



MDS REPORTING

Today we will hear from Cleo Koop and Pastor Luke Unruh as they share about their recent trip to Southern Texas with Mennonite Disaster Service. MDS provides new houses for those who have experienced disaster, but when does it become home? Let us ponder this together this morning.

WORSHIP

- PRELUDE Pastor Katherine Goerzen
- WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Cleo Koop
- LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP AND RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL
- *CALL TO WORSHIP *Ruth 1:1-2*
- *GATHERING PRAYER
- *GATHERING HYMNS No. 22
"What Is This Place"
"Let Us Build a House" No. 36
- *PASSING THE PEACE *The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.*
- OFFERING OUR GIFTS
- CHILDREN'S STORY Duane Duerksen
- *HYMN OF PREPARATION *"A Voice Was Heard in Ramah"* No. 278
- MDS SHARING Pastor Luke Unruh and Cleo Koop
from Matthew 2:13-23
- *HYMN OF RESPONSE *"My Hope is Built"* No. 621
- CONGREGATIONAL SHARING & PRAYER Pastor Katherine Goerzen
- *SENDING HYMN *"We, Your People, Sing Your Praises"* No. 849
- *SENDING BLESSING
- *POSTLUDE

**Please stand if you are able*

Sunday, March 6

Welcome to worship at Tabor Mennonite Church! Come together to worship God and experience God's love. A special welcome is extended to all visitors.

9:30 am: Worship
 YouTube Livestream (also available following the service).
<https://youtu.be/BJD1YRJcGv0>

10:45 am: Faith Formation
 Option for Adults: Webinar - Membership Guidelines Resolution, in the sanctuary.

This Week

- Mon, March 7, 5:30 pm** - Faithful Fitness.
7 pm - Men's Bible Study.
- Tues, March 8, 9 am** - Staff meeting.
6:30 pm - Pastor Search Committee meeting.
- Wed, March 9, 5:45 pm** - Wednesday Evening supper & programs.
Webinar - Membership Guidelines Resolution, in the Conference Room.
- Sat, March 12, 1-5pm** - Tabor Mennonite Women Comforter Tying.
See announcement for details.

Next Sunday, March 13

Reminder: Daylight Savings Time begins. Spring forward one hour.

9:30 am: Next Sunday is the Second Sunday in Lent. The theme is Seeking God's Ways and the topic is "From Fear to Compassion". Scriptures for reflection will be Luke 13:31-25; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; and Psalm 27 and Pastor Katherine will be preaching.

10:45 am: Faith Formation. Brian Bisbee from New Hope Shelter will share about the ministry of New Hope. All Junior Youth, High School Youth and Adults are welcome to attend.

4:00 pm: Chapel at Bethesda. Bethesda will once again be offering chapel services. If you are interested in helping provide music or input with this or any future chapel service, please speak with Pastor Katherine. Thanks!

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE			
February 27, 2022			
Offering	= \$ 7,849.00	Attendance	= 107
Adult FF	= \$ 15.00	Attendance	= 40
Jr. FF	= \$ 17.93	Attendance	= 41
Worship Link Views		=	40

Prayer Requests

The following requests were shared on Sunday, February 27.

- ★ Pastor Katherine shared on behalf of Ruby Graber asking for prayers for her sister Mary who is facing serious health issues. Lord, hear our prayers for healing.
- ★ Pastor Katherine shared that Diane Loewen would be having surgery this past Monday to reset both of her nasal bones. Thanks be to God for a productive surgery. Lord, hear our prayers for continued healing and recovery.
- ★ Myron Voth shared the joys of his week as he was reminiscing through documents relating to Tabor's generous giving for the Building Project. Thanks be to God!
- ★ Myron also requested continued prayer for Ukraine and asked us to consider how we can work to wage peace by offering humanitarian aid through MCC. Lord, hear our prayers.

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ our Pastor Search Team as they begin the process of discerning possible candidates for the pastor position. Lord, hear our prayers for listening ears, wisdom, and clarity.
- ★ Tabor Mission Partners Joseph and Rachel Givens and their children Elijah and Micaiah. The first phase of their work in France will take place at end of March through early April. Pray for safe travels and good experiences as they are introduced to the work they will be a part of and as they meet the people they will work with and those they will serve. Lord, hear our prayers.
- ★ the Caring Quilt is with Diane Loewen following a fall. Lord, hear our prayers for healing.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for WDC congregational delegates planning to attend the special session of MC USA assembly in May, and for the Holy Spirit's guidance in this week's zoom forum hosted by WDC in preparation for the assembly.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: MMN praises God for the safety of its personnel and partners in Burkina Faso during January's coup d'état. Pray for peace, both on the national level and in the increasing number of communities impacted by Islamist militant violence. May Mennonite churches witness to God's peace.

Remember to Praise God for:

- ★ The work of Mennonite Disaster Service! Thanks be to God!

Congregational Announcements

Card Shower: Evie Schmidt will be turning 80 on March 13. Help Evie celebrate her birthday by sending her cards and good wishes! Evie Schmidt, Bethesda Home, P.O. Box 37, Goessel, Kansas 67053.

The Covid Task Team requests your participation in the survey that you will have received via email, or you can pick up a paper copy and return it to Gayle Funk's mailbox. The results of the survey will help us determine how we best meet the desires of the congregation in regards to Covid protocol. It should only take you a few minutes to complete. Thank you for your time!

Tabor Church Wellness: The 2022 wellness challenge has begun and includes Bible reading and fitness challenges for this year's goals! You can pick up a flier with details and a tracking sheet from the wellness mailbox or print the attached flier from last week's bulletin email. Contact Kevin Nickel with any questions. Good luck!

Tabor Mennonite Women will have a comforter tying event in the Hospitality Hall on Saturday, March 12, 1-5 pm. Come to tie comforters for Mennonite Central Committee relief. You may also bring snacks to share throughout the afternoon.

TMW will also be collecting sewing kits for MCC supported programs that teach sewing or tailoring and provides the tools to make and mend clothing or to begin a business. *Anyone may donate supplies and place them in the basket in the foyer.* You will find a list of items on cards below the mailboxes in the foyer.

Summer Camps: Registration for children/youth summer camps are now open for Camp Mennoscah and Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp. Tabor Education Co. will once again offer \$50 scholarships for camp registrations. Please sign up on the bulletin board to receive your reimbursement.

MC USA Special Assembly: If you are planning to be a part of the table talk discussions to help delegates discern how to vote for the 4 MCUSA resolutions at the assembly in May, please participate in the book study or read the book *Oriented to Faith* AND/OR watch the 4 MCUSA webinars on each of the resolutions. For more information on the resolutions, and to access the webinars, see website: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/special-delegate-session-22/>. If you have questions, contact one of the pastors or deacons.

Mennonite Heritage Museum: Please join us for the 2022 Heritage Dinner, Friday, March 25, meal starts serving at 6:30p.m. at the Tabor Mennonite Church Hospitality Hall. Following the meal, Ilona Abrahams will present the program: Groceries, Dry Goods, Hardware, and Beer: Exploring the Timeline of the Grocery Store in Goessel. Ticket price: \$50 per person. (Ages 12 and under:\$15). For first-time attendee: \$25 per person. Contact the museum by Monday, March 21, to reserve your event ticket. 620-367-8200 or email: goesselmuseum@gmail.com
Thank you for your support.

Where have all the Pastors Gone? - March 25 - 26, Hesston Mennonite Church and online. A Weekend College event presented by Hesston's Center for Anabaptist Leadership and Learning (CALL) program, the seminar will explore strategies to encourage discernment and development of calls to leadership within our congregations. Discuss barriers to the pastoral call and work at strategies to remove those barriers. Explore ways the church can change to make the pastor role more attractive. Online and in-person options available. Learn more and register at hesston.edu/weekendcollege. To receive a group discount, please contact the Tabor Church office if you plan to attend this event.

Rejoice! There are still a few of the Spring issue of *Rejoice!* available on the table in the foyer. This devotional is provided by Tabor's Christian Education Committee for anyone who would like to have a copy.

Conference Announcements

Mennonite Church USA: Mennonite Education Agency has released its free Lent at Home 2022 worship guide and calendar for download. The annual guide provides options for individuals and households to follow daily or weekly rituals, which include guided Scripture readings, prayers and special activities for the Lenten season. Download it here: mennoniteusa.org/lentathome.

Western District Conference invites pastors, congregational leaders and delegates for the upcoming Special Session of Mennonite Church USA Assembly to a Zoom forum: The WDC Executive Board will host a zoom gathering on Thursday, March 10 at 7-8:30 pm for congregational delegates, pastors, and other congregational leaders, to share information and conversation to help prepare for the upcoming Special Session of Mennonite Church USA Assembly in May. Glen Guyton, Executive Director of MC USA, will be present to engage with questions from participants, and Spanish/English interpretation will be provided. Register for the zoom forum by March 8 by completing this online registration form at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSesxcq5d9-o_xG65j-2d97ShewcHielQ9jD6fmLjmg07RJELw/viewform?usp=sf_link or contact WDC at wdc@mennowdc.org or 316-283-6300. The Zoom link for the gathering will be sent in advance.

Mennonite Central Committee:

--Respond to the crisis in Ukraine: *MCC will be responding to the crisis in Ukraine through its local partners. Russian military forces have invaded the country with missiles striking major cities and casualties continuing to grow. Your prayers and donations will help partners scale up their work providing relief and trauma healing for vulnerable and displaced people. "Ukraine is experiencing major upheaval, but our partners have supplies ready to help vulnerable and displaced people," says Rebecca Hessenauer, MCC representative for Ukraine.* Donate today at mcc.org/Ukraine

--14th annual MCC Comforter Blitz: All are welcome to join the fun on March 7, 8 and 9 at the Journey Yoder Campus, one mile north of Yoder. Times are Monday and Tuesday 9-5, and Wednesday 9-4. Lunch is available by donation each day, or you may bring your own sack lunch. You may bring snacks to share. Masks are highly encouraged and plan to practice social distancing. This event is hosted by Kansas Friends of MCC, to make good quality, beautiful comforters for MCC to send for warmth, comfort, and love all around the world.

--Impact 2022: Do you care about helping MCC make an impact in the U.S. and around the world? If so, we want to listen to you. Your input can help fulfill MCC's desire to find the best ways of responding to basic human needs and working for peace and justice. Share your ideas in this short survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MCCImpact2022-Media>. Thank you!

Mennonite Disaster Service:

--Spring is coming! Stay informed about spring/summer opportunities including the Family Program and Summer Youth Program. For any questions or further information, call 800-241-8111 or email volunteer@mds.org.

--MDS is hiring! If you want to make a difference and you thrive in an exciting, fast-paced disaster response environment, consider one of our openings at Mennonite Disaster Service. Learn more on our website: <https://mds.org/employment/>

Camp Mennoscah:

--Summer Youth Camp Registration Open! We will build on the Rock! Register online.

--Cooks needed for Summer Youth Camps! Cooks need only willing hands. Contact Camp Mennoscah for available weeks.

--Scrapbook and Crafts Retreat March 18-20! There is only one retreat in spring and only one in fall. Cropping and crafting will happen in the Dining Hall and lodging will be in the Retreat Center.

Camp Mennoscah Contact Information:

Phone: 620-297-3290

Website: www.campmennoscah.org

Email: olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org or office@campmennoscah.org

Newton Et Cetera Shop invites you to become a volunteer! Help us to share God's love with all creation by volunteering in clothing, clerking, recycling, linens, housewares or one of our other departments. If you'd like to join us, please attend one of our upcoming volunteer orientations to tell us what interests you: Thursday 3/24/22 6-7 PM and Saturday 3/26/22 11A-noon. We hope to see you soon!

Record your family's births, marriages and deaths for free, using Mennonite Church USA Archives' vital records form on the Archives home page here: mennoniteusa.org/historical-archives/

Bel Canto Singers Home Concert: *Deep Peace* - March 22, 7 p.m., Hesston Mennonite Church. Hesston College Bel Canto Singers will travel east for a spring break tour with performances in Virginia, Pennsylvania and Ohio. The program is inspired by this year's theme verse at Hesston College, Ephesians 4:2-3, in which Paul calls Christians to lift each other up in community. A full itinerary of their tour, beginning on March 12, along with live stream link of the home concert can be found at www.hesston.edu/music.

Mennonite World Conference: How will we gather for Assembly 17? The Executive Committee has opted for limited on-site attendees and many options for online attendees at the hybrid Assembly 17. MWC Assembly is hosted by the three Indonesian Anabaptist-Mennonite synods in Central Java, Indonesia, July 5-10, 2022. MWC Assembly 17 in Indonesia will welcome 700 on-site participants with the option of additional Indonesian guests for opening night and closing service. Due to COVID-19 regulations, 700 is the number currently possible. Registration for online participation opened in December 2021. Registration for on-site Assembly will start March 8, 2022 at 22:00 Western Indonesian time.

The Berlin Exodus (Berlin Escape) in 1947, is the theme of an evening presentation on Wednesday, March 23, at 7:00pm at First Mennonite Church in Hutchinson. This event marks the 75th anniversary of the moving of 1,200 Ukrainian Mennonite refugees located in Berlin through the Russian occupied territory of Berlin and East Germany, to a waiting ship in Bremerhaven, West Germany. MCC worker, Peter Dyck, orchestrated the escape during the last days of World War II, working with the American military, the Dutch government and the country of Paraguay in this highly secretive venture. Calvin Buller will lead the evening presentation on March 23, which will include the playing of an audio recording with Peter Dyck telling the story in his own words. First Mennonite Church (FMC) is located at 52 Rambler Road in Hutchinson. Childcare will be offered for nursery through 5th grade children. FMC recommends that masks be worn in the building.

AMBS: Scholarships available! Ready to pursue seminary studies? Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana, offers generous need-based financial aid, church matching grants and scholarships for students learning either on campus or at a distance. Apply for merit-based scholarships by March 15 and ministry scholarships by April 1. ams.edu/scholarships

Everence® will hold an informative Medicare webinar on Tuesday, March 8, starting at 6:30 p.m. To register contact Everence at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale April 8 & 9 at the KS State Fairgrounds, Hutchinson

--CHILDREN's COIN Offering was \$91.42. THANKS Tabor, and keep collecting those coins and pocket change.

--Last Sunday Emil and Vicki Schmidt brought a quilt that Wilma Schmidt pieced and Alice Funk had quilted. Kim Funk brought a baby/child's quilt that she had made. Leann took them into the MCC Center so they can be pictured in the Quilt Buyers Guide.

--We are requesting that you start bringing the items you are hand-crafting for the sale to be displayed on tables in the northeast corner of the Hospitality Hall. Please include a description where helpful. Items too large for tables can be displayed on the floor.

--There will be Labeled Boxes to bring items for Quilters Corner; and the Children's Auction.

--Tabor 5K Walkers/Runners so far are Lee and Phyllis Goertzen; Michael, Lina and Heath Unruh, Elton and Denise Nickel; Les Goerzen. PLEASE let us know if you are planning on walking/running.

--PLEASE help with the Pre-Sale Expense Budget. Continue putting checks in Jerry and Leann Toews church mailbox. We are getting there . . . ALL gifts are helpful. THANKS.

--website: kansas.mccsale.org Check it out. Also on Facebook.



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