Tabor Mennonite Church

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Today

Today as we celebrate Epiphany, we will introduce our new worship series focused on the Biblical letter of Revelation. Over the next several weeks, we will reflect together on how the powerful message of Revelation speaks into our lives today. This morning, we will focus

on Revelation 1 and how it introduces much of what is to come. We will also celebrate communion together during worship 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 Russ and Barb Abrahams and Keith and Barb Banman. *A special welcome is extended to all visitors*.

Childcare is provided by Sharleen Francis 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.

All college-age people are invited to Les and Cynthia Goerzen's home today, right after the church service for devotions and visiting, followed by lunch.

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

- —New! Faith Formation Group for Women: There will be a group forming to share reflections and join in discussion around the morning worship themes beginning today in room 211. This group will also spend time sharing and praying together for a variety of needs.
- **—BASIC class** will begin meeting in the Northwest portion of the Fellowship Hall.

Noon—Fellowship Planning Team meets at the church parsonage.

4:00 p.m.—Tabor leads chapel at Bethesda.

Due to the inclement weather and cancellation of our worship service last Sunday, you will find todays order of worship in the January 5 bulletin, which you received this morning.

This Week

Sunday, January 11—Tuesday, January 13

Tabor serves at Harvey County Homeless Shelter

Tuesday, January 13

12:30 p.m.—Staff Meeting

Wednesday, January 14

Wednesday Evening Activities

5:45 - 6:30 p.m.—Supper Please sign up

6:30 - 7:30 p.m.—Faithful Fitness

6:30 - 6:45 p.m.—Music (Age 3 - Gr. 8)

6:45 - 7:30 p.m.—Faith Friends, Faith Adventure, Adult Bible Study

6:45 - 8:00 p.m.—Faith Adventure, Youth Explorers

7:00 - 8:00 p.m.—TMYF

7:30 - 8:30 p.m.—Adult Choir

Thursday, January 15

7:00 p.m.—Christian Education meeting.

—Outreach Executive meeting.

Next Sunday, January 18

9:15 a.m.—Prelude

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday we continue reflecting on Revelation by focusing on John's letters to the seven churches in Revelation 2-3. Pastor Phil will be preaching.

10:45 a.m.—Fellowship Time.

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

6:00 p.m.—The Next PCPF (Post-college, Pre-family) gathering will be at Kristin Unruh's apartment in Hesston.

Prayer Requests

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Caring Quilt Locations: The Caring Quilts are home.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray God's blessing on our Texas pastors who met yesterday in Austin, Texas, around the theme, "Cultural Bridges and Borders," led by Associate Conference Minister, Gilberto Flores.

- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: This month, Palmer Becker begins a short-term assignment in Latin America, jointly sponsored by MMN and Mennonite Church Canada. Pray for him as he helps Latin American Anabaptists understand their theological identity in order to minister more faithfully in their modern contexts.
- Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for Goshen College students as they depart for Lima, Peru for the next three months as they participate in the Study-Service Term program.

Announcements

Facilities Survey and Conversation: In order to continue the Tabor facilities process, a follow-up survey is now available for you to fill out! On Sunday, January 25, during Faith Formation, we will gather as a congregation for a follow-up facilities conversation. The purpose of this survey is to give us several good starting points for that conversation. We would like to have survey responses from all Tabor members and attenders. If you received the survey electronically, please fill it out online. If you do not have access to a computer, hard copies are available for you to fill out. Please fill out the survey by Sunday, January 18.

~Pastor Phil (on behalf of Church Council, the Facilities Task Force, and the Finance Task Force)

Business Secretary: Tabor Church remains in need of an individual to fill the position of Business Secretary. If you are interested in serving the church in this way please let Pastor Phil or Jim Schmidt know.

Women of Tabor Mennonite Church: You will find a list of Monthly Meetings for 2015 and also a special invitation to come out and help tie comforters on January 19 at 6:30 p.m. We will be also be talking about the suggested changes for 2015.

Job openings: We are looking for a few new people to run sound and operate the video camera. Please contact Pastor Phil if you are interested in helping with these ministries.

Everyone is invited to a farewell service for Gilberto Flores, retiring WDC Associate Conference Minister, on January 18 at 5:00 pm at First Mennonite Church, Newton, KS.

The Mennonite Heritage and Agricultural Museum's Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 18 at 2:30 pm at the Tabor Mennonite Church. There will be a short business meeting followed by a presentation by Peggy Goertzen, "Places of Historical Significance to Mennonites in Marion County." Peggy is the Director of the Center for Mennonite Brethren Studies at Tabor College. Faspa will follow.

Hesston College:

—The Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series (AVDS) conference is Feb. 13-15 at Hesston College, "Overcoming Evil: Ordinary People Making a Difference."

—Nationally recognized artist Ted Swartz of Ted & Co. TheatreWorks brings the scriptures alive in "I'd Like to Buy an Enemy," a hilarious and poignant satire that explores peace, justice and the American way. The play is part of the 2015 Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series (AVDS), Sat., February 14 at 7 p.m., Hesston Mennonite Church. Tickets are \$12 or free with conference registration. Additional information/registration at www.hesston.edu/avds or call

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Bethel College:

—The public is invited to a celebration for Rachel Pannabecker's 30 years of service to Kauffman Museum; Jan. 11, 3:30 p.m. in the museum, including tributes, live music and refreshments.

—Jan. 18-19 – Bethel College's annual celebration of the life and legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.

—Jan. 31 – annual Kansas Day celebration.

For details call 316-284-5247 or go online: www.bethelks.edu



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

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