



Living in Exile

Today we join the Western District Conference Assembly Digital Worship Service, "Living in Exile". God will be praised through:

- * wonderful music with Texas flair
- * a story of God's presence by a first-generation immigrant, Sue Park-Hur
- * sermon by Danny Carroll, biblical scholar who specializes in stories of God's people on the move
- * and a blessing of WDC ministers.

Plan to participate!

WORSHIP - August 2, 10:00 am

Facebook Live:

Go to the "Western District Conference (Mennonite Church USA)" Facebook page (see link below), click to join the event "WDC Annual Assembly Worship in English" OR "WDC Annual Assembly Worship in Spanish." Your chosen worship video will begin automatically at 10 am. Once the video begins, you are invited to share your first name and congregation in the Comments section to let others know who is present. You are also welcome to share in the joy by "liking" the event or by offering brief comments along the way.

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If you are unable to join at 10am on Sunday morning, you may view the service on the WDC YouTube channel later that day.

This Week

Tuesday, August 4, 10 am: Staff Zoom meeting.
7 pm: Church Council Zoom meeting.

Wednesday, August 5, 7:00 pm: Men's Bible Study. *See announcements.*

Next Sunday, August 9

8:30 a.m.—Next Sunday at our drive in worship service, we will begin a new 4-week worship series focused on the Biblical book of Jonah. Jonah has much to teach us in our current cultural climate. Next Sunday's specific focus will be on Jonah chapter 1, "Jonah the Fugitive," and Pastor Phil will be preaching.

7:30 p.m.—*Trouble I've Seen* book discussion via Zoom. We will discuss chapters 2 & 3 of Drew Hart's book. If you have any questions or would like to join the discussion, please contact Pastor Phil.

Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ Braxton Church had a successful medical procedure completed on July 8th at Boston Children's Hospital. During additional exploratory surgery, the medical team discovered some new pulmonary findings and are now evaluating their course of action with this information in mind. The plan is for Braxton to return to Boston Children's Hospital for another routine surgery at the end of the year. Your continued prayers for Braxton and his family are much appreciated! For more information on Braxton and his medical conditions, check out the Braxton's Warrior Club Facebook page at fb.me/BraxtonMChurch. Lord, hear our prayer.
- ★ our community and surrounding communities who are now dealing with more cases of COVID-19. Pray for awareness and responsibility in doing our part in helping to stop the spread of this virus. Also pray for our schools as they prepare to resume. Lord, hear our prayer.
- ★ Western District Conference: Give thanks for a spirit of sharing and fellowship in WDC, as congregations and members join together today in online worship as part of 2020 Annual Assembly.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Michael J. Sherrill begins his ministry as Mennonite Mission Network's executive director this month. Pray for him as he relates to partners and workers, conferences, and congregations "to equip and empower the church to engage their culture and world with the whole gospel."
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Joel Boettger assumes a new position, director of bands, at Bethel College this school year. Pray for him as he takes on new responsibilities amidst the uncertainty of whether or not it's safe to have practices and performances.

Congregational Announcements

Zoom Gatherings: If you would like to schedule a Zoom meeting for your small group, faith formation class, or another gathering, please let one of the pastors know and we will get that set up!

Rejoice! The fall issue of the Rejoice! devotional is available. Please let Kim know if you would like to have one mailed to you. Email kfunk@tabormennonite.org or call 367-2318. If no answer, please leave a message.

Men's Bible Study on Romans, Wednesday, July 29, 7 p.m., at John Unruh's farm. All are welcome. Bring your own chair, bible, work book.
~Nate Ashley & John Unruh

Red Cross blood drive – Aug. 10, 1-6 pm, at Goessel Mennonite Church. Red Cross is testing ALL donated blood for COVID-19 antibodies. Donors will be notified of their results, which will indicate if they have been exposed to the COVID-19 and therefore developed antibodies. (Red Cross is not testing to diagnosis illness.) Sign up to donate at redcrossblod.org or call Rosi (356-2418) or Nancy (367-2610) for assistance.

Conference Announcements

Mennonite Central Committee: Support MCC and celebrate MCC's centennial with a new shirt, hoodie, tea towel, bag or hat! Check out this online store set up by the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale to place your order today (pssst, it's never too early to start Christmas shopping!). Visit wearatomic.com/product-category/mcc/ and start shopping to support MCC!

Mennonite Church USA:

--Consider being an MVS participant for the 2020-2021 MVS year! Join a community, serve, and plug into your neighborhood and local congregation. Visit MennoniteMission.net/MVS to learn more and apply!

Everence will host a Social Security and retirement income planning webinar, on Tues., Aug. 11 at 6:30 p.m. Attendees will learn about Social Security strategies, risks that can impact retirement savings and strategies to help income last throughout retirement. The workshop is free. Register: call 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or email central.kansas@everence.com.

Do you have skills with a sewing machine? If so, you can help provide a safer campus for our students, faculty, and staff at Bethel College by making masks. You can drop masks off at Thresher Shop in Schultz Student Center, or send them to: Masks for Threshers, Bethel College Advancement Office, 300 E. 27th St. North Newton, KS 67117. If sewing isn't your thing, you can donate to the Masks for Threshers fund.

Gratitude

I am grateful for....

~ rain and some cooler weather amidst the heat and humidity of summer.

~ Western District Conference, for the leaders, members and congregations working together to Witness & invite others to faith in Jesus Christ, Dwell in just & loving relationships, and Connect to God's mission in the world.

Offering and Worship

July 19, 2020

Offering	=	\$ 8,940.00
Cars at drive-in worship	=	40
Worship Link Views	=	60
<i>Views may include more than one person</i>		
Worship Mailings	=	26
Faith Formation Zoom	=	approx. 22



Tabor Mennonite Church

Prelude: 9:15am
Fellowship Time: 10:30am
891 Chisholm Trail, Newton, KS 67114
Phone: 620-367-2318
email: tabor@tabormennonite.org
Website: www.tabormennonite.org

Worship: 9:30am
Faith Formation: 10:45am

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