Tabor Mennonite Church

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LIVING INK: LEAPING OFF THE PAGE

God, the Author of the grand story, invites us to drink in the good news that we are part of this abundant narrative. We become living words that leap off the page into all of our relationships: with God, with each other, and with creation.

GATHERING, CONFESSING, AND RECONCILING

Prelude

Diane Unruh

INTROIT "Lift up your voice" -by Kathy Bowen

Women's Chorus

*WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP Ps. 63: 1-8 Pastor Katherine Goerzen

*GATHERING PRAYER

*GATHERING HYMN "As the deer pants for the water"

No. 68CS

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RECONCILIATION

*WORDS AND HYMN OF ASSURANCE "Taste and see" No. 86STJ

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

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROCLAIMING GOD'S STORY

WORSHIP MUSIC "Wells of Salvation"-by Karen Andres Women's Chorus

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 55: 1-9

Pastor Rosie Jantz

Luke 13: 1-9

Peter Goerzen

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

CHILDREN'S STORY

Ilona Abrahams

SERMON

"Hopeful Urgency"

Pastor Phil Schmidt

RESPONDING TO GOD'S STORY

RITUAL OF RESPONSE

HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Thou true Vine, that heals"

No. 373

OFFERING OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER

SENDING

*SENDING HYMN

"I am thine, O Lord"

No. 505

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

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We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Bill and Sherry Unruh and Rod and Ilona Abrahams. *A special welcome is extended to all visitors*.

At the back of the sanctuary there is a quiet room for infants and mothers, as well as a toddler nursery for those age three and under, staffed today by Eric Litwiller.

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.

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

3:30 p.m.—Tabor leads Chapel at Kidron

This Week

Tuesday, March 1

9:30 a.m.—Staff meeting

7:00 p.m.—Church Council

Wednesday, March 2

Wednesday Evening Activities

5:20 p.m.—Faithful Fitness

5:45 p.m.—Supper: soup, bread/crackers, veggies, brownies

6:25 p.m.—Welcome for everyone

6:30 p.m.—Music for all ages (age 3-grade 8)

6:45 p.m.—Faith Friends, Faith Adventure, Youth Explorers, Adult Bible Study

7:00 p.m.—TMYF

7:45 p.m.—Adult Choir

Thursday, March 3

12:00 p.m.—Newton Lunch Bunch

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE February 21, 2016

Offering = \$ 3,122.00 Attendance = 193 Adult S.S. = \$ 25.02 Attendance = 49 Jr. S.S. = \$ 9.95 Attendance = 28

Next Sunday, March 6

9:15 a.m.—Prelude

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday is the Fourth Sunday in Lent. The theme is "Living Ink: Turning Over a New Leaf." Scriptures are Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32 and the Tabor Youth will lead the service.

10:45 a.m.—Fellowship Time

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

12:00 p.m.—Jr. High Camp WaShunga Community Fundraiser at the Goessel High School cafeteria.

4:00 p.m.—Pi Faspa

6:00 p.m.—Catechism class will meet

Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ Those impacted by the shootings in Newton and Hesston on Thursday. Pray for God's peace and comfort to be fully present. Pray for peacemakers. Lord hear our prayer.
- ★ Caring Quilt Locations: The caring quilts are home.

Dates to Remember:

March 7: Tabor Mennonite Women meet with Exchange Students

March 7-9: Comforter Blitz

March 13: Daylight Savings Time Begins

-MCC Fellowship Meal

March 17: Stories and Stuff

-Mennonite Women Spring Supper at Whitestone Mennonite Church

March 20: Palm Sunday

March 24: Maundy Thursday--Holy Week Service at Tabor, Communion

March 27: Easter Sunday--Breakfast & Worship, Communion

April 6: Pine Car Derby

April 8-9: KS MCC Relief Sale

April 24: Fellowship Event--Progressive Dinner

April 25: Tabor Mennonite Women Salad Supper

May 1: Membership Meal

May 8: Child Dedications

May 15: Pentecost--Baptisms, welcoming new members and Communion

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



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

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