



Our new exercise program, **WEDNESDAY NIGHT WELLNESS**, begins this week Wednesday, April 22. At 5:30-6:00 pm the "Active Seniors" class, specifically for senior citizens will begin. From 7:00-8:00pm the "Faithful Fitness" class, open to everyone ages 14 and older will be held. Classes will include instructor led strength training, stretching, outdoor cardio exercises, and variety of other fitness activities. Contact Kevin Nickel with questions.

**OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE**

**Good Friday, April 10, 2009**

\$899.18

*Goessel Ministerial Alliance Treasury  
and Health Care Ministries of Newton*

**Sunday, April 12, 2009**

Offering = \$5,009.65    Attendance = 289

**Did You Know?** Yesterday the Mid-Kansas Relief Sale raised funds to support the work of Mennonite Central Committee. Our budget donates \$2,000 to the meat canning project of MCC.

**We find Peace by Christ's example**

The Lord then saw unrighteousness and strife in the city, and stretched out his hands to an unbelieving and rebellious people. And yet, looking upon them, he said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

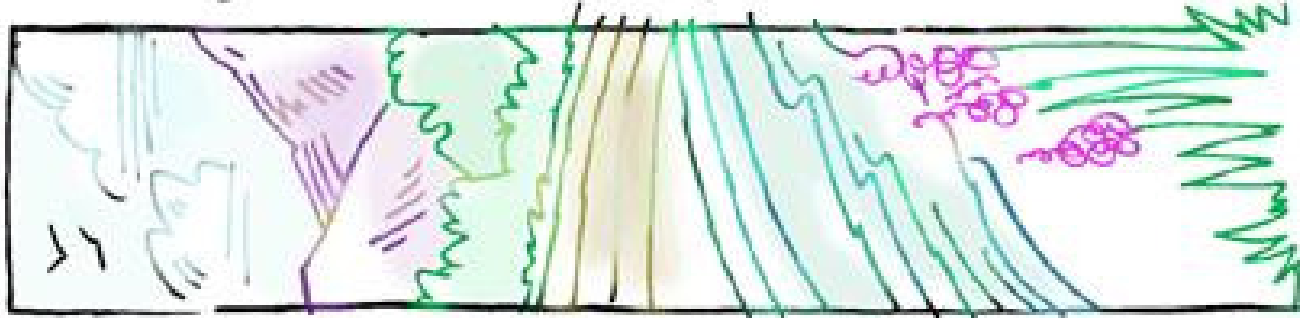
-- St. Augustine, from the Treatise of St. Augustine the Bishop on the Psalms



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*We know  
that all  
things work  
together  
for good for  
those who  
love God...*

*Romans 8:28*

**Tabor Mennonite Church**  
April 19, 2009



**As God's children and the body of Christ, we are called by God to offer hospitality, healing and hope in the name of Christ.**

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## Youth Sunday

### All Things Work for Good

*"All things work for good for those who love the Lord." -Romans 8:28*

PRELUDE Youth Worship Band

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader, Laura Unruh

PRAYING FOR GOD'S PRESENCE

\*SINGING OUR PRAISE "Great is the Lord" No. 87

\*GREETING EACH OTHER and ANNOUNCEMENTS

*You are welcome to fill out the friendship brochure and place it in the offering bag.*

CHILDREN'S STORY Hannah Perry

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

SILENCE

SONG "Trading my Sorrows" PowerPoint

DRAMA "Jolene's Text Message" Youth Group

Inspired by Genesis 37-45

*Written by Carol Duerksen ~ Directed by Carrie Sommerfeld*

SONG OF FAITH "Seek Ye First" PowerPoint

OFFERING OUR GIFTS Michelle Unruh

*A portion of this offering is for the ministry of the MCC meat canning project.*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

**Canadian Mennonite University Singers** from Winnipeg, Manitoba tour in Kansas: Wednesday, April 29, 7 p.m. at Grace Hill Mennonite Church; Friday, May 1, 7 p.m. at Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church; Saturday, May 2, 7 p.m. at Bethel College Mennonite Church; Sunday, May 3, 10:30 a.m. at Faith Mennonite Church. Donations accepted to help defray tour costs.

**Mennonite Mutual Aid** is pleased to be a sponsor of the MoneySkills Camp hosted and conducted by Bethel College for students who will have finished grades 5, 6, 7, & 8 this spring. MMA strongly endorses the need to begin to teach about the stewardship of money at every stage of life, and particularly in helping our children prepare for the financial challenges they will face in their future. MMA is pleased to provide up to four scholarships to attend this camp. Go to the Bethel College web site [www.bethelks.edu/community](http://www.bethelks.edu/community) to see the content of the camp curriculum and other details about the camp so you can answer questions that you feel comfortable in responding to. For more details e-mail Allison McFarland at Bethel College - [moneyskillscamp@bethelks.edu](mailto:moneyskillscamp@bethelks.edu).

#### Camp MennoScah:

**Men and Boy' Retreat:** April 24-26. Come for a great weekend!

**Retirees' Relaxation Retreat:** April 27-29. Our theme is Great God! Great Gardens! There will be presentations on gardening, Bible study, singing, and free time for visiting, fishing or whatever you choose to do!

**JOY (Just for You) Retreat:** May 24-25. This retreat is for individuals 18 years and older with special needs and their families and/or caregivers. A nurse will be on site for this retreat. Limited scholarships are available.

**The April wish list is here!** Have a look at some of the items we need for basic upkeep or that we think would improve camp life. The wish list can be found on the Camp MennoScah webpage at [www.mennowdc.org/Camp.html](http://www.mennowdc.org/Camp.html), and is also posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

**Peace Connections:** Volunteer to help with the Kids Summer Food & Activity Program, a free breakfast & lunch program for children/youth ages 2-18 in Newton, June and July at Sunset Elementary. Training for volunteers is REQUIRED. Call 316-284-0000 for more information or with questions.

#### On the Bulletin Boards:

- ★ Tony Duplessis: **Louisiana Musician and Story-teller** to perform April 19, 7pm, Hesston Mennonite Church. Offering for Disaster Management Program at Hesston College. Details are posted.
- ★ Goessel Elementary PTO requesting recipes for **50th anniversary cookbook**. Details are posted on the bulletin board.
- ★ AMBS Great Plains Extension, N. Newton . **Teaching the Bible in the Congregation**, beginning in June. Register for course by May 12.
- ★ **Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum**, Kauffman Museum at Bethel College, Looking at Protest Art , April 19, 3:30 pm.

## \*BENEDICTION

## POSTLUDE

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**T o d a y**

**Celebrate Education at Tabor!** Plan to come to the Tabor Church Park May 3 at 5pm for a hamburger fry to celebrate and show appreciation to those involved with teaching and serving in our education program.

*This is for everyone!* Those not involved with serving in education, please bring a generous side dish. Education Co. will provide hamburgers, buns, dessert and drinks. Everyone, please bring your own table service and lawn chairs. To help with planning, *please sign up* on the bulletin board if you plan to come.

**Summer Camps:** Kids! Plan to experience camp this summer. If you did not receive a catalog, there are some on the table in the foyer. Tabor will award \$50 scholarships to all those attending MennoScah or Rocky Mountain Camps. Sign up on the bulletin board if you are planning to attend. The early registration discount for Camp MennoScah ends May 1<sup>st</sup>. Just send in your camper registration form and full payment by May 1<sup>st</sup> and receive \$10 off your camp fees.

**Mennonite Heritage Museum:**

You have a new opportunity to make a reservation for Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum's **Heritage Dinner**. It has been rescheduled for Saturday, May 9. The event, to be held at Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church at 6:30 p.m., will feature a full-course pork chop meal followed by entertainment. To make a reservation, call the museum at 367-8200 -- the deadline is 4 p.m., Tuesday, May 5. Tickets are \$50; you may pay in advance or at the door.

**Help needed:** Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum is seeking a few good people who are willing to spend 3-1/2 hours one Saturday a month from now through September welcoming visitors from many parts of the U.S. (and sometimes the world) to our story. Open time slots: 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. on first, second, and fourth Saturdays; 1:30-5 p.m. on third and fourth Saturdays. Requirements: interest in and some knowledge of the history of Mennonites in the Goessel area; friendliness; reliability; ability to handle admissions and store sales (but you don't have to run the cash register -- an alternate plan is in place). If this sounds like your cup of coffee, give Marj a call at the museum (367-8200).

**AGAPE:** The annual Volunteer recognition dinner will be held this week Wednesday, April 22 at noon at the AGAPE Senior Center. Please show your continued interest and support in our senior center by calling for your meal reservation to 367-2275. Everyone invited and welcome.

**The Newton Community Children's Choir** Spring Concert, Friday, May 1, at First Presbyterian Church, 900 Columbus Avenue, Newton. Prelude music by NCCC musicians begins at 6:45 pm followed by the concert at 7:00 pm. Admission is \$5 Adults, \$3 Students, and Pre-K free.

Even though we don't always do it, it is much easier to praise God when things are going well than when the world seems to be reaching in around us. When bad things happen it seems like God is far away. The bible teaches us again and again however, that it is often the times of intense struggle and challenge that God can use to make us stronger and prepare us to be better able to bring about the Kingdom.

We welcome you to this time of worship and celebration and pray that you will meet Christ here in this place. We are so glad you are here. This morning you were greeted by Brent, Pam & Samuel Abrahams, James Goerzen & Hannah Perry. *Please note the friendship cards in the songbook holders and fill one out if you have requests or if you are a visitor.*

Childcare is provided by Jill Brandt in the nursery during worship.

**TMYF Members:** *Josh Booth, Jasmine Brandt, Travis Fensky, Hayden Goerzen, James Goerzen, Cody Loewen, Caleb Makovec, Lars Osland, Hannah Perry, Isaac Perry, Janina Schmidt, Austin Unruh, Kristin Unruh, Laura Unruh, Leah Unruh, Michelle Unruh, Monica Voth*

**Musicians:** *John Unruh, Brian Voth*

**Sponsors:** Sharleen and Russ Francis, Brent and Pam Abrahams, Carrie and Justin Sommerfeld

**Youth Pastor:** Doug Krehbiel  
*Italics indicate member of TMYF Worship Team*

**10:45 a.m.**—Sunday School for everyone.

**Blood pressure checks** in the church office following worship.

**Pastor Karen** is on vacation today. She will be back in the office this week.

**Pastor Corey** and his family are visiting Nancy's aunt in Paola today. They will return home this evening.

On the table in the foyer are **Prayer Request Cards**. You are invited to fill one out if you have a request and return it to a pastor's box.

This is your last chance to vote in the **cute baby contest fundraiser** for TMYF. The pictures are in the foyer. The winner will receive a small prize, so help them out. Our contest has already raised \$500! We appreciate your contributions!!

## This Week

### Monday, April 20

#### ***Newsletter items are due.***

**6:30 p.m.**—Spring Salad Supper for Tabor women and girls. Speaker, Kim Vogel Sawyer, author of several books, will give her presentation on Lessons Learned From Chocolate. Bring a salad and come for an evening of fun, food and fellowship.

### Wednesday, April 22

**6:30 - 8:00p.m.**—**Children of Light** musical rehearsal.

**7:00 - 8:00p.m.**—**TMYF**

**Wednesday Night Wellness** see *back page of bulletin for details.*

### Thursday, April 23

**7:00 p.m.**—Worship Fellowship Committee meeting  
Education Committee meeting.

### Saturday, April 25

**Children of Light** musical rehearsal. Time to be announced.

## Next Sunday, April 26

**9:30 a.m.**—**NEXT SUNDAY** we continue with our Easter Joy by hearing a special musical put on by our Children of Light choir. They will be offering Esther-ordinary Faith, the story of Esther. Be praying for Barb Banman and the children as they prepare to share their gifts in this service.

**10:45 a.m.**—Sunday School for everyone.

## Prayer Requests

Happenings:

- ★ Erland Waltner, pioneer of integration, dies. The one person who had the greatest influence on the beginning of AMBS, Erland Waltner, died Sunday, April 12, in Goshen, Ind. He was 94 years old. After giving significant leadership to launching the Association of Mennonite Biblical Seminary and Goshen Biblical Seminary in 1958, he served as president of MBS for 20 years. The Funeral Service was held on Friday, April 17, in Elkhart, Indiana.

*Prayer requests continued*

Remember to pray for:

- ★ A new person to come forward to help the Gift Discernment Committee.
  - ★ Western District Conference: Give thanks for Clarence Rempel's 15 years of pastoral ministry at First Mennonite, Newton and his "yes" to serve WDC as an associate conference minister beginning May 1.
  - ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Praise God for the ministry of MMN workers Byrdalene and Willis Horst who completed more than 30 years of service among the indigenous people in the Argentine Chaco. Pray that God will send new workers to join the Mennonite Team in accompanying the Pilagá and Toba indigenous churches there.
  - ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for the staff of Bethel College s Kauffman Museum as they plan activities to celebrate Earth Day.
- Remember to Praise God for:
- ★ the many ways that God's Reign was proclaimed this weekend at the MCC sale in Hutchinson.
  - ★ our youth who continue to inspire us with their faith and their gifts.

## Announcements

**Easter Lily:** One more Easter Lily was given last Sunday in memory of Selma Klassen (Cynthia Goerzen's mother). The lily was given to the family at the memorial service and they shared this with Tabor.

**Gift Discernment Member Needed:** In your church mail boxes are forms for you to prayerfully fill out to help call out a new member for the Gift Discernment group. We need one more person to help Leona Brandt, Angie Duerksen and Ron Schroeder with the ministry of discerning gifts in people for ministry. Return the form to the box in the foyer by April 26.

**"Catch the Spirit"** and get registered for Bible School this June 1-5. Forms are available on the table in the foyer (or sent home with your child at school) and need to be returned to Janna Duerksen or Pam Abrahams by April 29. We are excited to learn how the Holy Spirit is moving in God's work in the world.

**Young Adult "Broil"** on Sunday, April 26, 5:30 p.m. at Kevin and Yvette Nickel's home. Come for an evening of good food and fun!