



Revelation of Jesus

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Year of the Bible

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Christ ~ Pentecost: *Revelation of Jesus*

Gathering/Praising

PRELUDE

Michelle Unruh

WELCOME

Worship Leader, Pastor Rosie Jantz

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let us gather with the faithful
from every nation, race, people, and language,
to worship the God made known to us in Christ Jesus.

**People: To God, the ruler of the universe, and to Jesus the Lamb
be blessing and honor, glory and might forever and ever.**

Leader: Let us gather in God's presence, singing songs of praise and joy,
with the people of God in every place and time.

**People: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,
who was, and is, and is to come.**

**All: The whole earth is full of God's glory.
Glory be to God most high.**

*GATHERING HYMN

"Holy, holy, holy!"

No. 120

*GATHERING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE

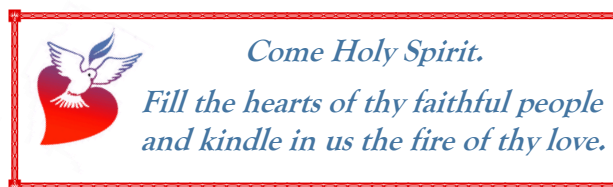
"Crown him with many crowns"

No. 116

*PASSING THE PEACE

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

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Proclaiming

CHILDREN'S STORY	<i>"New Creation"</i>	Pastor Phil Schmidt
HYMN	<i>"Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing"</i>	No. 110
SCRIPTURE	<i>Revelation 1:1-8; 22:6-21</i>	Jim and Diana Schmidt
The Word of God for the People of God <i>Thanks be to God!</i>		
SERMON	<i>"Things are not as they seem"</i>	Pastor Phil Schmidt

Responding

*WORDS OF RESPONSE		No. 711
*HYMN OF RESPONSE	<i>"My life flows on"</i>	No. 580
PRAYER OF DEDICATION FOR THE OFFERING		
OFFERING OUR GIFTS		
SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER		Pastor Rosie Jantz

Sending

*SENDING HYMN	<i>"New earth, heavens new"</i>	No. 299
*BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE		

Today

Today we turn our focus to the book of Revelation. Throughout this powerful book, we receive many different images: images of hope as well as images of judgment. Our challenge is to take seriously the words of judgment while holding firmly onto our hope in Jesus, the lamb of God.

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 Carol Duerksen and Maynard Knepp and Katy Schmidt. *A special welcome is extended to all visitors.*

Childcare is provided by Nancy Schroeder in the nursery during the worship service.

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.

10:45 a.m.—Fellowship Time/Biblical Snacks

11:00 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone. Biblical Jeopardy
Special children's only round for grades 2nd - 8th grade.
Wee Wonder - 1st grade: meet in rooms 11-12 for stories, music and more!

2:00-4:00 p.m.—Wedding reception for Jason and Anna Unruh in the fellowship hall.

This Week

Tuesday, September 2

12:30p.m.—Staff meeting

7:30 p.m.—Trustee meeting

Wednesday, September 3

6:30 p.m.—Faithful Fitness

7:00 p.m.—SHINE Teacher Orientation: Teachers and Helpers for Wee Wonder through grade 8 meet in the Library and room 112. Come for a fun introduction to the new SHINE curriculum!

Thursday, September 4

12:00 p.m.—Newton Lunch Bunch

Next Sunday, September 7

9:15 a.m.—Prelude

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday we celebrate the beginning of the new Shine curriculum that will be used for children's Faith Formation. We will also have opportunity during the service to introduce and bless our Faith Formation Facilitators/Teachers for this upcoming year.

10:45 a.m.—Fellowship Time

11:00 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone

Prayer Requests

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for the new Church Planting Commission as they receive orientation to the theology, principles, and practices of developing new churches.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for Janet Stucky of MMN as she continues to develop language fluency, and as she writes a project proposal for Bethesda Hospital in Benin detailing the nutritional needs of women and young children.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for the annual Instituto Bíblico Anabautista (IBA) student retreat taking place this weekend. Pray for speaker Byron Pellecer. May this event be a time to learn more about God's word, a source of new energy, a time for spiritual growth, a time for fellowship, and a time to build new friendships.

Announcements

Thank you, thank you, thank you for the beautiful birthday flowers. I'm still enjoying them. God bless you. -Norma Martinez

Fall Faith Formation Electives for Adults: Beginning next Sunday, September 7: Ordinary Miracles, Bible Study-Adult Quarterly, Worship Response/Discussion, Book Study/Discussion, Life Stories Workshop. Please see newsletter for details.

Life Stories Workshop: Laurie Oswald Robinson, workshop leader, encourages participants to explore their life and family history in a safe, confidential environment. Cost: \$60 (covers all materials and instruction fees.) Maximum class size: 15. This workshop will begin on Sept. 21 (note change in date.) **Sign up by September 14.**

Year of the Bible Celebration weekend will take place September 13-14. Come enjoy the Festival of Booths on Saturday evening in the church park and a celebration service on Sunday morning. Saturday: 5:00-8:00 p.m. - activity, learning, service, food booths; 8:00-10:00 p.m. - group games, campfire, movie; camp out over night & breakfast for the campers. Sunday: morning worship in the park. Sign up sheets and posters with more information are on the Year of the Bible bulletin board just outside the pastor's office.

The "Toys and More" booth for the Year of the Bible Festival of Booths could still use more items: toys, puzzles, games, sports equipment, etc. There is still time to clean out the garage or that spare room. These donations can be placed in Room 13 at the bottom of the stairs. THANK YOU to those who have already contributed.

Facilities Faspá: Church Council is recommending that we as a congregation spend more time discussing the proposed facilities plan. For this reason, we would like to invite everyone to join us for a "Facilities Faspá" on Sunday, Sept. 21 at 4pm in the current Fellowship Hall. This will be an opportunity for all of us to share and listen to our hopes and concerns related to the plan. More details to come.

Pictures for the new Pictorial Directory are scheduled to be taken Sept. 24-27. Setting up your appointment online saves you \$10 on any purchase you decide to make from the photo company. Online scheduling is now available. Go to the church website (<http://tabormennonite.org>) and click on the link to set up a time for your family! If you need any help scheduling your time please contact Mary Schmidt or Sheri Schmidt.

The Goodlywed Game: Tabor Deacons are planning a marriage enrichment gathering for all married couples on Sunday, Sept. 28 in the evening. We will eat dessert, play a version of the "Newlywed Game", and have a lot of fun enriching our marriages! See the marriage moment in this month's newsletter for more details.

Timbrel: An order for group rates for Timbrel Magazine, a magazine produced by Mennonite Women, USA, advocating women's issues and stories, will be submitted soon by Willing Helpers. If you wish to order, contact Denise Nickel at oreo@mtelco.net, call her at 367-2226, or put a note in her church mailbox. The group prices are: one year \$13.00, two years \$24.00, three years \$39.00. Please let Denise know by Sept. 3.

Kansas State Fair Shuttle Tractor Drivers needed. Please help us fill the Tabor assignment. Our date is Thurs., Sept. 11. We still need to provide 2 drivers for the 4-7pm shift and 1 driver for the 7-9:30pm shift. Please help. Contact Leann or Jerry Toews or Kris or Archie Schmidt. THANKS. Free ticket given to drivers.

MCC Flatlander Bicycle Ride will take place on September 20. Please see the bulletin board and community announcements for more info. Nathan Ashley is participating in the ride. If you would like to make a donation, place it in his mail box.

