

Tabor Mennonite Church

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Fully Alive in Christ

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Today we celebrate with hearts overflowing with thanksgiving and joy to Jesus' life-changing resurrection.

Happy Easter!

Christ is risen indeed!

WORSHIP

PRELUDE Michelle Unruh and Pastor Katherine Goerzen

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Carol Duerksen

RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP

MUSICAL CALL TO WORSHIP Adult Choir
"Alleluia! Praise the Risen King!" -Larson Trumpet: Peter Goerzen

*SPOKEN CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 118:21-24*

*GATHERING HYMN "Low in the Grave He Lay" -vs. 1 & 3 No. 333

*GATHERING PRAYER

*HYMNS OF PRAISE "Thine Is the Glory" -vs. 1 & 3 No. 355
"Christ Who Left His Home in Glory" -vs. 1 & 2 No. 361

*PASSING THE PEACE *The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.*

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

CHILDREN'S STORY Diane Unruh

WORSHIP MUSIC "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" -arr. Forrest Adult Choir

SCRIPTURE READING *Matthew 28:1-10* Jim Schmidt
The Word of God for the people of God. ~ Thanks be to God!

SERMON Pastor Todd Schlosser

*HYMN OF RESPONSE "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" No. 354

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING & PRAYER Pastor Todd Schlosser

*SENDING HYMNS "Lift Your Glad Voices" No. 340
"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" -vs. 1, 3 & 4 No.346

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "The Hallelujah Chorus"
Michelle Unruh & Pastor Katherine Goerzen
All are invited to stay and enjoy this celebratory piece of music
*Please stand if you are able

Sunday, April 9

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

9:00 am: Easter Breakfast in the Hospitality Hall

10:00 am: Worship
YouTube Livestream (also available following the service).
<https://youtube.com/live/BNXaZIXpWnc?feature=share>

No Faith Formation Hour

This Week

Bulletin announcements are due on Thursday mornings.

Mon, April 10 - 5:30 pm - Faithful Fitness.
7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study. Book of Mark.

Tues, April 11, 9:30 am - Staff meeting.
6:30 pm - Christian Education meeting.
7:30 pm - Church Council meeting.

Wed, April 12 - 7:00 pm - TMYF

Fri, April 14 - Sat, April 15 - Mennonite Relief Sale

Next Sunday, April 16

9:30 am: Next Sunday is Holy Humor Sunday! Everyone is invited to come dressed in brightly colored clothes as we celebrate the joy of the resurrection!

10:45 am: Faith Formation for everyone.

7:00 pm: Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus, Richert Auditorium, Tabor College, Hillsboro. "We sing that others may live." Donations benefit Mennonite Central Committee.

Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale this coming weekend. May those working at the sale and those attending the sale experience joy, and may those to who receive aid and assistance from the money generated by the sale find comfort and healing.
- ★ Western District Conference: Give thanks for WDC congregations as they embody the good news of new life in Christ!
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Celebrate Easter by sharing the good news of Jesus' victory over the grip of evil in our world. Join MMN's personnel and partners throughout the United States and in 49 countries around the world in proclaiming this message to those whom you encounter today and every day.

Remember to Praise God for:

- ★ the promise of new life in Christ through the resurrection!

Thanks

To our Tabor Church family - thank you for the offers of prayer and condolence, cards, hugs and the Caring Quilt following the death of Susan's mother. We really appreciate being a part of such a caring church family.
~Susan Merrifield and Rusten Schroeder

Congregational Announcements

The position of Church Secretary has been filled by Diane Unruh. The position of Church Treasurer remains open. Please see one of the trustees if you are interested in the treasurer position. Kim's last day will be May 31. A potluck celebration for her years as Secretary/Treasure will be on April 30.

ChangeMakers Lab: Vacation Bible School is coming! All children who will be 4 yrs old by September 1, 2023 through current 6th grade are invited to VBS at Tabor, June 5-9, 8:30—11 am. If you would like your child/children to attend, please complete the online registration form found at this link: <https://forms.gle/kSsQL6scMeSz8baGA> If you would like volunteer to help with VBS, register using this link: <https://forms.gle/hgWa25W9vtCo1YL88> Paper copies of the registration form are also available on the table in the church foyer.

Tabor Mennonite Women are invited to a Mystery Supper on Tuesday, April 25. Plan to meet at the church at 5:30 pm and leave by 5:45. Please sign-up on the sheet posted on bulletin board by April 19. We will carpool to our destination. Cost is \$20.00, which includes the meal, gratuity, and an offering for Tabor Mennonite Women.

Spring work day at church will be on May 6 this year. Volunteers are needed to keep our church grounds maintained and looking nice. There are projects for everyone, so plan to attend from 8 am until noon. Refreshments are appreciated! Contact a trustee with any questions.

Tabor Church Food Pantry: Groceries are running low in the food pantry at this time. Your generous donations of non-perishable food items are welcome. Needed: Cereal, Oatmeal, Peanut Butter, Jelly, Ramen Noodles, Spaghetti Sauce, Rice Meals, Scalloped Potatoes, Tuna, Chicken and Canned Meats, Chili and Soups, Applesauce, Fruits, Vegetables, Canned Tomatoes, Canned Beans, Spaghettios / Ravioli, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Cake, Brownie & Cookie Mixes, Jell-o (some sugar free) Pudding, Breakfast Bars / Pop Tarts, Laundry Soap, Dish Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste. Thank you for your help and generosity.

Senior Coffee at Alexanderwohl: Perhaps you've seen the beautiful fresh or dried flower arrangements at Goessel Grocery and Deli, or maybe you've driven by the farm just west of Goessel and have seen the flowers and plants blooming and growing? Amanda Castro and her mother Lorna Hakes have been busy growing all sorts of blooming things at the Firebranch Farm. They will come to Alexanderwohl on Friday, April 21 at 10am. to be the presenters at Senior Coffee. They'll bring a few of their plants and tell us "The Story and Dreams of Firebranch Farm", how they got started, where they are now and where they'd like to go with this dream of local, organic flower gardening. You're invited!

Upcoming:

Sun, April 16 - Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus at Tabor College
Sun, April 23 - Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus at Bethel College
Tues, April 25 - TMW Mystery Evening
Sun, April 30 - Potluck meal for Kim's retirement
Sat, May 6 - Spring Work Day at Tabor
Sun, May 7 - Ordination Service for Michael Unruh at Bethel College
Sun, May 21 - Bethesda Fundraiser: White Owl Barn

Conference and Community Announcements

Mennonite Church USA:

--Online registration is open for MennoCon23, Mennonite Church USA's leading faith formation event, in Kansas City (Missouri) Convention Center, July 3-6, 2023. Registration is also open for the Youth & Young Adult Climate Summit, July 7, and the Delegate Assembly, July 7-8. Register at mennoniteusa.org/registration

--The Mennonite Church USA Executive Board addressed agenda items for the upcoming 2023 Delegate Assembly and affirmed several key relationships during its online Zoom meeting on Jan. 27 and 28, 2023. Learn more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/executive-board-prepares

Camp Mennoscah:

--Camp Mennoscah is preparing for summer heat with portable A/C units in the Retreat Center, since the HVAC system is not working. On April 22, beginning at 8:30am, volunteers are needed to help installing the A/C units. There are 26 units that need to be installed, so many hands are needed! Camp will provide lunch. Bring a water bottle and meet at the Retreat Center. If you let us know you are coming, we can be better prepared for lunch. Call or text 316-293-7313.

--Nurses needed for the weeks of June 18-23, Junior I Camp, and July 9-14, Junior High II Camp. Head cooks needed for PreJunior I, June 11-15, and PreJunior II, June 25-29. Kitchen helpers and volunteers are needed for the majority of camp weeks.

--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!

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

The Newton Et Cetera Shop is receiving applications for a full-time General Manager. Et Cetera is a non-profit, retail thrift shop business dedicated to reselling donated items. This position requires experience in an active retail business environment, computer and public relations skills, directing staff, and maintaining and managing a large diverse group of volunteers. Application may be picked up at the shop 10am - 5:30pm Mon. through Sat. or on the website at newtonetceterashop.com. Application deadline is April 17 and the position is available beginning in May.

Bethel College:

--Singers wanted: Bethel College's annual Masterworks concert will be Sunday, April 30, with choir and orchestra under the direction of Dr. Henry Waters performing Beethoven "Choral Fantasy" and Mozart "Coronation Mass." The community is invited to participate. Practices take place on Tuesdays, in April, 6-8 p.m. in the choir room in Luyken Fine Arts Center on the Bethel campus. Rehearsal Sat., April 29 (3-7 p.m.; dinner provided). Performance at 4 p.m. on Sunday, with a call time of 3 p.m. Scores and rehearsal tracks provided. Sign up: <https://forms.gle/rqjK4dgSpYieVTvP8> or come to the first rehearsal on April 4.

--Sun., April 16 – KIPCOR Film Series presents Thirst for Justice, 2 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center. This documentary looks at three citizen groups fighting for clean water, in the Navajo Nation, Flint, Mich., and Standing Rock. 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.

Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary: Fully online seminary Graduate Certificate program. Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's fully online Graduate Certificate in Theological Studies requires only 21 credit hours! Strengthen the biblical and theological foundation for your work by developing a customized plan of study that matches your interests. Ideal for church leaders, bivocational pastors and other professionals.

Everence® will hold an informative Social Security and retirement income workshop on Thursday, April 20, starting at 6:30 pm. The in-person workshop will take place at the Everence office: 3179 N. Main St. Suite 1B, North Newton. Information will be presented by staff from the Everence offices in Central Kansas. To register contact Everence at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE April 2, 2023

Offering	= \$ 4,820.52	Attendance	= 164
Adult FF	= \$ 30.00	Attendance	= 39
Jr. FF	= \$ 7.80	Attendance	= 43
Worship Link Views		=	26

SERMON NOTES



April 14 - 15, Hutchinson Fairgrounds

--We will pick up your ZWEIBACH at 9am Friday. We will check freezer if you desire to put them in there. We will pick up PIES at 8am on Saturday.

--ALL Pre-Sale Expenses HAVE BEEN PAID. Thanks for your help.

--PLEASE help take pictures of TABOR people in action and send to Sherry Unruh for the Tabor Slide Show : unruh.sherry@gmail.com

--PLEASE check the website and look over the new "PLAN YOUR VISIT" Tab which gives ALL Scheduled events and where you can find the different food options. It is a GREAT NEW ADDITION to the WEBSITE: kansas.mccsale.org Scroll thru Auctions to see what all has been donated already.

--Help is needed at the booth selling bulk sausage and a few hams. Sat, April 15, 10am - 12pm, 12pm - 2pm. If you can help, a sign-up sheet is on a MCC Sale table in the Hospitality Hall. Contact Lewis & Carrie Unruh with questions.

--Rene and Kristin Kaufman are co-coordinating the Verenike/Sausage Booth in the Domestic Arts building. There are lots of volunteer slots that need to be filled. Please consider signing up to work a shift or two!

--PLEASE SIGN UP UNDER THE VOLUNTEER TAB on the website. There are MANY open slots at almost every booth. It takes over 1000 Volunteers. It is more blessed to GIVE than RECEIVE. Please help where you can. THANKS

--PLEASE COME TO THE SALE AND PLAN TO SPEND MONEY THERE HELPING THOSE IN NEED. Bring your Families and Friends to eat out and socialize Friday Eve and ALL Day Saturday.

--QUILTS start selling at 8:45 Sat.

--GENERAL AUCTION starts selling at 8:45 Sat

--BIG TICKET items sell at 2pm Sat.

--SURPLUS Sale starts approx 3pm -- FILL YOUR FREEZER WITH ETHNIC FOODS LEFT OVER. and other supplies not used.

--Website is: kansas.mccsale.org

Easter Lilies



In Remembrance Of

Shared By

☞ Ernest & Twila Bleam
Charles & Dora Unruh

Lewis & Carrie Unruh

☞ Robert & Dorothy Roadway
Alvin Thiesen & Esther Thiesen

Ann Thiesen

☞ Arnold & Bertha Nickel
LeRoy & Alice Funk

Elton & Denise Nickel Family

☞ Paul Graber

Norma Graber & Family

☞ Corbin Gleason
Mae Frey

Dana & Bonnie Gleason

☞ Evie Schmidt

Faith Formation (WOW) Class

☞ Walden Duerksen

Susan Duerksen & Family

☞ Dennis & Evelyn Schlosser

Todd & Lynn, Jonathan & Rebecca Schlosser

☞ Milton & Alice Duerksen
Levi & Elva Knepp

Carol Duerksen & Maynard Knepp

☞ Clancey Lawless

Cayla & Reece Hiebert

☞ LeRoy & Alice Funk
Marvin & Dorothy Banman

Keith & Barb Banman

☞ Ben & Marie Voth
John & Ella Dyck

Lester & Lois Voth

Mary Lou Unrau, Judy Kollmorgen,
Marjorie Mattingly, Kevin Kollmorgen

☞ Matthew Hurst

Russ & Barb Abrahams



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