



Seeking God Together

CRYING OUT

This morning we will be reflecting on the practice of lament. Nearly half of all of the psalms include words of lament, reminding us that we can pour out any or all of our emotions before God. Job also poured out his pain before God. Though God’s response to Job indicates that there is no guarantee that our questions about suffering will be answered to our satisfaction, God never abandoned Job, just as God never abandons us, even in the midst of suffering and uncertainty. God is faithful, and God hears our cries for help in our suffering.

WORSHIP

- PRELUDE Susan Merrifield
- WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Venita Schroeder
- RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP
- *CALL TO WORSHIP *based on Psalm 130*
- *GATHERING HYMN *“In the Morning When I Rise”* No. 499
- *GATHERING PRAYER
- *HYMN OF PRAYER *“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”* No. 610
- *PASSING THE PEACE *The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.*
- OFFERING OUR GIFTS
- CHILDREN’S STORY Eunice Nickel
- WORSHIP MUSIC Isabelle Alderfer
- SCRIPTURE READING *Psalm 13; Job 2:11-13* Peter Goerzen
The Word of God for the people of God. ~ Thanks be to God!
- SERMON Pastor Katherine Goerzen
- *HYMN OF RESPONSE *“Nothing is Lost on the Breath of God”* No. 653
- SERVICE ADVENTURE SHARING Dawson Duerksen
- CONGREGATIONAL SHARING & PRAYER
- *SENDING HYMN *“Healer of Our Every Ill”* No. 644
- *BENEDICTION
- *POSTLUDE **Please stand if you are able*

Sunday, August 7

Welcome to worship at Tabor Mennonite Church! Come together to worship God and experience God’s love. This morning you were greeted by Keith and Barb Banman. A special welcome is extended to all visitors.

Spiritual Practice: This week you are invited to pray out loud using one of the lament psalms (such as Psalm 13, 22, 77, 88, 130) or to write a lament psalm of your own, pouring out your pain before God knowing that God can handle any emotion or frustration we may bring. Or if words are hard to find, find a space to simply name your petitions, your grief, your pain, and your worries to God, remembering that the Holy Spirit is interceding on our behalf with sighs too deep for words (Romans 8:26).

9:30 am: Worship
YouTube Livestream (also available following the service).
<https://youtu.be/Yv1alkJL67c>

10:45 am: Finger Food Fellowship. Regular Faith Formation classes will not meet.

This Week

Bulletin announcements are due Thursday mornings.

Mon, Aug. 8 - 5:30 pm - Faithful Fitness.
7:00 pm - Christian Education meeting.

Tues, Aug. 9 - 9 am - Staff meeting.
7 pm - Church Council meeting.

Wed, Aug. 10, 7 pm - Men’s Bible Study.

Thurs, Aug. 11, 7 pm - Worship Council meeting.

Next Sunday, August 14

9:30 am: Next Sunday we continue our worship series, Seeking God Together and the theme will be “Studying the Word.” Scripture for reflection is Deuteronomy 6 and Peter Goerzen will be preaching. Second grade children will also be presented with Bibles during the service.

10:45 am: Faith Formation for everyone.

Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ all who are coping with the loss of loved ones and devastation from the recent flooding in Kentucky, wildfires in California and other disasters across the country and worldwide. Lord, hear our prayers.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for Camp Mennoscah as it concludes summer youth camps, and give thanks for WDC campers, leaders, volunteers and supporters who have participated in camp this summer.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Deb Byler, serving with MMN, was invited to Guatemala five years ago to train women for leadership positions in the Kekchi Mennonite Church. Praise God for the women who are currently providing leadership. Pray for them, and pray that God will give Deb the wisdom and energy to do what is essential before concluding her assignment next month.

Remember to Praise God for:

- ★ Western District Conference and a chance to gather to discern, fellowship, and worship together with members from across WDC.

Congregational Announcements

Wednesday evenings at Tabor: We will be having a meeting on August 15 at 7pm to do some brainstorming about some idea's that we have for the Wednesday evening children's programming for this next year. We would like to involve some sort of a quiz bowl format as we learn the books of the Bible and why the Bible is important. If you are interested in helping teach or helping with the quiz bowl part of the evenings, please contact Dale Alderfer or join us on the 15th.

Women's Ensemble: I am planning on organizing a women's ensemble that will sing for the service on August 28. The rehearsals will be on August 17 and August 24 (if a second rehearsal is needed) at 7:15 pm at the church. Older elementary or high school girls are also welcome to attend. I will be wearing a mask for rehearsals, but you are free to choose whether or not that works for you. Please join the fun!

~Marcene Entz

Mennograss: Plan to join us in the Tabor Church Park. Supper will be served beginning at 5:30 pm and music will be from 6-8 pm. Michelle Unruh and friends, Eric Schrag and friends, and The Flannelbacks will be performing. Please bring your lawn chairs. We look forward to seeing you there.

Mentor program: We will be needing several adults who are interested in being part of the mentoring program here at Tabor. Please pray about this opportunity to share your life experiences with a youth as they go through high school and into life after that. Having an adult mentor can be life changing for a young person, hopefully it will be the start of a friendship that will last a life time. For more info, please contact Dale Alderfer or Sarahanne Unruh.

Tabor Service Sunday and MCC School Kits: Planning for Tabor's Outreach Service Sunday on September 18 is happening! School kits are in high demand, especially this time of year. We will continue to collect supplies for these kits and children will have the opportunity to assemble these kits on our Service Sunday. *You may place your donations for school kits in the basket next to the church office. Shopping lists are available on the shelf beneath the mailboxes.* Watch for more details regarding Service Sunday in the coming weeks.

Upcoming:

August 14 - Second graders receive Bibles.
August 15 - Wednesday evening planning meeting.
August 20-21 - Pastor Candidating weekend.
August 28 - Mennograss.
September 17 - Flatlander Bicycle Ride for MCC water project.
September 18 - Service Sunday at Tabor.
Harvest Giving Walk.

Conference Announcements

Western District Conference: Thank You!! - A BIG thank you to all who attended (in-person or virtually), supported and contributed to our 2022 WDC Annual Assembly this past weekend at Camp Copass in Denton, TX. It could not have happened without all those who volunteered their time and shared their experiences with us throughout the weekend. We hope everyone enjoyed the weekend and had safe travels home. If you are still interested in donating to help cover assembly costs, you can do so [here](#).

Mennonite World Conference: Be sure to check out the highlights of last month's Mennonite World Conference 2022 Assembly in Indonesia on this highlight video: <https://mwc-cmm.org/resources/mwc-indonesia-2022-highlight-video> Other recap videos are also available at this link.

Mennonite Church USA: Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission (AIMM), a partner of Mennonite Mission Network, will host a gathering to share ministry updates on Sunday, August 21, at 6:30 pm at First Mennonite Church, Newton. Co-executive Coordinator John Fumana and his wife Lucie from Democratic Republic of Congo are planning to be present. For more information contact aimm@aimmint.org or 574-535-0077.

Camp Mennoscah: Work & Play Day on August 20! There are projects to complete and plenty to do after a busy, fun summer. Let us know you're coming so we can be prepared for you! Bring your lunch and a water bottle. The day will start at 8:30 am at the maintenance shed. To sign up, contact Olivia at 620-297-3290 or olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org. Want to volunteer either before or after August 20? Call us!

Mennonite Central Committee Thrift Shops:

What exactly can a bike do for a person? Volunteers at the Et Cetera Thrift Shop in Newton, Kansas fix donated bikes before pricing them for sale, and some are earmarked to be donated back into the community. Did you know there are more than 40 MCC Thrift shops across the U.S.? Celebrate National Thrift Shop Day on August 17 and every day by shopping, donating or volunteering at an MCC Thrift store near you.

Life Enrichment returns to Bethel College with the start of the fall semester – but It will be *on a different day*. Life Enrichment resumes *Thursday*, Aug. 25, and will be on Thursdays thereafter. Place and time remain the same: Krehbiel Auditorium, 9:30 a.m. See <https://www.bethelks.edu/academics/convocation-lectures/life-enrichment> for more information, or watch for a brochure in the mail if you haven't already received one.

Everence® will hold its popular Medicare workshop at its office in North Newton on Tuesday, Aug 9 at 6:30 pm. Topics 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:center.kansas@everence.com).

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE			
July 31, 2022			
Offering	= \$ 6,380.31	Attendance	= 95
Adult FF	= \$ 15.85	Attendance	= 22
Jr. FF	= \$ 3.00	Attendance	= 17
Special Offering: Mission Partners		=	\$1,064.00
Worship Link Views		=	35

BECAUSE OF YOUR GENEROSITY . . .

Tabor has a library and new books are added every year! A portion of the Education Commission budget is designated for the library. Check out the Tabor Church Library and spend a hot summer afternoon, in a cool spot, with a good book!



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