

Palm Sunday: Mission

Tabor Mennonite Church

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PALM SUNDAY Mission

Gathering / Praising

PFELUDE

Ken Rodgers

"It Take a Village" -Joan Szymko Hesston College International Chorale

WELCOME

Worship Leader, Jason Unruh

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 21:1-11

PROCESSIONAL

"Hosanna, loud hosanna" -vv. 1-2

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*CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalms 118:24-29*

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;

People: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Leader: Lord, save us!

People: Lord, grant us success!

Leader: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: From the house of the Lord we bless you.

Leader: The Lord is God and has given us light.

**People: With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession
up to the horns of the altar.**

Leader: You are my God, and I will praise you;

People: You are our God, we will exalt you.

**ALL: We give thanks to the Lord who is good,
whose steadfast love endures forever!**

*GATHERING HYMN

"Hosanna, loud hosanna" -v. 3

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*GATHERING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"Ride on, ride on in majesty"

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*PASSING THE PEACE

"The Peace of Christ be with you" ~ "and also with you."

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS *MCC Sale Report*

Proclaiming

SPECIAL MUSIC “*Saints Bound for Heaven*” -arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw
“*Come Away to the Skies*” -arr. Alice Parker Chorale

CHILDREN’S STORY Eric Litwiller

SCRIPTURE *Jeremiah 7:1-11* Krista Graber
Matthew 21:12-17 Katy Schmidt

The word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON “*Shattering Expectations*” Pastor Phil Schmidt

Responding

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION

WORDS OF RESPONSE

O reigning God:

We give you thanks for your son, Jesus who rode in triumph into the city of Jerusalem.

He was honored and acclaimed as king.

We thank you that he came, showing us the reign of God, not as an earthly king,

but as a servant to many, obedient to pain, rejection, and defilement,

to complete your plan of salvation for all.

Let our words proclaim Christ as King of our lives

and confess him as Lord, to the glory of your name. Amen.

SONG OF RESPONSE “*Marvelous in our eyes*” -vv. 1, 4-6 No. 143CS
accompanists, Doug and Jude Krehbiel, Emil Schmidt,
Mary and Phil Schmidt, Michael Unruh

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Pastor Rosie Jantz

PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR THE OFFERING

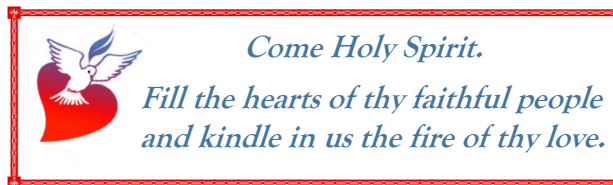
OFFERING OUR GIFTS Chorale
“*I Got a Home in-a-dat Rock*” arr. Moses Hogan

Sending

CHORAL BENEDICTION “*Dub Tvoj Blagi*” -Pavel Chesnokov Chorale
Translation: *Let Thy good spirit lead me on a level path. —Psalm 143:10*

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE



Today

Today is Palm Sunday, the first day of Holy Week in the Christian Year. This morning we will reflect on Jesus’ triumphal entrance into Jerusalem in conjunction with related prophetic passages of scripture. God’s vision for the temple was for it to be a house of prayer for all nations (Isaiah 56:7), but the Jewish leaders had turned it into a den of robbers (Jeremiah 7:11). How will God respond?

A special welcome to the Hesston College International Chorale who will be providing special music this morning.

We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God’s love. This morning you were greeted by Denise and Elton Nickel and Kristin and Michelle Unruh *A special welcome is extended to all visitors.*

Childcare is provided by Janna Duerksen in the nursery during the worship service.

The flowers are in celebration of Alvin Schmidt’s 90th birthday. Praise God for a long and full life!



10:45—Fellowship Time/Biblical Snacks.

Journey to the Cross: Sugar cookie crosses.

Brunch for Hesston College Choir and Tabor Church high school students in the Fellowship Hall.

11:00—Faith Formation for everyone. Catechism: Pastor Phil’s office

Praying the Scriptures: Rm 17 Bible Discussion: Rm 112 & 211

Bible Study: Rm 113

Drama: 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.

3:30—Tabor leads chapel at Kidron Bethel.

This Week

Tuesday, April 15

12:30 p.m.—Staff lunch/meeting

Wednesday, April 16

6:30—Faithful Fitness

7:00—TMYF

7:30—Adult Choir



Thursday, April 17

6:00 p.m.—Maundy Thursday Service: Come for a light meal followed by a service which will include communion. *Please sign up on the bulletin board if you would like to provide a loaf of bread for the meal.*

Friday, April 18

7:30 p.m.—Good Friday Service: The Goessel Ministerial Alliance invites everyone to a Community Good Friday Service at Alexanderwohl Church. A special feature will be music by both the Alexanderwohl and Tabor chancel choirs. There will be an offering for the Goessel Ministerial Alliance to help support the needs within our community. Childcare will be provided for children through age 5 in the church nursery. Come join us in remembering Christ's sacrifice and boundless love for us!

Saturday, April 19

2:00 p.m.—Tabor Church Easter Egg Hunt in the church park. All ages through 5th grade are welcome. Please bring an Easter basket if you have one. It will be canceled if there is bad weather.

Share an Easter Lily in honor/memory of a loved one on Easter Sunday. Names of those to be honored along with names of those sharing the lilies need to be turned in to the church office by Tuesday, April 15 to be listed in the bulletin. Lilies need to be brought to the church and left in the foyer by noon on April 19th.



Next Sunday, April 20

8:30 a.m.—Easter Brunch. Come and enjoy food and fellowship as we celebrate the Resurrection!

9:30 a.m.—Jesus is Alive! Share in the joy of Easter as we worship and praise God together through word and song.

No Faith Formation

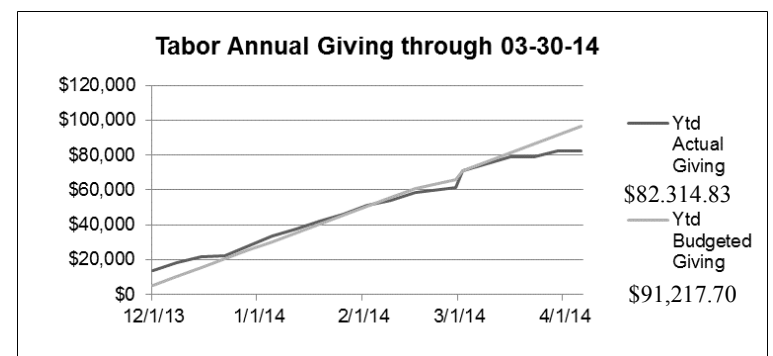
Prayer Requests

The following requests were shared on April 6.

- ★ Jerry Toews shared that he was blessed by the youth's participation in the worship service and encouraged them to keep using their gifts to help make this world a better place.

Remember to pray for:

- ★ *Caring Quilt Locations:* The Caring Quilts are home.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for Brett Klingenberg, pastor of First Mennonite Church, Beatrice, NE, who will be ordained to pastoral ministry today.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Rejoice with Alfonsina and José Oyanguren of MMN. The completed translation of the Bible into the language of the Toba-Qom people of Argentina is scheduled to be released this week. Pray that many will have a deeper understanding of God's love for them when they hear God's word in their mother tongue.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Bethel College. Thank God for gifts of peacemaking, conflict resolution and women's empowerment that Palwasha Kakar, Bethel College's Young Alumnus Award winner for 2014, uses in her work, on which she will speak Monday evening in a Peace Lecture at the college.



Announcements

A very special "Thank You" to all the folks that sponsored us on the MCC walk. You are most kind! -Lee and Phyllis Goertzen

This just in: listen to Tabor Worship Services online! Simply go to our website (www.tabormennonite.org) and click on the "Sunday Worship/Sermons" link from the homepage.

Willing Helpers will meet on April 21 at 7pm to hear from this year's exchange students along with Carol Duerksen. Refreshments to follow. All women are invited.

Tabor Ladies Lunch Bunch will meet at Bethesda on April 22. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you plan to attend.

Spring Work Day - The trustee's are planning our annual spring work day for May 3, starting at 8:00 am. Please plan to attend and help out as there will be something for everyone.

Summer Camps! Are you planning on going to Camp Mennoscah or Rocky Mountain Camp this summer? Sign up on the bulletin board to receive a scholarship from the Tabor Education Commission. Pay your registration fee in full and you will be reimbursed \$50 when you sign up. Note: early registration discount for Camp Mennoscah ends on May 1.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

April 6, 2014

Offering = \$5,209.00	Attendance = 176
Adult S.S. = \$ 34.75	Attendance = 61
Jr. S.S. = \$ 16.19	Attendance = 28

Coming this summer! Reliving and singing.

Shattering Expectations

Jeremiah 7, Matthew 21 (and much more...)

"It is written," Jesus said to them, "My house will be called a house of prayer,' but you are making it 'a den of robbers.'" (Matthew 21:13)

False Confidence (Matthew 21:1-11)

- Spreading cloaks and branches (see 2 Kings 9:13)
- Shouting "Hosanna to the Son of David!" (see 2 Samuel 5:6-10)

False Security (Matthew 21:12-17)

- Buying and Selling (see Jeremiah 7:6-7)
- "The temple of the Lord...a den of robbers" (Jeremiah 7:4, 11)

True Confidence

- "He will proclaim peace to the nations" (Zechariah 9:10)
- Jesus healed the blind and the lame (see 2 Samuel 5:8)

True Security

- "Maintain justice and do what is right" (Isaiah 56:1)
- "A house of prayer for all nations" (Isaiah 56:7)



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Prelude: 9:15am

Worship: 9:30am

Fellowship Time: 10:30am

Faith Formation: 10:45am

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