



SUPPORTING ONE ANOTHER

Welcome to Tabor on this World Communion Sunday, as we gather to celebrate the Lord's Supper with our sisters and brothers from around the world! We are grateful to Sara Dick, General Manager of the Newton Et Cetera Shop, who is bringing this morning's message.

WORSHIP

- PRELUDE Michelle Unruh
- WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS James Goerzen
- RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP
- *CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 121* No. 109
- *GATHERING HYMN *"And I Will Raise You Up"* No. 641
- *GATHERING PRAYER
- *HYMN *"Here in This Place"* No. 10
- *PASSING THE PEACE *The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.*
- OFFERING OUR GIFTS
- WORSHIP MUSIC *"Honey in the Rock"* -Graves Men's Quartet
"Since Jesus Came Into My Heart" -Gabriel
- CHILDREN'S STORY Kara Swartzendruber
- SCRIPTURE READING *Genesis 12:10-20* Shelley Buller
Matthew 3:13-23
The Word of God for the people of God. ~ Thanks be to God!
- SERMON *"Push/Pull/Welcome!"* Sara Dick
- *HYMN OF RESPONSE *"For We Are Strangers No More"* No. 409
- CELEBRATING WORLD COMMUNION
- CONGREGATIONAL SHARING & PRAYER Pastor Katherine Goerzen
- *SENDING HYMN *"Lead On, O Cloud of Presence"* No. 194
- *BENEDICTION and POSTLUDE

**Please stand if you are able*

Sunday, September 25

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

Thank you to the Men's Quartet, Russell Adrian, Nathan Ashley, James Goerzen, and Peter Goerzen, for offering special music this morning.

9:30 am: Worship

YouTube Livestream (also available following the service).

https://youtu.be/Xsn_lcsbgLw

10:45 am: Faith Formation for everyone.

This Week

Bulletin announcements are due Thursday mornings.

Mon, Oct. 3, 5:30 pm - Faithful Fitness.

7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study.

Tues, Oct. 4, 9:00 am - Staff meeting.

7:00 pm - Church Council and Budget Workshop in the Hospitality Hall. The congregation is invited to attend.

Wed, Oct. 5, 9:00 am - TMW quilting & tying comforts.

5:45 pm - Wednesday Evening programs.

Supper: Baked potato bar

Next Sunday, October 9

9:30 am: Next Sunday singer-songwriter duo Herm Weaver & Vince Buckwalter will provide a musical sermon. Scripture for reflection is Psalm 147:1-7. Please see the announcement for more details about this special service.

10:45 am: Faith Formation for everyone.

5:30 pm: Faspa and Criminal Justice. Jeremy Koop will be speaking about his experience with the criminal legal system. Please see the announcement for more details.

Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ those in our congregation who are recovering from illness, recovering from or facing surgeries, grieving or facing difficulties. Lord, hear our prayers.
- ★ all who are suffering loss of loved ones, home, and livelihood due to the destruction in Florida and the east coast following hurricane Ian.

- ★ Mission Partners Joseph & Rachel Givens request pray for the following:
 - Continued French language learning.
 - For more volunteers to come.
 - They are currently without a volunteer, so they are responsible for the house on their own. Pray for peace and rest until their new volunteer arrives on October 11.
 - As autumn moves in, life will become even more miserable for the migrants. Pray for their safety and health.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for God's wisdom and strength for WDC staff members as they work to sustain ministry leaders, resource congregations and nurture church-planting partnerships.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Today, the women's leadership conference led by African American women and co-sponsored by Mennonite Women USA and MMN, concludes with worship in Elkhart, Indiana. Pray that all participants will receive new tools to work for diversity, equity and inclusion in the church.
- ★ Mennonite World Conference: Pray for solidarity, fellowship and discernment as leaders of European churches prepare to gather in person at the end of October. Praise God for the ways Mennonite organizations have cooperated across barriers to respond to the war in Ukraine and refugee crisis in Europe. Pray for their continued hospitality to refugees in their regions.
 - submitted by José Arrais, MWC regional representative for Europe

Remember to Praise God for:

- ★ Wednesday Evenings at Tabor!

Congregational Announcements

Tabor Church Wednesday Evening Programming

--Regular Wednesday Evening Programming will begin on October 5.

Fellowship Meal beginning at 5:45

Children and Youth Programming beginning at 6:15

Preschool - Grade 5 end at 7:30; Junior / Senior High end at 7:45.

--Please fill out the registration form for each of your children planning to attend at this link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfud4wpMrsLJ1rucHVbq1BdVoyL0Y4Rr4aMig2eu9oxrtLw/viewform?usp=sf_link

If you have any questions, contact the church office at 620-367-2318.

Tabor Mennonite Church is excited to host Herm & Vince on Sunday, October 9! The singer-songwriter duo will provide a musical sermon during the morning worship service. Tabor is one of two locations at which these lifelong friends will perform while they are in south central Kansas. They perform inspirational music selections on acoustic guitar and piano. Their songs come from music written long ago and brand new compositions: Americana, Sacred and Simple, and Inspirational. For more information about this musical duo, see <https://www.hermandvince.com/>

Faspas and Criminal Justice: In response to the MC USA Resolution on "Justice in the U.S. Criminal Legal System," the Christian Education Commission is hosting 2 Sunday evening Faspas in October to hear Jeremy Koop (Criminal Defense Attorney), Carrie Smith (Probation Officer), and Mark Smith (Law Enforcement Officer) share about their experiences within the criminal legal system.

Jeremy will share on October 9 and Mark and Carrie will share on October 30. Both evenings -- starting at 5:30 in the Hospitality Hall -- will include Faspas, sharing from our presenters, and a time for questions and conversation. We are grateful for this opportunity to hear their stories and reflections!

A Deacon Team position will be coming available in the new fiscal year as Lewis Unruh ends his term. If you feel a call to learn more about being a deacon or would have someone you would like to suggest for this position, please let one of the deacons or Pastor Katherine know. The job description includes: Assist the Pastors in giving spiritual guidance to the congregation through visitations, serving of communion, assisting in baptisms, preparing and overseeing the benevolence budget, and by offering support and guidance to the pastors.

The Worship and the Arts Symposium at Bethel College will focus on the new *Voices Together Hymnal*. This event will take place on November 12. See more information at: <https://www.bethelks.edu/academics/convocation-lectures/worship-arts-symposium>. Tabor is planning to do a group registration to take advantage of the group rate. If you are interested in attending this event, please let Pastor Katherine know by Sunday, October 16. Thank you!

Tabor Church Food Pantry needs groceries and welcomes donations of non-perishable food items as well as personal hygiene items and household cleaning/laundry products. **Many supplies are running low.** Donations of frozen meat in 1-2 lb. packages are also accepted. Groceries may be left by the door of the church office or on the table in the food pantry room in the basement. *For donations of frozen meat, please call the church (367-2381) to schedule a time for drop off.* Cash donations are also accepted. Thanks for your continued generosity and support of this community ministry

Request from Mission Partners, Joseph and Rachel Givens:

Donations of thermal underwear and blankets are needed for people that they care for. You may donate individually, or Faith Formation classes or small groups may wish to go together to make an online purchase through this link https://www.amazon.fr/hz/wishlist/ls/3UP2NU6M47HW0?ref=wl_share. Please donate as you feel led. For more information, please see the emailed request that was sent on September 29.

Community Bible Study at Goessel Church begins Wednesday, October 5, 7 p.m. Enter at North door.

Blood Drive: Make a difference by donating blood on October 10, between 1 - 6 pm at Goessel Church, with a single unit or a Power Red donation. Sign up for your appointment time online at redcrossblood.org. For more information contact Nancy Stucky 620-747-0081 or Rosie Reimer 620-367-2418. Thank you for helping save someone's life.

Upcoming:

October 22 - Kent Jantz Farm Sale
October 26 - Adult Choir practice begins
October 24-November 4 - MCC Relief Meat Canner in N. Newton
October 30 - Faspa and Criminal Justice
November 2 - First Wednesday Lunch
November 3 - Tabor Mennonite Men Chicken BBQ
November 6 - Bethesda Pillars Banquet
November 13 - Goessel Community Thanksgiving Meal

Conference Announcements

MennoCon23, Mennonite Church USA's largest faith formation gathering, will be held July 3-8, 2023, in Kansas City, Missouri. There will be programming for all ages, including a one-day Climate Summit for youth and young adults. See the tentative block schedule here: mennoniteusa.org/mennocon-schedule

Mennonite Central Committee: Peace for the Weary at Camp Deerpark, Jan 2-7, 2023. Calling young adults living in metropolitan areas to take a break from daily life and join MCC for a transformational week of connection and learning. During this experience, you will gain tools for understanding trauma and develop strategies for self-care and healing through the lens of restorative justice to bring back to your city. Registration fee is \$200; sign up now at mcc.org/peace-for-the-weary. More information about peace camps: mcc.org/peace-camps.

Mennonite Disaster Service: The September edition of *On the Level* is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: Executive Director Kevin King shares lessons learned while hiking, learn about the need for volunteers this fall, plus details of a new MDS warehouse in California. Click on this link to read more: <https://conta.cc/3xCpfz4>

Camp Mennoscah:

--Buy your Camp Mennoscah merch today! <http://camp-mennoscah-store.square.site/> The Camp Mennoscah online store has been refreshed and is ready for you to fill your need for that newest Camp Mennoscah tee shirt or water bottle. We suggest wearing camp gear to every event and outing! Only water bottles and stickers will be at Bethel College's Fall Fest.

--Work and Play Day on October 15! Share a few hours of your time for the satisfaction of improving camp grounds and some free time wandering the trails, fishing, or whatever your favorite camp activity is. The day starts at 8:30 am at the maintenance shed. If you are coming from distance, ask about an overnight stay. Let us know you're coming, so we can plan for you and your friends. Call 620-297-3290 or email olivia.bartel@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 stop by, call us at 316.283.9461, or attend our upcoming volunteer orientation Thursday, 10/20/22, 5-6 pm to tell us what interests you. We hope to hear from you soon!

"We Own This Now" is coming to Kansas for several showings! This Ted & Company play will be performed at several dates and locations. Created in partnership with the Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery Coalition, "We Own This Now" is a benefit for the Kanza Heritage Society. This play looks at love of land and loss of land. What does it mean to "own" something? What is the relationship between "owning" and "taking" --and what is the relationship between "ownership" and (taking) responsibility? Click [here](#) for more information about the showings.

--Sat, Oct. 29, 7 pm, Theatre Lawrence, 4660 Bauer Farm Dr, Lawrence
--Wed, Nov. 2, 7 pm, Tabor College, 400 South Jefferson, Hillsboro
--Thurs, Nov. 3, 7 pm, McPherson Church of the Brethren, 200 N. Carrie, McPherson
--Sat, Nov. 5, 3 pm, Hope Mennonite Church, 868 N. Maize Road, Wichita

Thinking about seminary? Strengthen your leadership skills and prepare for future ministry and service through one of Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's master's-level programs. We offer generous need-based financial aid, scholarships and matching grants to help you study either on campus or at a distance. Apply today! ams.edu/degrees-and-programs

Bethel College:

--Bethel College's Fall Festival is Oct. 6-9, with most activities taking place Saturday, Oct. 8, on campus. Features include music, food, class reunions, football, Children's Park, the play *Quiet in the Land* by Anne Chislett and the STEM Symposium honoring Professor Emeritus of Psychology Paul Lewis. See <https://www.bethelks.edu/alumni/events/fall-festival> for the complete schedule.

--Bethel College Women's Association will appreciate donations of home-made baked goods for Market-in-the-Round and Pie-by-the-Slice at Fall Festival. Zwieback, cinnamon rolls, fruit pies, and poppyseed roll are especially needed. Please bring to Room 141 in Luyken Fine Arts Center 2-5pm on Friday Oct 7, or 7-9am on Saturday Oct 8. Pies may be delivered to Seminar A in Schultz Student Center. Email bcwa@bethelks.edu with questions.

--Call for Fall Fest Volunteers – The Bethel College Alumni Association is looking for volunteers to help with Taste of Newton and Fall Fest. Shifts are 1.5-2 hours long and need to be filled on Thursday, Oct. 6, 5-9 p.m., and Saturday, Oct. 8, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Contact Brad Schmidt at 316-285-5252 or bschmidt@bethelks.edu for more information.

--Aileen Esau from Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church will be making borscht at Fall Fest on Saturday, October 8. She would appreciate help for the following:

One person for the early shift: 4:30 to 7:30 am.

2 people to serve borscht from 11:15 to 1 pm.

1 person to carry borscht from 11:15 to 1 pm.

If you have an hour of time instead of the full time please let me know!

Contact David Esau at 367-2358.

NOTES

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE September 25, 2022

Offering	= \$ 7,642.08	Attendance	= 131
Adult FF	= \$ 52.00	Attendance	= 33
Jr. FF	= \$ 10.25	Attendance	= 32
Worship Link Views		=	44

BECAUSE OF YOUR GENEROSITY . . .

we have a welcoming and clean place to worship and be together for Faith Formation and fellowship events. A portion of our budget pays for salaries, which includes that of our custodian, Camille Adrian. Thanks to Camille for her hard work, which may go unnoticed . . . but if she weren't here, we would all certainly notice her absence!



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