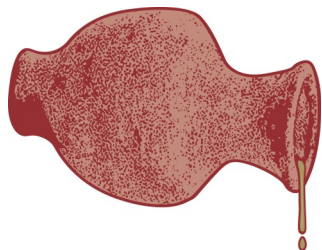


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OLD TESTAMENT STORIES:

The Anointing of David

Today we continue our exploration of Old Testament stories by focusing on David. David's anointing reminds us that what God most cherishes in us is found in our heart.

WORSHIP

PRELUDE		Worship Team
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rosie Jantz
LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP AND RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL		
*CALL TO WORSHIP	<i>from Psalm 139</i>	
*GATHERING HYMN	<i>"Jesus Calls Us"</i>	No. 30
*GATHERING PRAYER		
*HYMN OF PRAISE	<i>"Here by the Water"</i>	No. 629
*PASSING THE PEACE	<i>The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.</i>	
OFFERING OUR GIFTS	<i>"God of Wonders"</i>	
CHILDREN'S STORY		Keri Unruh
WORSHIP MUSIC		Children's Choir
SCRIPTURE READING	<i>1 Samuel 16:1-13</i>	Sheri Schmidt
	<i>The Word of God for the people of God. ~ Thanks be to God!</i>	
SERMON		Pastor Todd Schlosser
*HYMN OF RESPONSE	<i>"Will You Come and Follow Me"</i>	No. 540
CONGREGATIONAL SHARING & PRAYER		Pastor Katherine Goerzen
*SENDING HYMN	<i>"The Lord Your God Is with You"</i>	No. 173
*BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE		

**Please stand if you are able*

Sunday, February 5

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

9:30 am: Worship

YouTube Livestream (also available following the service).

<https://youtube.com/live/fVCiw0gYkL8?feature=share>

10:45 am: Faith Formation for everyone.

5:30 pm: SOUPer Bowl in the Hospitality Hall. *See announcements.*

This Week

Bulletin announcements are due on Thursday mornings.

Mon, Feb. 6 - 5:30 pm - Faithful Fitness.

7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study. Book of Acts.

Tues, Feb. 7, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm - WDC Pastor's Day Apart.

Pastors Katherine & Todd attending.

Wed, Feb. 8, 9:00 am - Wednesday Evening programs.

5:45 pm - Supper for everyone: 12 Topping Hotdogs

Suggested donation \$3.50.

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

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

6:30 - 7:30 pm - Adult Bible Study

7:30 - 8:30 pm - Adult Choir

Next Sunday, February 12

9:30 am: Next Sunday we will continue our worship series, Stories from the Old Testament: *Elijah and the Widow of Zarephath*. Scripture for reflection will be 1 Kings 17:8-24 and Pastor Katherine will be preaching.

10:45 am: Faith Formation for everyone.

Upcoming:

Wed, Feb. 15 - TMYF to Area Youth Event @ Faith Mennonite, Newton

Wed, Feb. 22 - Pine Car Derby

Sun, March 5 - Area Jr. High Fundraiser

Mon - Wed, March 6, 7, 8 - MCC Comforter Blitz at Yoder

Tues, March 7 - TMW Exchange Student Sharing

Sun, March 26 - Youth Sunday and Dessert Auction

Wed, April 5 - Quiz Bowl Event

Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ those in our congregation who are facing life transitions and discerning next steps.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for God's guidance and blessing for WDC youth and their sponsors, pastors and families, in their journey of growing faith and discipleship.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Today, Hope for the Future's three-day conference concludes in Atlanta, Georgia. MMN requests prayer for the Mennonite Black, Indigenous and People of Color leaders, as they return to their congregations and communities, strengthened by worship and fellowship. Pray also for White allies to work toward God's justice.

Congregational Announcements

Singers and musicians are needed for Special Music during the worship services at Tabor Mennonite Church. The Music Committee is scheduling individuals and groups for the Sundays in March - June. Please let Carrie Unruh know if you are willing to share your musical talents with the congregation and possible dates you are available. Email her at lewunr@gmail.com.

SOUPer Bowl: Sunday, February 5 at 5:30 in the Hospitality Hall for soup and storytelling. If you would like to bring bread or dessert, there are still a few slips remaining to tear off on the bulletin board in the foyer. Drinks and tableware will be provided. Also be thinking of any stories that you would be willing to share. Maybe an entertaining story about Tabor church from years ago? Or a funny story about an encounter with a critter. Talk to Kenton or Eunice Nickel or Pam or Brent Abrahams if you have questions or a story you would like to share.

Goessel Community Junior High will be hosting Camp 412 at the Disciple Center at Tawakoni again this year! The dates are May 26-29, 2023 and the cost is \$70 per camper. Scholarships are available upon request. While at Camp, we get to enjoy a variety of activities, including swimming, group games, input sessions, and campfires. Registration can be found here: <https://forms.gle/tywYcnRL56sUgpFZ8>

Goessel Community Junior High will be hosting Camp 412 at the Disciple Center at Tawakoni near Augusta. In order to help cover the costs of camp, we will once again be having our fundraiser meal on March 5 at Goessel High School. We're changing up the menu this year! We will be serving pancakes, sausage, applesauce and dessert beginning at 11:30. The meal is by donation with \$8 per person being the suggested amount. We're excited to be able to go to camp again and appreciate your support!

Bible Study Opportunity: In honor of Anabaptism's 500th anniversary in 2025, MennoMedia is putting together an Anabaptist Bible. There is an opportunity for Anabaptist congregations to contribute to this Bible, by studying 3 passages of Scripture (assigned by MennoMedia). If you are interested in participating in a Bible Study that will contribute reflections, insights, and questions for marginal notes in this Bible, please speak with Pastor Todd or Pastor Katherine. Thank you!

Josie's Closet - Medical Equipment Loan & Recycling continues to help families in need of medical equipment. Items often requested include shower chairs, commodes, walkers, and transport chairs. To borrow or donate gently used equipment, make an appointment with Nancy Stucky, director, at (620)747-9359 or email josiesclosetmedequip@gmail.com. Financial donations can be made through the Goessel Ministerial Alliance to help with this ministry.

Blood Drive: Give Blood – Save Lives! Please sign up to donate blood on February 6 between 1:00-6:00 pm at the Goessel Church. Encourage someone else to join you and become a first-time donor! Sign up online at redcrossblood.org for an appointment. For more information contact Nancy Stucky 620-747-0081 or Rosie Reimer 620-367-2418.

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

The Tabor Church Directory is being updated for print. Please contact the church office with any changes or corrections to your listing.

Conference and Community Announcements

Mennonite Church USA:

--February is Black History Month. Be sure to check out Mennonite Church USA's timeline honoring "Black History in the Mennonite Church." mennoniteusa.org/resource/black-history

--Registration for MennoCon23 will open on March 1. Mennocon23 will be held in Kansas City, Mo., July 3-6, immediately followed by the Mennonite Church USA Delegate Assembly and the new Youth and Young Adult Climate Summit. Subscribe to MC USA's PeaceMail weekly newsletter for the latest updates.

Mennonite Central Committee and Mennonite Church USA are partnering in a new webinar series, Beyond Incarceration: A hard look at dismantling the prison system and building healthy communities. Join us to learn about the ways the faith community is actively understanding and working against these complex systems of confinement. The webinars will take place on Feb. 7, Feb. 21, March 7, and March 21 at 6:30 p.m. They will be followed by learning tour opportunities in different parts of the U.S. Registration link: mcc.org/beyond-incarceration-webinars
Camp Mennoscah:

--Summer youth camp registration is open and Camp Mennoscah is receiving registrations. The summer theme is FruitFULL Faith. Get ready to learn and sing about the Fruit of the Spirit this summer!

--Interviews for Summer Staff In Progress! We are seeking stunning summer staff to fill the following leadership positions for the 2023 summer: crafts, lifeguard, music, nature, office, and grounds. These positions are typically filled by college-age students, are summer-long and receive a stipend. Lifeguards and grounds are especially needed. It's a summer of fun, service and faith formation!

--Upcoming:

Spring Scrapbook and Craft Retreat, March 10-12 and 17-19
Youth Volunteer Weekend, March 24-25
Men and Boys Retreat, March 31-April 2

Contact information/details:

Website: www.campmennoscah.org Phone: 620-297-3290.

Mennonite Central Committee:

--**MCC Central States annual meeting**, March 4 from 1-3 p.m. at MCC in North Newton. This will primarily be an in-person event, but if you would like a link to join via Zoom please email tinascrag@mcc.org for the link.

--**MCC is seeking a Donor Relations Associate:** This role is responsible for assisting in the implementation of the donor relations strategy for MCC Central States by stewarding major donors involving face-to-face contact to meet the budgeted income goals and generate the necessary resources to accomplish the mission of MCC. Full-time position; office location flexible. Apply online by February 24 at mcc.org/donor-relations-associate. For more information contact Amber Falcón at 574-534-4133 or amberfalcon@mcc.org.

--**Volunteer with MCC Thrift today!** You can support the relief development and peace work of MCC AND your local community when you volunteer at your local MCC Thrift shop! By volunteering, you'll make friends, gain work experience, and help make a difference in your community and around the world. From sorting to pricing to working the cash register, we've got a job that's right for you. Sign up to volunteer thrift.mcc.org/volunteer/

New Hope Shelter: We are \$331,655 short of completing our fundraising for our new Building at 308 South Meridian Road, Newton. We are prepared to accept contributions in a variety of forms including appreciated stocks. When we complete that fundraising, we secure the \$1,000,000 Mabee challenge grant we have been promised. If you or someone you know can help, please contact Brian Bisbee at 316-283-7711.

Hesston College, Sunflower Performing Arts:

--Our Song, Our Story – The New Generation of Black Voices - Monday, Feb. 6, 7 p.m., Hesston Mennonite Church. Pianist and musical director Damien Sneed, soprano Jacqueline Echols, baritone Justin Austin and a string quartet will offer a powerful evening of music. Performing opera, art song, spirituals and jazz, these world-class Black artists also will pay homage to Marian Anderson and Jessye Norman who were at the vanguard of Black classical singers.

--Dr. Steven Spooner – Piano Concert - Tuesday, Feb. 14, 7 p.m., Hesston Mennonite Church. Steven Spooner is Professor of Piano at the Peabody Institute at Johns Hopkins University. His compelling performances have been hailed worldwide. This performance takes the place of Calmus: Christmas A Cappella, which was canceled due to visa travel complications in December. Free to season ticket holders or \$25 single tickets available at the door. A Valentine reception will follow the concert.

--More info and tickets at [sunflower arts.org](https://sunflowerarts.org).

Bethel College:

--Sun., Feb. 19 – KIPCOR Film Series presents No Time to Waste: The Urgent Mission of Betty Reid Soskin, 2 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center. This film looks at the legendary 101-year-old park ranger's inspiring life, work and determination to restore critical missing chapters of America's story. An audience talkback will follow the screening. Free and open to the public, with a freewill offering taken to support KIPCOR and the film series.

--Now in the Regier Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College – "Farm to Table," ceramics by Stacey Stanhope Dundon, through Fri., Feb. 24. Gallery hours are Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sun. 2-4 p.m.



April 14 - 15, Hutchinson Fairgrounds

--THANKS for the AWESOME support for Tabor Children's Memory Challenge. We have raised \$500 so far and would like \$400 more to reach our goal so we can give each 2nd thru 8th grader a \$25 voucher to spend at the MCC Sale IF they get their memory work completed. Place your checks (made out to Tabor Church with Children's Memory Challenge on the memo line) in Jerry and Leann Toews' church mailbox.

--We encourage Creative Ideas of how each one of you can help raise money for the KS MCC Sale. MCC is one of the MOST efficiently run Humanitarian Aid Organizations in the World, where nearly 90 cents of every dollar donated gets to where the worst Humanitarian Crisis are in 55 Countries.

--Our first Children's Coin offering was \$46.54. Add whatever you can to the cans each Sunday until the sale. Both coins and paper are great.

--Use your talents to make anything that can be sold at the sale: Baked Goods, Fabric Work; Woodworking; Metalworking; Plants, etc. Be creative.

--Fellowship meals deadline is Feb. 12 with meals taking place March 5 and 12. Folks are also encouraged to host your own fellowship meal by inviting friends over and raising money for the MCC Sale.

--Deadline to donate items for the Quilt Auction is March 6.

--PLEASE help with Pre-Sale Expenses. Put your checks in Jerry and Leann Toews' church mailbox. Make checks payable to KMRS (Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale)

--New items are being added to our website each week. When it gets closer to sale date, Sign Up Genius will help you sign up for places you can help. Take a 2 hour shift to help Kansas Mennonites fill the 1000 Volunteer Opportunities there are to make the sale continue to be possible to enjoy. Website is: kansas.mccsale.org

--Pray for the KS MCC Sale and the work MCC does to help give Hope to MANY daily.

Sermon Notes

When we wrap up our Wednesday Evenings later this spring, there will be a Quiz Bowl event on April 5 in which everyone is invited to participate - children, youth, and adults! This will feature questions from Scripture passages that we have been learning about during the spring semester. ADULTS, if you would like to participate, here are passages you can read through to start studying: Exodus 19 & 20, Joshua 2 & 6, 1 Samuel 16 & 17, 1 Kings 17, and 2 Kings 2:7-12.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE January 29, 2023

Offering	= \$ 4,847.00	Attendance	= 115
Adult FF	= \$ 19.00	Attendance	= 34
Jr. FF	= \$ 6.25	Attendance	= 43
Worship Link Views		=	34



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