

## ***"Power's Persuasion"***

(2 Samuel 11-12)

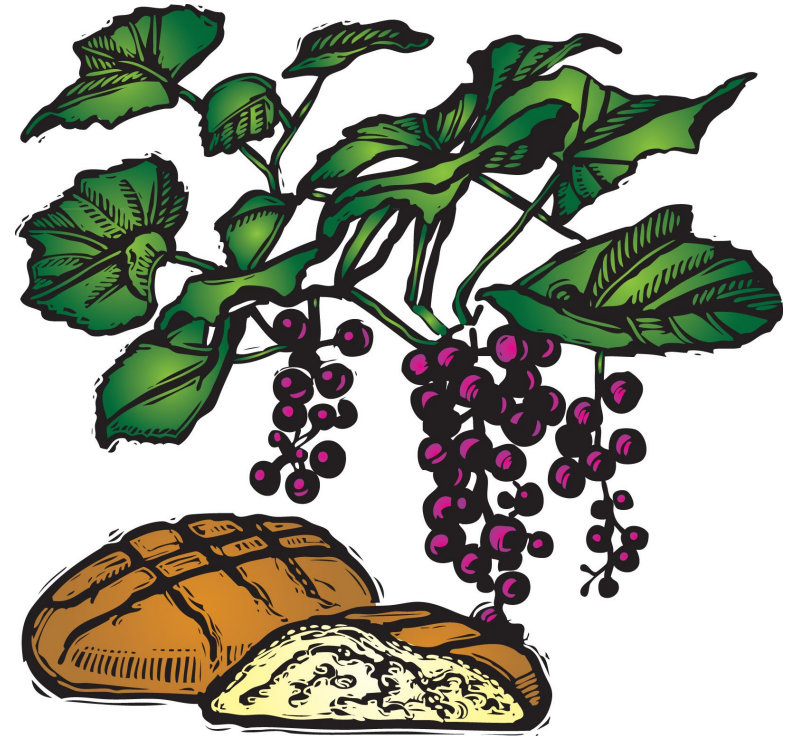
"Nathan said to David, 'You are the man!' . . . 'Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight?'"  
(2 Samuel 12:7a, 9a)

**David's Sin** (2 Samuel 11:1-27)

**Nathan's Rebuke** (2 Samuel 12:1-15)

- A. Confrontation (12:1-9)
- B. Consequences (12:10-12)
- C. Confession (12:13a)

**God's Mercy** (2 Samuel 12:13b)



*Celebrating Communion*



Tabor Mennonite Church

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

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to offer hospitality, healing and hope in the name of Christ.*

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# Year of the Bible

*"Living Into God's Story"*

Volume LIX

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No. 2

*United Monarchy: David*

Gathering

PRELUDE

Cross Road

WELCOME

Worship Leader, Jason Unruh

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Lord, open our lips

**People: and our mouths will proclaim your praise.**

Leader: You are good to those who wait for you,

**People: to all who seek you.**

**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

*"Open now thy gates of beauty"*

No. 19

\*GATHERING PRAYER

Praising

\*HYMN OF PRAISE

*"O worship the King"*

No. 66

\*GREETING EACH OTHER

SPECIAL MUSIC

*"Open the eyes of my heart"*

Youth Worship Team

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Proclaiming

CHILDREN'S STORY

Sheri Schmidt

SCRIPTURE READING

*2 Samuel 12:1-14*

Stephen Cooper

SERMON

*"Power's Persuasion"*

Pastor Phil Schmidt

Responding

CORPORATE CONFESSION

*from Psalm 51*

Leader: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your unfailing love,

**People: Blot out all our transgressions,  
according to your great compassion;**

Leader: Wash away all our iniquities and cleanse us from our sin.

**People: For we know our transgressions,  
and our sin is always before us.**

Leader: We have sinned against you  
and have done what is evil in your sight.

**All: *As a sacrifice we bring our broken and contrite hearts.***

*-- Pause for Silence --*

\*Leader: God will create in each of us a pure heart.

God will not take the Holy Spirit from us.

God will restore to us the joy of salvation  
and grant us willing spirits to sustain us.

**All: *Praise to the God of mercy who loves and forgives us.***

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE

*"There's a wideness in God's mercy"*

No. 145

SCRIPTURE READING

*Matthew 26:20-35*

Carrie Friesen

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

HYMN OF RESPONSE

*"Breath on me, breath of God"*

No. 356

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Pastor Rosie Jantz

Sending

\*SENDING HYMN

*"My life flows on"*

No. 580

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE



*Come Holy Spirit.*

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

## Today

Today we continue our yearlong journey through the Bible by focusing on failure and disruption during David's reign (2 Samuel 11-21). As we reflect on the story of David, we will also have opportunity to think about failure and disruption in our own lives. As a response, we will have time during the service for corporate confession followed by communion. As we partake of communion together we can celebrate that Jesus, unlike David, was always completely faithful to God's mission, thus showing us how to truly live into God's kingdom today.

We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Duane, Janna, Dawson and Adriana Duerksen and Donavon and Deloris Schmidt. *A special welcome is extended to all visitors.*

Childcare is provided by Sharleen Francis in the nursery during the worship service.

**10:30**—Fellowship Time/Biblical Snacks: Semolina Cake with Almonds, based on 2 Samuel 17:29.

**10:45 a.m.**—Faith Formation for everyone. Catechism: Pastor Phil's Office  
Bible Study: Rm. 113                      Bible Memory: Pastor Rosie's Office  
Discussion: Rm. 112 & 211              Biblical People: Library

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

### Monday, January 13

**7:30 p.m.**—Facilities/Finance Task Force meeting

### Wednesday, January 15

**9:30 a.m.**—Willing Helpers Work Day. *Please bring a can of soup for the noon meal.*

### ***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

### Wednesday, January 15 - Tuesday, January 21

Tabor Serves at Harvey County Homeless Shelter. *Please sign up if you can help.*

### Thursday, January 16

**7:00 p.m.**—Church Council meeting.

### Saturday, January 18

**9:30 a.m.**—WDC Lenten Retreat at Tabor.

**5:00 p.m.**—Area PCPF (Post College/Pre Family) at Tabor.

## Next Sunday, January 19

**9:00 a.m.**—Prelude. We will welcome Elbiata Singers from Goessel High School who will be providing the prelude and special music during the service.

**9:15 a.m.**—Next Sunday we will reflect on the transfer of power from David to Solomon. Scripture for reflection is 1 Kings 1-2. Pastor Phil will be preaching.

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

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

## Prayer Requests

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for the Church Planting Task Force and Gilberto Flores, Associate Conference Minister, as they attend to new church opportunities and continue to support existing church plants.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for MMN's Mike and Teresa Sherrill and their three children in Japan. Mike works as chaplain and associate professor of Christian Studies at a women's junior college. Teresa, co-pastor at West Tokyo Union Church, also ministers through hospitality and family ministries.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: As Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary distance students join campus students in Elkhart, Ind. this week, pray for a sense of community, excitement in learning and worship that challenges and renews students and faculty.

## Announcements

**Women's Events:** Willing Helpers MCC project work day is Wed. Jan. 15 from 9:30-2:30. Please bring a can of soup for lunch. MCC craft morning will be Jan 25 from 9-noon with coffee/tea & snacks. ALL WOMEN in the church are invited to both.

**Jars Needed:** The children's classes on Wednesday evening will be doing a service project in February. Wide mouth canning jars (quart size, with or without lids) are needed. If you have any to donate, put them in the supply room (16) in the basement. Thanks!

### Ministry Reporting Sunday:

- On Sunday, January 26, we will spend time during our morning worship service looking back on the past year and hearing ministry reports from our church commissions on how they have seen and joined God at work. I hope that this will inspire us to join God in fresh ways in 2014!
- During the Faith Formation hour, we will take time for some worship leader equipping. Anyone who is in the rotation for Worship Leading, Scripture Reading, Children's Storying, and Music is highly encouraged to attend. If you are interested in any of these areas, you are welcome to attend as well.
- Following Faith Formation we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a meal provided by the Tabor Youth Group. Monetary donations will go towards the Tabor Youth Ministry.

-Pastor Phil

**Fundraiser Meal:** Mennonite Heritage and Agriculture Museum will be serving the evening meal on Wednesday, January 22. Plan to come and support the museum.

**Save the date!** Tabor's 2nd Annual Marriage Enrichment Retreat will take place on March 21-23 at The Barn Bed and Breakfast Inn/Retreat Center (NE of Topeka). This retreat is open to married couples of all ages. More details to come.

**Lent Worship Planner** on January 18 at 9:30 am. at Tabor Mennonite Church. Explore music, visuals, dramas, special services and more. Norma Peters Duerksen, Renee Peters, Marlene Bogard and visual arts folks from Tabor Mennonite will offer some ideas. 316-283-6300. No charge, bring your smiles and ideas.

**Tabor Ladies Lunch Bunch** will meet at Bethesda Home on January 28. Please sign up if you plan to attend.

**Anabaptist Visioning and Discipleship Series 2014:** Are you interested in thinking more about how to make the Bible come alive? Join us at Hesston College on February 21-23 for an excellent weekend of interaction around the theme of "Reading the Bible in an Instagram World." Michele Hershberger, Marion Bontrager, Jeremy Kempf, and Ted Swartz will all be sharing throughout this weekend. If you are interested in going, please sign up with Kim in the church office. Cost is \$80/person, however, Tabor's Worship Fellowship Commission is offering \$40 scholarships for anyone wishing to attend. For information about the conference, please see the flyer posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

**KMMC Enrollment:** Today is the announced closing date for enrollment in the Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus for the 2014 singing season. However KMMC will continue to accept singers. As of yesterday Tabor Church had only four enrollments including one new singer! Do not delay--get your enrollment form with your payment to me as soon as possible. Do not miss out on this worshipful experience with like-minded men as you sing to alleviate hunger throughout the world. "We Sing That Others May Live". KMMC welcomes all singers with open arms. KMMC is an arm of the Mid-Kansas Relief Sale."

--Donavon Schmidt, Tabor Church KMMC contact

**MCC Fellowship Meals:** Please consider taking advantage of either being a guest in someone's home for Sunday dinner Feb. 23 or Mar. 2; or being a host on the same dates. Guests pay \$15 each. You will be invited to a Host's church for a fantastic dinner in the Host home. IF you decide to be a Host; then guests will be assigned to your place. This project is part of the Kansas MCC Sale and ALL money raised goes directly to the work of MCC. Read the yellow Fellowship Meal forms for more information. This is a FUN way to visit another church and learn to know others within our area Mennonite Churches.

*Tabor will also provide a Group Fellowship Meal for MCC on March 9. More information will be coming soon.*

**Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum Annual Meeting,** January 19. This year is the 140th anniversary of the 1874 migration to Kansas. It is also the 40th anniversary of the museum! With that in mind, come to Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church to hear Brian Stucky, local historian, share a special presentation titled "Why the Stories are Important". The meeting will start at 2:30 in the Fellowship Hall with faspas following the presentation. Museum memberships will be available upon your arrival.

**Directory Updates** are due Jan. 17. Please contact the church office with additions, changes or corrections to the Tabor Church Directory. If you would like your cell phone number listed in the directory please let us know. ***Please note: this includes updates to committees and appointed positions.***

**Database information:** Please submit your cell phone number to the church office so that it can be included on the emergency call list. *We will not list your cell phone number in the directory unless you have specified that we do so.*

*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.*

### OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE January 5, 2013

Offering	=	\$ 5,435.00	Attendance	=	104
Adult S.S.	=	\$ 20.65	Attendance	=	40
Jr. S.S.	=	\$ 10.50	Attendance	=	14