

# Tabor Mennonite Church

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## WONDERFUL GRACE OF JESUS GOD'S GRACE TO US

This Sunday, we begin a worship series on the theme of Grace. This morning we will reflect on the story of Jesus appearing to his disciples following the resurrection. Though one had betrayed him, one had denied him, and many had hidden in fear, Jesus' first words to them were, "Peace be with you." In this Easter season, we remember and are grateful for God's amazing grace towards us.

### WORSHIP

PRELUDE Deloris Schmidt

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Duane Duerksen

RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP "Spirit" -Harbor  
Hesston College International Chorale

GATHERING PRAYER

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" No. 88  
with the International Chorale

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

OFFERING OUR GIFTS "Lerchengesang" -Mendelssohn International Chorale

CHILDREN'S STORY Janna Duerksen

HYMN "Amazing Grace!" No. 163

SCRIPTURE READING John 20:19-23 Kim Funk  
*The Word of God for the people of God ~ Thanks be to God!*

SERMON Pastor Katherine Goerzen

WORSHIP MUSIC "If Ye Love Me" -Tallis International Chorale  
*"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say" -Brunk, arr. Dengler*  
*"Cornerstone" -Kirchner*

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING & PRAYER Pastor Katherine Goerzen

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "Wonderful Grace of Jesus" No. 170

\*BENEDICTION

\*SENDING SONG "Shine the Light" -Wise International Chorale

\*POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand if you are able*

## Sunday, May 1

Welcome to worship at Tabor Mennonite Church! Come together to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Elton and Denise Nickel. A special welcome is extended to all visitors.

A special welcome to the Hesston College International Choral under the direction of Dr. Russell Adrian.

**9:30 am:** Worship  
YouTube Livestream (also available following the service).  
<https://youtu.be/5WZEBWozuFo>

**10:45 am:** Faith Formation. Adults: Table Talks in the Hospitality Hall.

**11:45 am:** TMYF will serve a Taco Bar to raise funds to help with expenses for the youth service trip this summer. Donations will be gratefully accepted.

**7:00 pm:** Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus at Presser Hall, Bethany College, Lindsborg, Kansas.

### This Week

**Mon, May 2, 5:30 pm** - Faithful Fitness.  
**7 pm** - Men's Bible Study: 1 Corinthians.

**Tues, May 3, 9 am** - Staff meeting.  
**7pm** - Church Council.

**Wed, May 5 - Tues, May 10** - Serve at New Hope Shelter.

**Sat, May 7, 8 am - Noon** - Spring Work Day.

### Next Sunday, May 8

**9:30 am:** Next Sunday is Mother's Day. The theme is God's Grace and we will focus on "Grace for Ourselves". Scripture for reflection will be Luke 10:38-42 and Pastor Katherine will be preaching.

**10:45 am:** Faith Formation.

## Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ Tabor, as well as for all congregations across MCUSA, as we anticipate thoughtful discussion and prayerful discernment on each of the four resolutions to be voted on at the Assembly in May. Lord, hear our prayers.
- ★ our Pastor Search Team as they continue their work, and our congregation during this time of transition. Lord hear our prayers for wisdom and your continued presence.
- ★ The caring quilt is with Jim Schmidt following knee replacement. The Children's quilt is with Michael, Lina and Heath Unruh.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for congregational and conference delegates in WDC preparing to join others for discernment at the Mennonite Church USA special assembly May 27-30 in Kansas City.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: MMN joins Marlene Wall, president of LCC International University in Lithuania, in requesting prayer for faculty and staff, who are caring for both students and refugees from Ukraine. Ukrainian refugees have traveled about 700 miles to flee the violence from the Russian invasion. Pray that God's people around the world will contribute to this ministry.

Remember to Praise God for:

- ★ The Wonderful Grace of Jesus, the gift of the Holy Spirit, and the companions who journey with us.

## Thanks

We would like to extend a huge thank you on behalf of all the Goessel Community Junior Highers for your support at our fundraiser meal last Sunday. It was fun to see our junior highers working together and the fellowship among everyone there after a year off. This ministry wouldn't be possible if not for all of you. Please keep us in your prayers as we anticipate and plan for Camp 412 in a month! Thank you for supporting our youth!  
~Michelle Unruh & Laura Unrau

## Congregational Announcements

### Are you interested in working with MDS this summer?

This summer, our congregation has the wonderful opportunity to participate in a multi-generational service trip to Jennings, LA with Mennonite Disaster Service. This service trip will be June 17 through 25, and will also include a visit New Orleans. If you are interested in serving with MDS alongside youth and adults from Tabor, please let either Cleo Koop or Pastor Katherine know. Thanks!

**New Hope Shelter:** Tabor's week to volunteer at New Hope Shelter is May 4 - 10. This is for the evening shifts each day from 5 - 11 p m. If you are able to take a shift, please let Barb Abrahams know. If you would be willing to help prepare or provide food for a meal, please contact Shelley Buller.

**Work Day:** Please plan to attend the spring work day on Saturday, May 7 from 8 am until noon. There will be indoor and outdoor projects including landscaping, cemetery work, tree trimming, maintenance items, and cleaning. Everyone is welcome and refreshments are appreciated! Contact a trustee with any questions.

**The Food Pantry** now has an upright freezer which offers a new opportunity for this ministry. We will be accepting donations of frozen meat. *Please call the church before making your donation of frozen items.* Any donation of non-perishable food items are always welcome to help keep our shelves stocked. Items most needed at this time are canned fruits, tomatoes, mixed vegetables, cream soups, beans, hamburger helper, scalloped or mashed potatoes, sloppy joe mix, mac 'n cheese, pudding, cookie or brownie mixes, as well as laundry and dish soap. Non perishable items may be left in the foyer by the church office door or placed on the table in the food pantry room in the basement.

### Preparing for MC USA Special Assembly:

--**Table talk discussions:** Faith Formation May 1 to help delegates discern how to vote for the 4 MCUSA resolutions at the assembly in May.

--For more **information on the resolutions**, and to access the webinars: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/special-delegate-session-22/>.

### Upcoming:

May 27-30: Junior High Camp 412

June 1: TMW Salad Supper

June 6-10: Vacation Bible School

## Conference Announcements

**2022 WDC Annual Assembly:** What's God doing through our churches in WDC? Dianne Garcia, Pastor of Family Ministry, San Antonio Mennonite Church, will preach and share stories of their congregation's ministry with immigrants at WDC Annual Assembly. Heidi Regier Kreider, WDC Conference Minister, will preach and share other stories of how we are "United in Purpose, Together in Love" in our conference at Assembly, July 29-31, Camp Copass, Denton, TX. Assembly registration opens soon. Join us!

**Mennonite Church USA:** On Monday, May 2 at 8 pm, join Mennonite Church USA Executive Director Glen Guyton and guests for a webinar on ways that we can support the Special Session of the Delegate Assembly and our participating church leaders through individual and communal prayer and fasting. Register here: [mennoniteusa.org/prayer-webinar-registration](https://www.mennoniteusa.org/prayer-webinar-registration)

### **Camp Mennoscah:**

--The theme for Summer Youth Camps is "What's in a Name?" Come to Camp Mennoscah and discover how God knows us beyond any name we are called. Be called to be a child of God! All weeks of camp still have openings. Sign up at <https://campmennoscah.campbrainregistration.com/>

--May 21 Work & Play Day at Camp Mennoscah! Projects will start at 8:30 am at the maintenance shed. Both indoor and outdoor work available. Bring your water bottle and lunch. Grab a group of friends and make a day of it! Contact Camp Mennoscah at [olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org) or 620-297-3290 to register.

**Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp:** Memorial Day Work and Play Retreat, May 27-30, beginning at 7:00pm on Friday and concluding Monday morning. Visit [www.rmmc.org/work-and-play-retreats/](http://www.rmmc.org/work-and-play-retreats/) or email [info@rmmc.org](mailto:info@rmmc.org) to let us know you, your family or your friends can help for all or part of the weekend.

### **Mennonite Central Committee:**

--Soon you will notice changes at the MCC building in North Newton, Kansas. Construction will address necessary repairs and updates to make the space more welcoming and safer for everyone as we strive to be good stewards of the MCC building and land. We ask for your patience and your prayers as we navigate continuing to do the work of MCC even during this construction process. If you have questions please email [centralstates@mcc.org](mailto:centralstates@mcc.org) or call 316.283.2720.

--Join the MCC Central States team! We currently have the following openings. Please contact [krystalklaassen@mcc.org](mailto:krystalklaassen@mcc.org) with any questions.

**\*Young Adult Program Coordinator** – Plan, facilitate and recruit for young adult programming in the MCC Central States region. This includes the International Volunteer Exchange Program, Summer Service Worker program, the Serving and Learning Together program, Seed, and other expanding opportunities for young adults to join with the work of MCC. [Check out all the details and apply today!](#)

**\*Material Resources Center Volunteer Coordinator** – The MRC in North Newton, hosts volunteers of all ages working together to support the mission of MCC. Primarily, the part time Volunteer Coordinator will welcome, host, educate, assist and supervise the daily volunteers as well as receive donations in the MRC. Please visit [mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings](http://mcc.org/get-involved/serve/openings) for more information and to apply.

**Mennonite Disaster Service:** Save the Date - Region 3 Annual Meeting September 16th and 17th. The meeting theme is "MDS - Beacon of Hope" and will be in a hybrid fashion (local and virtual) at Kalispell, Montana. You will have opportunities to meet/greet some of the MDS binational staff and learn about MDS activities. Online registration is at <https://tinyurl.com/2022preregistration>. The registration fee of \$25 to cover meal costs will be collected on-site when you register.

**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 call us at 316.283.9461 or attend one of our upcoming volunteer orientations to tell us what interests you: Saturday 4/23/22, 11 am-noon or Thursday 5/19/22, 6-7 pm. We hope to hear from you soon!

### **Bethel College:**

--Sun., May 1 – Masterworks concert at Bethel College, 3 p.m., featuring the Bethel College Oratorio Chorus, orchestra and soloists performing *Requiem* by Mozart, and *Gloria* and *For the Beauty of the Earth* by John Rutter, directed by Dr. William Eash; Memorial Hall.

--Sat., May 14 – Spring choral concert, including pre-Europe tour program by the Bethel College Concert Choir, 4 pm, Memorial Hall. Please note that this is a change in date and time from some previously printed sources.

**The Hesston College Chorale** under the direction of Dr. Russell Adrian and Ken Rodgers will present a music program entitled "Shine the Light" at churches in the Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland and France May 17 to June 7, 2022. The choir will perform a **send-off concert at 7 pm. on Friday, May 13** at Hesston Mennonite Church. A free-will offering will be taken to help offset tour expenses.

**Everence®** will hold a Medicare and Social Security workshop Tuesday, May 10 at 6:30 pm and will include, when and where to sign up for Medicare, what Medicare covers, plus an explanation of Medicare Parts A, B, C, and D. The in-person workshop will be held at the Everence office: 3179 N. Main St. Suite 1B, North Newton. Those interested in attending should contact the Everence office at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or [central.kansas@everence.com](mailto:central.kansas@everence.com).

**Hesston College Chorale  
2022 Europe Tour**

Russell Adrian, conductor  
Ken Rodgers, tour leader  
Karen Unruh, accompanist

Soprano

Anna Banman	So.	Lenexa, KS
Bethany Masters	So.	Mount Eaton, OH
Kelly Miller	So.	Archbold, OH
Alyssa Nolt	So.	Dalton, OH
Miles Rash	So.	Newton, KS
Rachel Teeter	So.	Hesston, KS

Alto

Meg Beyer	So.	Harrisonburg, VA
Alyssa Burkholder	So.	Goessel, KS
Esmi Hernandez	Alumni	Newton, KS
Natalie Ladd	Alumni	Hesston, KS
Kara Longenecker	Jr.	Harrisonburg, VA
Sadie Oesch	Fr.	Caldwell, ID
Ginny Miller	Fr.	Harrisonburg, VA
Rachel Weaver	Jr.	Harrisonburg, VA

Tenor

Luke Allison	Jr.	Freeman, SD
Luke Huyard	Fr.	Harrisonburg, VA
Isaac Tice	So.	Buhler, KS
Jack Shingler	Jr.	Kidron, OH

Bass

Sam Groff	Fr.	Harrisonburg, VA
Jesse Kanagy	Fr.	Lancaster, PA
Matthew Manickam	So.	Hesston, KS
Caleb Oesch	Alumni	Caldwell, ID
Aidan Swartzendruber	So.	Henderson, NE
Toby Yoder	Jr.	Harrisonburg, VA

**OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE**

**April 24, 2022**

Offering	= \$ 3,615.00	Attendance	=	92
Adult FF	= \$ 16.00	Attendance	=	28
Jr. FF	= \$ 13.00	Attendance	=	28

Worship Link Views = 44

BECAUSE OF YOUR GENEREOSITY . . .

Tabor is able to support our Mennonite colleges. Budget lines include Hesston College, Bethel College, Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary and Anabaptist Biblical Institute (IBA). Tabor also supports our college students with scholarships which are also a part of our budget.



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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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