

Sermon Notes

Glimpses of Glory

(Mark 9:2-13)

“After six days Jesus took Peter, James and John with him and led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone. There he was transfigured before them.” (Mark 9:2)

“Then a cloud appeared and covered them, and a voice came from the cloud: ‘This is my Son, whom I love. Listen to him!’” (Mark 9:7)

“As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus gave them orders not to tell anyone what they had seen until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.” (Mark 9:9)

Dumbfounded Disciples

Preparing the Way

- I. **Moses:** Covenanting with the People
(Exodus 19:3-8; 24:15-18; 34:29-32)
- II. **Elijah:** Preparing for God’s Coming
(Mark 9:11; Malachi 4:5-6)

Fulfilling God’s Plan

- I. **John the Baptist:** Preparing the Way
(Mark 1:2-8, 14; 6:14-29)
- II. **Jesus the Son of God:** Renewing God’s People
(Mark 1:11; 3:13-18; 9:7)

Journeying to the Promised Land

- I. Through the Cross (Mark 9:12b)
- II. On to Resurrection (Mark 9:9)

Gazing at God’s Glory

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FIRST SUNDAY^{IN}
LENT

Transfiguration

Tabor Mennonite Church

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**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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No. 7

Gathering

PRELUDE

Deloris Schmidt

INTROIT

"Clap Your Hands"

Sonbeams

WELCOME and INVOCATION

Worship Leader, Elaine Schroeder

from Psalm 27

Leader: The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

**People: The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?**

**All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.
Amen.**

*GATHERING HYMN

"God of our strength"

No. 36

*PRAYER

Praising

*SONG OF PRAISE

"Shine, Jesus Shine"

No. 22CS

*GREETING EACH OTHER and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Receiving

WORSHIP MUSIC

"Everywhere I Go" -Natalie Sleeth Children of Light

CHILDREN'S STORY

Sheri Schmidt

SCRIPTURE *Exodus 24:15-18; 34:29-32; Mark 9:2-13*

Marcene Entz

SERMON

"Glimpses of Glory"

Phil Schmidt

Responding

SILENT REFLECTION

HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Christ upon the mountain peak"

No. 232

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

CONFESSION

Sending

*SENDING HYMN

"Turn your eyes upon Jesus"

No. 46CS

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Today

During the five Sundays of Lent before Holy Week, we will slow down our pace through Mark's Gospel and take time to reflect on Jesus' and the disciple's journey to Jerusalem (Mark 8:27-10:52). As we Journey with Jesus, we will truly learn what it means for him to be Messiah and Son of God (Mark 1:1) as well as what it means for us to be his followers. This morning, we will focus on the account of Jesus' transfiguration on the mountain (Mark 9:2-13). Once again, Jesus' disciples don't understand what is going on: where they failed to understand, may we have eyes to see, ears to hear, and faith to respond.



The flowers this morning are in memory of Jona Reimer, who's birthday was February 18. They are shared by his children Nadine and Delbert and their families.



Come Holy Spirit.

*Fill the hearts of thy faithful people
and kindle in us the fire of thy love.*

Today continued

We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Gary, Angie, Olivia and Zach Duerksen and Brandon, Kristi, Kylee, Porclein, Audessi, Braxton and Quinli Unruh. *A special welcome is extended to all visitors.*

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

10:45 a.m.—Sunday School for everyone. Adults: James Goerzen and Kristin Unruh will share about their recent trips to Israel and Mexico. Meet in the sanctuary.

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.

Noon: Fellowship Meal Fund Raiser for the KS MCC Sale.

This Week

Monday, February 18

7:00 p.m.—Willing Helpers. *See announcements for details.*

Tuesday, February 19

Newsletter items are due.

Wednesday, February 20

9:00 a.m.—Women's Bible Study. Join us on Feb 20 as we begin a 6 week study on The Last Days of Jesus.

Wednesday Evening Activities

6:00 - 6:45 p.m.—Supper **See Announcement.** *Sign up for the meal.*

6:30 - 6:45 p.m.—Kids' Movement

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.—Faithful Fitness

6:45 - 7:15 p.m.—Sonbeams, Children of Light, Faith Friends (age 3-5)

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.—TMYF

7:15 - 7:45 p.m.—Faith Friends (K-gr. 1)

7:15 - 8:15 p.m.—Faith Adventures, Youth Explorers

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.—Adult Choir

Thursday, February 21

7:15 p.m.—Christian Education Meeting.

Next Sunday, February 24

9:30 a.m.—Next week we continue our journey with Jesus and his disciples toward Jerusalem. Our focus for the morning worship service will be on the question: "Who is the Greatest?" As we consider this question, let us recognize how Jesus redefines greatness. Scripture for reflection is Mark 9:30-37. Pastor Doug will be preaching.

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

Prayer Requests

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for the Youth Ministry Network Team with leaders Dwight Regier and Jesse Blasdel as they support youth pastors and sponsors and plan South Central-Western District youth events.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: In December, personnel from seven European Mennonite centers, partners with MMN, met for their annual gathering. They discussed how to respond to immigration issues. Pray that Mennonite institutions on all continents will be places of welcome for the strangers among us.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for God's blessing and presence with Bethel College junior nursing students and nursing faculty as they observe the annual lamp-lighting ceremony on February 23.

Announcements

Interested in Praying together this Lenten season? Pastor Phil will be facilitating community prayer times during the season of Lent on Wednesday evenings (5:30-6pm) and Saturday afternoons (1-1:30pm). We will be praying together using the Anabaptist Prayer Book: Take Our Moments and Our Days (Volume 2). We will begin this Wednesday evening, February 20. All are welcome. If you are able to purchase your own copy of the prayer book, please do so and bring it with you.

Pizza! Pizza! Pizza! Menno Brothers (well, Hunt Brothers) pizza is on the menu for the Wednesday evening meal February 20. Also on the menu is fresh tossed salad and cookies. This dining event will benefit Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum -- you can enjoy good food and support the museum at the same time.

Young Adults: We have a group of young adults at Tabor who have been gathering monthly since October and are interested in hosting a get-together for other young adults in the area. Here are the details:

- What: Potluck Dinner!
- Where: Tabor Mennonite Church
- Who: Post-College, Pre-Family Adults
- When: Saturday, March 9 at 5:30pm

We will need to know how many people plan to attend, so please invite anyone who is interested to RSVP to pschmidt@tabormennonite.org by March 6th. Please bring your own table service and a potluck dish to share. Drinks will be provided. *See posted flyer for more details.*

The Willing Helpers will meet Monday, February 18 at 7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. For our program, Carol Duerksen will lead a conversation with the area high school exchange students. Diana Schmidt will lead devotions, "A God Who Roars", from Amos 1:2;3:7-8. Our other guests will be the Alexanderwohl Happy Home Workers. **All church members are invited to attend this informative meeting.** A time of fellowship and visiting with the students and guests will follow.

Tabor Ladies Lunch Bunch will meet at Bethesda Home on February 26 at noon. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend.

Mark your calendars ladies - The annual SPRING SUPPER is planned for Thursday, March 21 at Whitestone Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall, Hesston. Watch for more information and see the posted flyer.

MDS Update: Final plans are being made for the MDS trip to Joplin, MO the week of February 24th. If you would like to go along there is still room available. It's not too late. If you would like to support the trip financially, please give donations to Kim Funk, Dale Alderfer or Steve Janzen.

Spring Sunday School Electives (Beginning March 3):

For Women—A Sister Care Sunday School elective will be offered. "Sister Care, Equipping Women for a Caring Ministry" will give you tools to care for yourself and others. A team that has attended a Sister Care seminar will lead this study. A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board.

For Men—"Under Construction: Reforming Men's Spirituality" by Gareth Brandt will be the focus of study. If you are interested in this class, please sign up on the bulletin board.

Time for Basketball: The 2013 WDC Basketball Tournament will be held on the evenings of March 19, 21 and 22 at Bethel College. Registration deadline is March 1. Please contact Phil Unruh if you are interested in playing on Tabor's team.

2013 Directory: Updates for the 2013 Tabor Church Directory are due on March 12. If you would like to have your cell phone number listed, please let Kim know. Email: kfunk@tabormennonite.org, or place in secretaries mailbox.



MCC Sale News:

Kansas MCC Relief Sale: April 12 and 13.

—Children's Coin Offerings last Sunday brought in \$66.87. Good job!! If you don't have coins in your pocket, put in a little paper money please. Help the kids of the world out.

—Join the Comforter Blitz on March 11 and 12 to add excitement to your life. It's fun to work with others from different communities doing God's work.

—Divide and start seedlings – Talk to Kristi Unruh.

—Build ANYTHING. See if Van can sell it.

—Deadline for Quilts, Comforters, and Wall Hanging to be included in the Buyers Guide is March 25.

—Start training for the 5K.

—PLEASE put pre-sale expense checks made out to MCC Sale in Jerry and Leann Toews or Kristin and Archie Schmidt's mailboxes

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

February 10, 2013

Offering	=	\$ 3,270.00	Attendance	=	181
Adult S.S.	=	\$ 55.85	Attendance	=	65
Jr. S.S.	=	\$ 11.22	Attendance	=	17

"Follow Me"

"... lay hold on the truth that life works better when we know how to glance at things but gaze at God. Seeing Him clearly will enable us to see all other things clearly."

--Shelwyn Hughes

