

“Trusting God”

(Exodus 16:1-12 & Numbers 20:1-13)

“Whenever the cloud was taken up from the tabernacle, the Israelites would set out on each stage of their journey; but if the cloud was not taken up, then they did not set out until the day that it was taken up. For the cloud of the Lord was on the tabernacle by day, and fire was in the cloud by night, before the eyes of all the house of Israel at each stage of their journey. (Exodus 40:36-38)

Wilderness Whining

Miraculous Memories

- I. *Water* (Exodus 15, 17; Numbers 20)
- II. *Food* (Exodus 16; Numbers 11)
- III. *Safety* (Exodus 17; Numbers 21)

Forming Faith

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Tabor Mennonite Church

Worship: 9:15 am Fellowship Time: 10:30 am Faith Formation: 10:45 am

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Wilderness Wanderings ~ Trust

Tabor Mennonite Church

October 27, 2013

Prayer requests continued

- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for Moises Romero, pastor of Iglesia Camino de Santidad, Liberal, KS, who was licensed towards ordination last Sunday. Pray for Mennonite Church of the Servant, Wichita, KS, as they dedicate their new meetinghouse this afternoon.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: *Bopaganang Basha* Youth Centre in Botswana has a troupe of actors who present dramas dealing with HIV/AIDS, substance abuse, and domestic violence. Although the group is much in demand for their productions, MMN's Melanie Quinn requests prayer for the participants' spiritual growth and life skills.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for Marlene Epp of Conrad Grebel University College, Waterloo, Ontario, who gives the annual Menno Simons Lectures at Bethel College beginning this afternoon.

Announcements

Thank You:

We have felt your prayers since our house fire. Thank You, we appreciate your concern for us. It is helping us to get through these difficult days of discerning each day. We ask for continued prayers as we struggle each day with decisions. Thank You for the good meals brought to us, it was very helpful. A big Thank You to Fred, Diane, Kristin, Michelle and Luke for graciously making us feel at "home" in their home since the fire on October 10. It is a good feeling to be members of a caring congregation. -Paul and Norma Graber

We want to thank our wonderful Tabor Church family for the many prayers and expressions of care and concern during Alfred's brief battle with lymphoma, and for the hugs, cards, food and support following his passing. We are so grateful for the love that has surrounded our family during these past few difficult weeks, and that will go with us as we face the days ahead. May God bless you. -The family of Alfred Schmidt

Suggestions for Fellowship? If you have ideas for activities that you think would be fun and enjoyed by many, the Quarterly Fellowship committee would love to hear from you. There is a green box in the foyer with pink slips beside it for suggestion to build community.

HELP! Nursery Staff Needed: Six have committed to serving in the nursery during the worship service. A few more workers would allow each volunteer to serve once a quarter. Contact Carrie Unruh if you could help with this ministry.

Mennonite Men Chicken BBQ November 7, 5-7pm: Donations will go to the Goessel Ministerial Alliance and Tabor Church Facilities Taskforce. Men, remember to sign up to help.

Annual Congregational Meeting November 10: Fundraiser meal for the Mennonite College Task Force followed by the meeting at 12:30. There will be affirmation of individuals to serve, the budget will be presented for approval and there will be an update from the Facilities Task Force.

Proclaiming

WORSHIP MUSIC "Stranger" -Luboff Bethel College Concert Choir
"Amazing Grace" -Luboff

CHILDREN'S STORY Janna Duerksen

SCRIPTURE READING Eunice Nickel
Exodus 16:1-12, 35; Numbers 20:1-13

SERMON "Trusting God" Pastor Phil Schmidt

Responding

SONG OF RESPONSE "Lead us in your light" No. 139CS

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Pastor Rosie Jantz

Sending

CHORAL BENEDICTION "The Prayer of St. Patrick" -Bernhardt

*BENEDICTION

May God bless and keep you.

May the very face of God shine on you and be gracious to you.

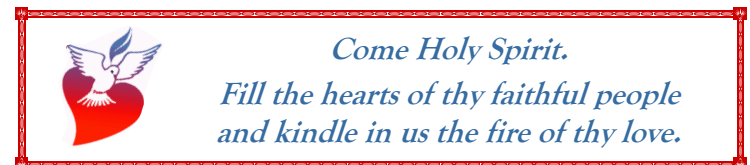
May God's presence embrace you and give you peace.

*POSTLUDE

Today

Today we continue our yearlong journey through the Bible by focusing on Israel's wanderings in the wilderness before arriving at the Promised Land. As the people journeyed through the wilderness, they found much to complain about. As a result, they had much to learn about putting their trust in a trustworthy God.

We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Rod and Ilona Abrahams and John and Ruth Peters. *A special welcome is extended to all visitors.*



Today Continued

We welcome the Bethel College Concert Choir, directed by Dr. William Eash and the women's ensemble, Woven, who are sharing music throughout the service this morning.

Bethel College Concert Choir:

Daniel Barrera	Benjamin Kreider	*Megan Siebert
Leland Brown III	Carl Lehmann	*Ariel Silva
Cody Claassen	Will Lewis	Dalton Smith
Kevin Coash	Emily Leudtke	Micah Smith
Philippe David	*Caroline Mayhew	Nicole Smith
Erin Engle	Audra Miller	Chase Stucky
Caleb Epp	Cris Nelson	Taylor Stucky
Brenan Erb	*Karina Ortman	Georgia Thiesen
Tevin Freel	Jessie Pohl	Leah Towle
*Lisa Goering	Kaitlyn Preheim	Aaron Tschetter
Matthew Graber	Melinda Regehr	Issei Tsuji
Emily Harder	*Erin Regier	Braden Unruh
Tara Harms-Becker	Tim Regier	Henry Unruh
April Harpe	*Renee Reimer	*Michelle Unruh
Kaitlin Heller	Kyle Riesen	Andrew Walker
Samantha Jarvis	Alli Rudeen	Madelyn Weaver
Kathryn Kelman	Casey Schunn	Amy Wedel
Riley King	Abby Schrag	Julie Wedel
Evan Koch	Elizabeth Schrag	Jocelyn Wilkinson
Clarie Koehn	*Jill Siebert	

*Woven

The flowers today are in celebration of the 50th wedding anniversary of Jerol and DeLome Schmidt. Praise God for the gift of marriage.



Childcare is provided by Sarahanne Unruh in the nursery during the worship service. **Reminder:** The pews at the back of the sanctuary are reserved for families with young children.

10:30—Fellowship Time/Biblical Snacks: Sweet manna and water out of a rock.

10:45—Faith Formation for everyone.

Adults:

Prayer: Pastor Rosie's Office Bible Study: Rm. 113 and 211

Discussion: Rm. 112 Visual Arts: Library

Peace: Pastor Phil's Office Drama: Front of Sanctuary

Junior High: Rm. 210 **High School:** Rm. 14-15

1st-5th Grade: Rm. 11-12 **Wee Wonder:** Rm. 10

Preschool & Kindergarten: Rm. 13

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 Week

Sunday, October 27 - Tuesday, October 29

Serve at Harvey County Homeless Shelter

Wednesday, October 30

9:00 a.m.—Women's Bible Study

Wednesday Evening Activities

5:15—Adult Bible Study

6:00—Supper - *Please sign up for the meal*

6:30—Sonbeams and Children's Music

6:40—Faithful Fitness

6:45—Faith Adventure, Youth Explorers, Adult Bible Study

6:50—Faith Friends

7:00—TMYF

7:45—Adult Choir

Next Sunday, November 3

Daylight savings time ends. Remember to turn your clocks back.

9:00 a.m.—Prelude

9:15 a.m.—Next Sunday we continue reflecting on the people's journeys through the wilderness. As they learn to trust a trustworthy God, they also need to learn to relate to a new model of leadership. Moses provides a good example of servant leadership in place of Pharaoh's coercive rule. Pastor Phil will be preaching.

10:30 a.m.—Fellowship Time/Biblical Snacks

10:45 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone.

3:30 p.m.—Katy Schmidt will share about her experiences while serving with United Planet in New Zealand. Come hear the fascinating stories as Katy describes her work there. Tea and scones will be served.

Prayer Requests

The following requests were shared on October 20.

- ★ Ben Schmidt shared a praise that there will be many more kids going to Camp WaShunGa next May. He also asked that we pray for the upcoming fundraisers that will help many Jr. Highers take in this meaningful camp experience.

Remember to pray for:

- ★ *Caring Quilt Locations:* The Care Quilt is with LaVerta and Warren, Sheri, Mark and Josh Schmidt as they grieve the loss of Alfred. The Children's Quilt is home.