



Stewardship Sunday

Today we welcome Mitch Stutzman, a Stewardship Consultant with Everence, who will be preaching on Acts 5:1-11. Using the story of Ananias and Sapphira, Mitch will reflect on how our financial lives impact what it means to live in community with one another.

WORSHIP

- PRELUDE Diane Unruh
- WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Hayden Goerzen
- RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP
- \*CALL TO WORSHIP *from Acts 4:32-35 & Romans 12:9-13, 18*
- \*GATHERING HYMN “Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing” No. 7
- \*GATHERING PRAYER
- \*HYMN OF PRAYER “Breathe on Me, Breath of God” No. 737
- \*PASSING THE PEACE *The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.*
- OFFERING OUR GIFTS *red bags budget/gift bags MCC Meat Canning\**  
*\*make checks payable to Tabor Mennonite Church with Meat Canning on the memo line*
- CHILDREN’S STORY Keri Unruh
- SCRIPTURE READING *Acts 4:36-5:11* Gayle Funk  
*The Word of God for the people of God. ~ Thanks be to God!*
- SERMON “Rights to Ownership” Mitch Stutzman
- HYMN OF RESPONSE “Take My Life, and Let It Be” No. 759
- CONGREGATIONAL SHARING & PRAYER Pastor Katherine Goerzen
- \*SENDING HYMN “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” No. 831
- \*BENEDICTION
- \*POSTLUDE

*\*Please stand if you are able*

Sunday, October 30

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

9:30 am: Worship

YouTube Livestream (also available following the service).

<https://youtu.be/tmNNPSuZeSI>

**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.

This Week

*Bulletin announcements are due Thursday mornings.*

**Mon, Oct. 31, 5:30 pm** - Faithful Fitness.

**7:00 pm** - Men’s Bible Study.

**Tues, Nov. 1, 9:00 am** - Staff meeting.

**Wed, Nov. 2, 9:00 am** - TMW quilting & tying comforts.

**12:00 pm** - 1st Wednesday Lunch *See announcements.*

**Wednesday Evening programs.**

**5:45 pm** - Supper: Salad Bar. *Suggested donation \$3.50.*

**6:15 - 7:30 pm** - Preschool - Grade 5

**6:15 - 7:45 pm** - Junior High / High School

*Note: Youth Worship Band will not meet this week.*

**7:30 - 8:30 pm** - Adult Choir practice.

**Thurs, Nov. 3, 5:00 - 7:00 pm** - Mennonite Men Chicken BBQ.

Next Sunday, November 6

*Daylight Savings Time Ends. Set your clocks back 1 hour.*

**8:00 am:** Congregational meeting. Rolls and coffee will be served. Agenda and narratives were emailed or sent to you. Paper copies can be found on the table in the foyer.

Addition to Individuals to be Affirmed: Diane Unruh, Committee Member, Christian Education.

*Next Sunday Continued*

**9:30 am:** Next Sunday, the topic will be Allegiance to God's Kingdom as we anticipate the upcoming election. Scripture for reflection will be Romans 12:9-21 and Pastor Katherine will be preaching.

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

**5:30-6:30 pm:** Bethesda Pillars Banquet

### Prayer Requests

*The following prayer request was shared on Sunday, October 23.*

- ★ Peter Goerzen, a member of the Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary board, shared about some of the exciting and hope-filled things happening at AMBS, including new relationships being forged with church leaders around the world, such as in Ethiopia and South Korea. Seminary leaders request prayers for strength and energy as they strive to keep up with the many ways that God's Spirit is calling and leading them as they equip leaders for the work of ministry.

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: Pray for everyone reading this to have eyes to see where God is working in the hearts of our friends and neighbors, the wisdom to ask, "In what hospitable way can I help them connect with God?" and the heart to reach out with opportunities to connect on matters of faith. – Pastor Karen Mascho.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Akiko Aratani and Ray Epp are stepping back from the day-to-day responsibilities of managing the Menno Village farm in Japan and focusing on preparing the next generation of leaders and lay people in the church to practice a biblically-based theology of land stewardship. MMN requests prayer for them as they write and present in workshops and conferences.

Remember to Praise God for:

- ★ the work of Everence, which *serves individuals, organizations and congregations that share the stewardship principle that all we are and all we have are from God (Psalm 24)*. Their mission statement is: *"We help people and institutions integrate their faith and values into their financial decisions to accomplish their stewardship goals."*

### Thanks

Remembering you and your people this morning. Remembering the welcome, remembering the sound guys working hard to get us connected, remembering singing and playing, remembering talking to many folks afterward. Thank you! We give you our greetings and our gratitude for allowing us to be present with you. It was a gift for sure. Thank you also for your financial support. Wishing goodness on you all and hoping our paths cross again.

~ Herm and Vince

Thank you to everyone who has generously given to the Tabor Church Food Pantry in recent weeks. The donations of groceries, meat, and cash have helped to keep the pantry stocked and add a nice variety to the choices when people come to shop. Those who visit the pantry are so grateful for the help that we can provide. Thanks to the Harvest Giving Walk for the donation we received, The Mennonite Heritage and Ag Museum for their donation, and thanks to Goessel Grocery & Deli for their recent matching of grocery purchases! Your continued support is important and very much appreciated, as this is an ongoing ministry in our community.

### 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.

**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, coleslaw, roll and ice cream. Donations received will go to Mennonite Disaster Service cabinet shop and Tabor Church hospitality hall sound system.

**All men:** please sign up on the bulletin board to help with the BBQ.

**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 31.** 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 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.

**Rejoice!** The winter issue of the *Rejoice!* devotional is available. Pick up your copy from the table in the foyer or the shelf below the mailboxes.

**Stamps for Ministry:** Stamps are sold to stamp collectors by the pound and the funds are used to translate Sunday School materials to Spanish. Through this ministry, more than 50 lesson series have been published and used in Latin America, Spain, and the United States. There is a plastic box for used stamps on the table by the coat racks. Thank you for saving your stamps and donating to this cause.

#### **Upcoming:**

November 13 - Goessel Community Thanksgiving Meal  
November 27 - First Sunday in Advent  
- Pastor Todd Schlosser's first Sunday at Tabor!  
November 30 - December 6 - Tabor serves at New Hope Shelter  
Dec 4 & 11 - Tabor Trading Post

### **Conference and Community Announcements**

#### **Western District Conference:**

--The WDC Historical Committee invites you to attend "Old Books Made New: The Surprising Wisdom of Erasmus for Today – An Intercollegiate Symposium" on Nov. 4-5 at Bethel College. On Nov. 4 at 6:30 pm, a keynote address will be given by Greta Kroeker, Ph.D. at the University of Waterloo. The events on Nov. 5 will feature student presentations and roundtable discussions from 8:30 am-2 pm. Click [here](#) for more information on this event.

--Associate Conference Minister Kathy Neufeld Dunn plans to be out of the office November 14 - December 31 for a sabbatical leave. During this time her focus will be strengthening faith formation, resourcing for pastors & congregations, and personal renewal, through classes on faith formation and a retreat on Leading Well: A Christ-Centered Community of Curious Leaders sponsored by Vibrant Faith. In Kathy's absence, her ministry responsibilities will be covered by other staff members and leaders.

#### **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>

--The Kansas MDS (Mennonite Disaster Service) Unit is sponsoring a Learning and Service trip to Jennings Louisiana, January 28-February 4, 2023. Participants will leave on Saturday traveling to New Orleans, staying over night, learning about long term recovery from disasters and visiting Laura Plantation on Sunday. Your cost will be one night lodging, two tours we will take and meals on the days we travel. MDS is covering the transportation, meals and lodging while on the MDS project in Jennings. We will be rebuilding homes with MDS from Monday through Friday. To make your reservations or for more information contact Cleo Koop at [cleohkoop@gmail.com](mailto:cleohkoop@gmail.com) or call 316-282-0797.

#### **Camp Mennoscah:**

--What additional programming (events, camps, retreats, etc.) would you like to see at camp? We want to know what you'd like find on Camp Mennoscah's schedule. Contact us at 620-297-3290 or [olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org](mailto:olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org) to let us know what variation of a camp, retreat or stunning event would be exciting to discover at camp.

--On Saturday, November 12, we will be playing in the dirt at Camp Mennoscah! It's the last step (we think) in finishing up the newly renovated amphitheater. Dirt needs to be moved by hand between the rows of limestone seating. We'll start at 9am and work until the last tablespoon of dirt is in place. Stay for as long as you are able. Bring your water bottle, weather appropriate gear and we'll provide a lunch. (Call us at 620-297-3290 and let us know of any dietary considerations.)

--Holidays are "blacked out" two weeks before the holiday, if no one has made a reservation. Contact us to inquire about available holiday dates! We don't want you to miss out on festive times at camp.

**New Hope Shelter Fund Raiser:** Kiko's Mexican Restaurant, 1728 N. Main, Newton, 316-847-1957. Eat-in, Drive-thru or Pick-up. Sat Oct 29 & Sun. Oct 30. 100% of sales to New Hope Shelter. In addition, if you bring an item off the Shelter's needs list on their Facebook page, you will receive a 10% discount on your total order. New Hope Shelter serves homeless people from Harvey, Marion, McPherson and Butler counties.

**Peace Connections:** 10th Annual Celebrity Servers. Three-course meal at Water's Edge, Hesston. Saturday, November 5, 5-8pm. Tips will go to Harvey County Circle of Hope. Reservations recommended. Call 316-284-0000 or email [info@peaceconnections.org](mailto:info@peaceconnections.org). RSVP by Oct. 31.

**“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

**Bethel College:**

- Mon., Oct. 31 – Bethel College Chamber Orchestra concert, featuring works by Grieg, Handel, Musial and more, directed by Kris Hilding, 7 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center
- Sun., Nov. 6 – “Can We Sing the Darkness to Light?": Bethel Sings, a concert featuring all Bethel College vocal groups, Henry Waters, director, 3 p.m., Bethel College Mennonite Church, 2600 College Ave., N. Newton
- Sat., Nov. 12 – The public is invited to a Community Evensong service, 7 p.m., Memorial Hall on the Bethel College campus, the conclusion of the Worship and the Arts Symposium. The service will consist entirely of congregational singing from the *Voices Together* hymnal, arranged around the 12 artworks found in the hymnal. Please bring your copy of *Voices Together* if you have one; there will be copies to borrow or to buy at the service.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE			
October 23, 2022			
Offering	= \$ 6,298.61	Attendance	= 107
Adult FF	= \$ 31.00	Attendance	= 39
Jr. FF	= \$ 12.19	Attendance	= 35
Worship Link Views		=	46

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