differently to prevent this. However, she remembered the challenge issued for a Year of Gratitude and began thinking of ways to practice gratitude in the midst of this. She issued a challenge for all of us to look for glimpses of God working, even in the midst of painful situations. Lord, hear our prayer that we may be given eyes to see and ears to hear you working in our midst. Thanks be to God, who does not abandon us and who continues working for good even in times of brokenness and pain!

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 work of Mennonite Mission Network, specifically the work of Dan and Kathryn Smith Derksen and their family, who have faithfully served in South Africa. Thanks be to God!

| OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE February 2, 2020 | | | |
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| Offering = \$ 5,170.35 | Attendance = | 132 | |
| Adult F.F. = \$ 94.00 | Attendance = | 48 | |
| Jr. F.F. = \$ 7.54 | Attendance = | 25 | |

Thanks

Dear Tabor Comforter Crew-

Thank you so much for the incredible event you all organized and hosted for the Great Winter Warm Up! Your organization, communication, leadership, positive attitudes, hard work, and beautiful space were all so appreciated. Thank you for helping MCC not only reach (actually surpass!) our goal of 6,500 comforters, but also our goal of sharing warmth, hope, and love with our brothers and sisters all over the world. THANK YOU!!

Kate Mast, MCC

Notes



Tabor Mennonite Church

Prelude: 9:15am
Fellowship Time: 10:30am
891 Chisholm Trail, Newton, KS 67114
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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:

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