## "God's Shalom Missional Community"

Deuteronomy 5:1-7

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

Deuteronomy 15:1-3, 7-8

Deuteronomy 19:1-4

Deuteronomy 26:5-10

# Vision: Healing and Hope





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

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God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace, so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

Wilderness Wanderings ~ Shalom

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Gathering

PRELUDE Michelle Unruh

INTROIT "God of many names" Adult Choir

WELCOME Worship Leader, Pastor Phil Schmidt

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather as pilgrims

on a journey of faith.

People: We come seeking the cloud of your presence

as we travel the way.

We come seeking your pillar of fire

to light our darkness.

All: Shine in our hearts, O God,

with the light of you love. Make your presence known

through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

\*GATHERING HYMN "Come, walk with us" No. 145CS

\*PRAYER

Praising

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "We give thanks unto you" No. 161

\*GREETING EACH OTHER

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

**Proclaiming** 

CHILDREN'S STORY Sheri Schmidt

ANTHEM "Our Lord is in this place" -Mary McDonald Adult Choir

PRESENTATION Intstituto Biblico Anabautista Violeta Ajquejay

SCRIPTURE READING Selections from Deuteronomy Shelley Buller

SERMON "God's Shalom Missional Community" Ervin Stutzman

Responding

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

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Sending

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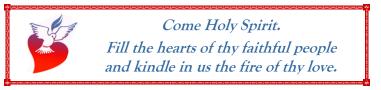
\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

## Today

Today we continue our yearlong journey through the Bible by focusing on Israel's wanderings in the wilderness just before arriving at the Promised Land. The people needed to learn how to be God's Shalom Missional Community before they could settle in the new land. We also must learn to be God's Shalom Missional community today.

We extend a special welcome to Ervin Stutzman, Executive Director of Mennonite Church USA, who will bring the morning message and also lead a joint Formation Hour for adults.



#### **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 Maynard Knepp and Carol Duerksen and Bob and Erlene Unruh. *A special welcome is extended to all visitors.* 

Childcare is provided by Yvette Nickel in the nursery during the worship service.

The flowers this morning are in celebration of the 90th birthday of Elma Goertz. Praise God for the gift of a full and long life.



**10:30—**Fellowship Time/Biblical Snacks: Symbolic flat bread from Biblical times with honey butter.

#### 10:45—Faith Formation for everyone.

Adults will meet with Ervin Stutzman 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**—Mennonite College Task Force fundraiser meal to support Tabor students attending Mennonite Colleges.

**12:30 p.m.**—Congregational Meeting. 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.

**2:00 – 4:30 p.m.**—The family of Elma Goertz invites you to Elma's birthday celebration at an open house at the Goessel City Building today. Elma was born on Nov. 13, 1923. No gifts, please, but bring well wishes and memories.

6:00 p.m.— Bethesda Pillars Banquet

## This Week

#### Wednesday, November 13:

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

## Thursday, November 14:

7:00 p.m.—Education Committee Meeting

-Mennonite Relief Sale Meeting

Friday, November 15: Newsletter Items are Due.

## Next Sunday, November 17

9:00 a.m.— Prelude

**9:15 a.m.**—Next Sunday we continue in our journey through the Bible by focusing on the people's entrance into the Promised Land. Scripture for reflection will be from the book of Joshua. Pastor Phil will be preaching.

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

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

## Prayer Requests

The following requests were shared on November 3.

★ Duane Duerksen shared that the Harvey County Homeless Shelter is getting closer to obtaining land for a new building. However, they are struggling to meet budget. Let us continue praying for the ministry of the Homeless Shelter.

# Remember to pray for:

- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for our WDC churches that our love may abound more and more in knowledge and depth of insight, so that we may be able to discern what is best and may be pure and blameless for the day of Christ (Philippians 1:9-10).
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Alisha and Joshua Garber of MMN are serving as resident directors at LCC International University in Lithuania. Pray for them as they model Christian discipleship and share their faith with students from Eastern European countries in this one-year assignment.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary welcomes visitors on Friday this week to an Open House for people interested in seminary study. Ask God to give them clarity about next steps in preparing for ministry.

#### Announcements

**Thank you** for the beautiful flower arrangement for our 50th wedding anniversary.

-Jerol and DeLome Schmidt

Year of the Bible Quarterly Celebration Sunday: On Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, we will have our first of four "Celebration Sundays." During the morning Worship Service, we will sing, recite, and reflect on the Biblical story from Genesis to Joshua. Then, during the Formation Hour, we will play a rousing game of Biblical Jeopardy! If you have a testimony, a piece of art, a memory verse, or something else related to Year of the Bible that you would like to share during the morning worship service, please let Pastor Phil know by Sunday, November 17.

Save the Date - All women and girls are invited to the annual Tabor Women's and Girls Christmas Brunch on Saturday, December 21 at 9am in the Fellowship Hall. Enjoy sister fellowship, a delicious brunch and hear Tammy Duvanal Unruh as our guest speaker. Invite your friends and family. A sign up sheet will be posted later this month.

Goessel Ministerial Alliance will again sponsor the Christmas Giving Tree. The giving tree is an opportunity for our community to come together and help families who may find it difficult to provide Christmas gifts for their children. Applications for families in need are due by November 25. See the green flyer found in mailboxes last week for details.

Community Christmas Vesper's Service will be held at Tabor Mennonite Church on Sunday evening, December 1. Come at 6pm to sing your favorite Christmas carols. Following, there will be a time for food and fellowship. Please bring a plate of Christmas goodies to share as we usher in the Christmas season.

Additional announcements are on the Community and Conference announcement sheets received via email or mailboxes. Additional sheets are in the literature rack in the foyer.

#### **Community Thanksgiving Meal and Service!**

Everyone is invited to join us for the Community Thanksgiving Meal on Sunday, November 17 at the Goessel High School Cafeteria. Come and eat anytime between 5:00 and 6:00 p.m.

Following the meal you are welcome to find a seat in the auditorium and enjoy musical entertainment from 6:00-6:30 p.m. by "Uncle Regier and the Unruhly Rascals"

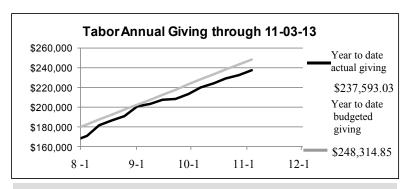
A "Service of Thanksgiving" will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium with special music by the ElBiata Singers from Goessel High School.

Please remember to **sign-up TODAY**, on the bulletin board to bring salads, bread, desserts or a turkey or ham for the meal.

Bring your salads, bread, desserts to the church kitchen on Sun., Nov. 17.

Monetary donations are welcome to be used for meal expenses. Checks payable to "Goessel Ministerial Alliance" - turn in at church office.

Thank you, in advance, for helping to make this a joyous community Thanksgiving event!



3 Sunday's left in fiscal 2013 - \$25,924.97 needed to reach budget or \$8,641.66 each Sunday.

## OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE November 3, 2013

Offering = \$4,915.00 Attendance = 182 Adult S.S. = \$ 54.65 Attendance = 76 Jr. S.S. = \$ 12.96 Attendance = 31