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WHAT IS AN ANABAPTIST CHRISTIAN? JESUS IS THE CENTER OF OUR FAITH

Today we begin a three-week series focusing on core Anabaptist values. Our specific focus this morning is that "Jesus is the center of our faith."

GATHERING / PRAISING

PRELUDE

Doug and Jude Krehbiel, Brian Voth, Peter and Katherine Goerzen

*WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

Carol Duerksen

*GATHERING HYMN

"I love to tell the story"

No. 398

*GATHERING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"This is a story full of love"

No. 315

*PASSING THE PEACE The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING

CHILDREN'S STORY

Peter Goerzen

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

No. 714

Special Music "Lord Jesus, you shall be my song"

SCRIPTURE Selections from I Corinthians 3, Matthew 5, Hebrews 1 & 12

Barb Banman, Dale Alderfer

The Word of God for the people of God ~ Thanks be to God!

SERMON "J

"Jesus is the Center of our Faith"

Pastor Phil Schmidt

RESPONDING

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

"When we walk with the Lord"

No. 544

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Pastor Doug Krehbiel

SENDING

*SENDING HYMN

"Joy to the world"

No. 318

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Today

We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Warren, Sheri, and Joshua Schmidt and Bob and Erlene Unruh. *A special welcome is extended to all visitors*.

Childcare is provided by Sharleen Francis 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.—Faith Formation for everyone. *12 Scriptures Project continues*. High School through adults meet in the sanctuary.

12:00p.m.—Potluck meal followed by a facilities presentation. Eat and meet in the fellowship hall.

7:00 pm: Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus concert this evening in Presser Hall, Bethany College, Lindsborg. A free-will offering will be received for MCC worldwide relief at each concert.

This Week

Monday May 4 - Sunday, Mary 10

Pastor Phil and family will be on vacation. Contact Pastor Rosie or Pastor Doug with pastoral concerns.

Tuesday, May 5

7:00 p.m.—Church Council

Wednesday, May 6

6:30 p.m.—Faithful Fitness

7:00 p.m.—VBS Staff orientation

Thursday, May 7

12:00 p.m.—Newton Lunch Bunch

Friday, May 8 - Saturday, May 9

TMYF Lock in @ Tabor

Next Sunday, May 10

9:15 a.m.—Prelude

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday we continue our series focusing on core Anabaptist values. Our specific theme next Sunday is: "Community is the center of our lives." Pastor Rosie will be preaching.

10:45 a.m.— Faith Formation for everyone. Adults will meet in the sanctuary to hear a presentation from Marvin Zehr regarding Pastor Phil's recent review.

Prayer Requests

The following requests were shared on Sunday, April 26

★ Pastor Phil shared that Pastor Rosie has been officially ordained and that an ordination celebration will take place on May 24. Praise God for Rosie's ministry among us!

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Our Church community as we discern next steps with regards to a new facilities proposal. Lord, hear our prayer.
- ★ Our Church community as we search for a new half-time Associate Pastor. Lord, hear our prayer.
- ★ Our Mission Partners, Wes and Deb Bergen, serving in Ghana. Keep up with what they are doing at www.bergenbeats.wordpress.com.
- ★ Caring Quilt Locations: The Caring Quilt is with Karina Brandt. The children's quilt is home.

Announcements

Thanks be to God and thanks to all the folks that helped us move and get ready for our sale. It was appreciated so very much. Our new address is: 3057 lvy Court, North Newton, Kansas 67117. Phone: 316-804-7138 Do come over!!

-Lee and Phyllis Goertzen

The Western District Conference Executive Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Heidi Regier Kreider as the new Conference Minister. She will begin her service as conference minister on August 17. For more information, please see the Conference and Community Announcement page.

Associate Pastor Search: With the resignation of Pastor Doug, Deacons and Pastor Phil have been acting as a preliminary search committee to discern next steps. We affirm hiring a half-time Associate Pastor who will focus on youth ministry as well as share his or her ministry gifts in a variety of ways, potentially including preaching, children's ministry, teaching, worship leading, and pastoral care. We hope to find a pastor whose gifts will complement the current staff team. Please share any comments or questions that you have with a Deacon or Pastor Phil.

Teacher Appreciation Lunch and Creation Care Summer Faith Formation Launch on Sunday May 17. Please sign up on the bulletin board by Sunday May 10.

The McPherson Community Brass Choir under the direction of Jerry Toews will give their Spring Concert Tues., May 5 at 7 pm in The Church of the Brethren, 200 N. Carrie St., McPherson. Come for an evening of fun music: Marches, Wabash Cannonball, Sweet Spirit, Holst 2nd Suite and more.

Biking Across Kansas (BAK) is coming to Goessel on June 10-11. Approximately 900 bicyclists from 36 states will be arriving late in the morning on the 10th and leaving after breakfast on the 11th. Sign-up sheets for food, donations, and serving at the event, plus more information will be coming on May 10. Thank you for helping to support this community event!

On the bulletin board:

- -Mennonite Central Committee response to earthquake in Nepal. See poster on the bulletin board and check the Conference and Community Announcements to learn about ways that you can help.
- -Invitation to Hannah Miller's High School graduation from Iowa Mennonite School on May 24.

Additional prayer requests and announcements are on the Community and Conference page, which was either emailed to you or can be found in your church mailbox. Additional copies can be found in the literature rack.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE April 26, 2015				
Offering =	\$ 3,366.25	Attendance	=	165
Offering = : Adult S.S. =	\$ 60.85	Attendance	=	66
Jr. S.S. =	\$ 20.39	Attendance	=	24



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

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