



Mennonite Disaster Service Sunday

In our worship this morning, we are grateful for the opportunity to hear from Cleo Koop as he reflects on the story of Noah and shares about the Kansas Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) unit. Thanks be to God for the many people who give of their time, talents, and treasures to support the good work of MDS as they respond, rebuild, and restore in the wake of disaster.

WORSHIP

PRELUDE		Worship Team
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Bruce Funk
RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP		
*CALL TO WORSHIP	<i>"Prayer for Service Agencies"</i>	from VT No. 957
*GATHERING HYMN	<i>"You Are Salt for the Earth"</i>	No. 297
*GATHERING PRAYER		
*HYMN OF PRAYER	<i>"In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified"</i>	No. 754
*PASSING THE PEACE	<i>The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.</i>	
OFFERING OUR GIFTS	<i>"We Are an Offering"</i>	No. 69 CS
CHILDREN'S STORY		Leann Toews
MISSIONAL MOMENT	<i>Kansas MDS Unit Responses 2022</i>	Cleo Koop
SCRIPTURE READING	<i>Genesis 6:5-9; 8:15-22</i>	Elton Nickel
	<i>The Word of God for the people of God. ~ Thanks be to God!</i>	
SERMON	<i>"Noah: A Disaster Manager"</i>	Cleo Koop
HYMN OF RESPONSE	<i>"Will You Let Me Be Your Servant"</i>	No. 778
CONGREGATIONAL SHARING & PRAYER	Pastor Katherine Goerzen	
*SENDING HYMN	<i>"Alleluia, the Great Storm is Over"</i>	No. 71 SJ
*BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE		

**Please stand if you are able*

Sunday, October 23

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

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

10:45 am: Faith Formation for everyone.

6:15 pm: Hayrack ride! Meet at church to load the wagons and head to Brandon and Kristi Unruh's farm. S'mores and a fire to warm up around will be provided. See you then!

This Week

Bulletin announcements are due Thursday mornings.

Mon, Oct. 24, 5:30 pm - Faithful Fitness.
7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study.

Tues, Oct. 25, 9:00 am - Staff meeting.
7:00 pm - Deacon meeting.

Wed, Oct. 26, 9:00 am - TMW quilting & tying comforts.
Wednesday Evening programs.

5:45 pm - Supper: Chicken & Biscuits. *Suggested donation \$3.50.*
6:15 - 7:30 pm - Preschool - Grade 5
6:15 - 7:45 pm - Junior High / High School
7:30 - 8:30 pm - Adult Choir practice

Thurs, Oct. 27 - Fri, Oct. 28 - MCC Meat Canning.

Next Sunday, October 30

9:30 am: Next Sunday is Stewardship Sunday. Mitch Stutzman, Stewardship Consultant at Everence, will preach on the story of Ananias and Sapphira found in Acts 4:36 - 5:11.

5th Sunday Offering will be received for the MCC Meat Canner. This is in addition to our regular budget offering. *Please make checks payable to Tabor Mennonite Church with MCC Meat Canning on the memo line.*

10:45 am: Faith Formation for everyone.

5:30 pm: Faspa and Criminal Justice. In response to the MC USA Resolution on "Justice in the U.S. Criminal Legal System," the Christian Education Commission will host Carrie Smith (Probation Officer), and Mark Smith (Law Enforcement Officer) who will share about their experiences within the criminal legal system. The evening will include Faspa and a time for questions and conversation in the Hospitality Hall.

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.
- ★ Western District Conference: Give thanks for the generosity of congregations and individuals whose financial gifts support WDC's mission of empowering Anabaptist / Mennonite congregations to **Witness** and invite faith in Jesus Christ, **Dwell** in just and loving relationships, and **Connect** to God's mission in the world.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: MMN requests prayer for Oscar Siwali and the SADRA (South Africa Development and Reconstruction Agency) Conflict Transformation personnel, as they do essential peacebuilding work in the South African context. Pray that churches in the United States will also be willing to engage in the ministry of strategic peacebuilding.
- ★ Mennonite Church USA: Next weekend, the Constituency Leaders Council of Mennonite Church USA will be meeting online. Pray for effective churchwide decision making, as the leaders fulfill their roles as denominational elders.

Remember to Praise God for:

- ★ Mennonite Disaster Service and their long history of providing relief and care to those in need following trauma.

Congregational Announcements

Use your gifts to support Tabor's ministry! Opportunities to serve at Tabor are available in the new fiscal year. Please prayerfully consider one of the following positions: Deacon, Worship Executive Team, Christian Education Team, Outreach Commission Team. To volunteer, or for more information on these positions, please talk to Pastor Katherine, an individual on the board or commission of interest, or contact Kim at the church office.

Teacher for Wednesday Evenings: We are excited that we have enough teachers for Wednesday evenings! A helper in the Kindergarten and 1st grade class would be helpful. If you are interested, please speak with Dale Alderfer or Pastor Katherine. Thank you!

Meat Canning will once again take place at the MCC Center in North Newton. Our days to provide volunteers will be October 27 and 28. A signup sheet is on the bulletin board and donations may be placed in the Canner truck in the foyer. *Please make checks out to Tabor Mennonite Church with Meat Canning on the memo line.* Contact Kenton Nickel with any questions. Thanks for your support!

First Wednesday Lunch: We're resurrecting our old tradition of meeting for lunch once a month and are calling it, First Wednesday Lunch (so we can remember what day it is every month). Please join us for lunch and conversation at Del Puente Cafe (701 N. Main, Newton) on Wed., Nov. 2!

Mennonite Men Chicken BBQ will take place on Nov. 3 from 5-7 pm. Enjoy a dine-in meal of special recipe chicken, baked beans, cole slaw, roll and ice cream. Donations received will go to Mennonite Disaster Service cabinet shop and Tabor Church hospitality hall sound system.

Bethesda Pillars Banquet: November 6 at Tabor Mennonite Church – Drive Thru event from 5:30pm – 6:30pm. A homemade, delicious meal will be cooked by Elaine Unruh, Lynette Duerksen and Laura Unrau. All proceeds will go towards new linens and towels for the residents. Our goal is to raise 10% more than we did last year! Help us reach \$61,000!! Call 620-367-2291 for reservations. Reservation deadline is October 28. Thanks for your support of Bethesda Home! For more information, please see the flyer on the bulletin board. Thanks!

Goessel Community Thanksgiving Dinner! The Goessel Ministerial Alliance is planning a sit-down Thanksgiving Dinner in the Elementary school gym on Sunday, November 13 from 5:00-6:30 p.m. It takes a community to make a community dinner happen! Please check the bulletin board for food sign ups as well as sign ups to help with other tasks. Whether you come to eat, sign up to help, or both, thank you for considering how you can be a part of this Thanksgiving Meal!

Get ready for Christmas early! Tabor Trading Post will be open December 4 and 11. Funds will be used to help with the support of our Mission Partners, the Hospitality Hall Sound & Video equipment fund, and also MCC projects. Start early and let's see if we can fulfill many Christmas wish lists! For more information contact Ruby Graber or Kristi Unruh.

Giving to the Givens: Tabor Church has committed to an annual donation of \$1,500 to our Mission Partners, Rachel and Joseph Givens. Less than \$100 is left to reach the goal for this fiscal year. Any donations above our annual commitment are greatly appreciated, as funding for their ministry depends on financial support designated for them through Mennonite Mission Network. *Please leave your generous donation in the box on the table in the foyer. Make checks payable to Tabor Mennonite Church with Mission Partners on the memo line.*

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.

Upcoming:

October 30 - Faspa and Criminal Justice

November 2 - First Wednesday Lunch

November 3 - Tabor Mennonite Men Chicken BBQ

November 6 - Congregational meeting, 8am

- Bethesda Pillars Banquet

November 13 - Goessel Community Thanksgiving Meal

November 27 - First Sunday in Advent

- Pastor Todd Schlosser's first Sunday at Tabor!

Conference and Community Announcements

Mennonite Church USA: MennoMedia invites you to Join for a Sip & Chat with John D. Roth (project director of Anabaptism at 500) and Mollee Moua (managing editor) to learn more about the Anabaptist Bible Project and how your faith community can participate in this once-in-a-generation initiative. Two times are offered via Zoom: Oct 20th at 9am and Oct 27 at 6pm. Here's what you will learn:

- How your congregation or faith community can become involved

- The vision and process behind the creation of the Anabaptist Bible

- The Bible study process . . . how to add your voice to the project

Click [here](#) to RSVP. You will receive a confirmation email with the Zoom link the day of the event.

Western District Women in Mission invites you to join a virtual "Book Shelfies with Bethany" hour on Tuesday, October 25 from 7-8 pm. Bethany Martin, Manager at Faith & Life Bookstore in Newton, will present book reviews to add to your reading list as you settle in with good books during the winter months or think about gifts for Christmas. A very brief business meeting will be held to vote on some changes to our bylaws and to elect the new executive committee members of Western District Women in Mission. To register and receive a Zoom link, please e-mail westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com. Registration deadline is October 24.

Mennonite Disaster Service: The September edition of *On the Level* is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: Learn about the MDS response to Hurricane Ian in Florida; Volunteers replant trees after the Colorado wildfires; and we have information on the up-coming MDS Annual Celebration in Pennsylvania in February. Click on this link to read more: <https://conta.cc/3se4Lta>

Quilter's Corner is gladly accepting donations for the MCC sale which is April 14 and 15, 2023. Bring your fabric, notions, quilts and quilting supplies to the MCC Center in North Newton clearly labeled for Quilter's Corner. If questions, contact Ann Yoder Smith at 919-604-3282.

Mennonite Central Committee Buckets of Thanks - This Thanksgiving season, show your gratitude and provide hope to those in need by collecting relief supplies for MCC. The supplies you donate will fill a Bucket of Thanks (aka an MCC relief kit) for people affected by conflict or disaster around the world. For more information, including supply lists and a ready-to-use curriculum for children, visit: mccbuckets.org.

Contents (NEW items only)

- 4 large bars bath soap (leave in wrapper)

- Shampoo (1 or 2 bottles, totaling more than 20 oz; place in resealable plastic bag)

- 4 large bars laundry soap (such as Fels Naptha®, Sunlight® or Zote® brands)

- 4 adult-size toothbrushes (in manufacturer's packaging)

- 4 new bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright colors; approx. 29 in x 60 in)

- 2 wide-toothed combs (6-8 in)

- 1 nail clipper (good quality)

- 1 box adhesive bandages (minimum 40, assorted)

- Sanitary pads (THIN; 1 or 2 packages, minimum 28 pads total)

"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

Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association: After two years of not meeting, we are excited to announce plans for the Fall banquet to be held at the Eden Mennonite Church near Moundridge on Thursday, October 27, at 6 pm. The keynote speaker will be Brian Stucky, a 1971 graduate of Moundridge High School and currently living in Goessel. As a descendant of the family who operated the Alta Mill near Moundridge, he will give a program about "Mennonite Mills in Central Kansas". Knackie's will cater the meal. The cost to attend is \$25 per person payable at the door. RSVP by texting or calling Nancy Stucky, 620-532-5693 by October 24.

Hesston College:

--**Hesston College Masterworks** - begins Monday, Oct 24, 7 p.m., Hesston Mennonite Church

Come join us in singing! The Masterworks Chorus is open once again to all community members. The featured work for the concert is Credo by Margaret Bonds. Six rehearsals in the fall will be followed by a performance during Martin Luther King Jr. day weekend.

Full schedule at hesston.edu/masterworks

--**Sunflower Performing Arts Presents:** ensemble 4.1 - Oct. 25, 7 p.m., Hesston Mennonite Church. Comprised of piano, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, and horn, this virtuosic chamber group - a "piano windtet" is the only one of its kind in the world. Enjoy Mozart, Beethoven as well as lesser-known composers Giesecking and Verhey along with an arrangement of Gershwin's An American in Paris. Info at sunflowerarts.org

Bethel College:

--Sun., Oct. 23 – **Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum** program with oral historian Ina Navazelskis from the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, 4 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College (note change from usual time and location). Followed by the museum's annual Living Endowment Dinner, featuring Justina Neufeld and Janine Wedel, for which reservations are required; e-mail kauffman@bethelks.edu or call 316-283-1612.

Noah: A Disaster Manager

—Perseverance

—Presence

—Peace

—Promise

—Potential

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE
October 16, 2022

Offering	= \$ 4,392.00	Attendance	= 121
Adult FF	= \$ 22.31	Attendance	= 36
Jr. FF	= \$ 9.91	Attendance	= 32
Worship Link Views		=	30

BECAUSE OF YOUR GENEROSITY . . .

we are able to support the work of Mennonite Disaster Service. This past year there have been opportunities to contribute to special offerings for MDS and there have been opportunities to participate in serving with MDS. These contributions are beyond our unified budget giving.



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