

Tabor Mennonite Church

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Holy Humor Sunday

Following in the footsteps of early church leaders, we gather on this Sunday after Easter to celebrate “The Easter Laugh”, proclaiming that God is triumphant over the fallen powers and that through the resurrection of Jesus, it is God, and not the devil, who has the last laugh.

GATHERING AND PRAISING

PRELUDE		Russell Adrian
INTROIT	<i>“Give to us Laughter”</i>	Sisters Forever
*WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP		
*GATHERING HYMN	<i>“Sing with all the saints in glory”</i>	No. 92STS
*GATHERING PRAYER		
*HYMN OF JOY	<i>“Lord of the Dance”</i>	No. 58CS
*PASSING THE JOY OF CHRIST		
COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS		

PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS

CHILDREN’S STORY		Kim Funk
WORSHIP MUSIC	<i>“Come and Dine”</i> -by C.B. Widmeyer	Sisters Forever
SCRIPTURE READING	<i>1 Corinthians 1: 18-2: 5</i> <i>Luke 24: 36-53</i>	Nancy Schroeder Janna Duerksen
	The Word of God for the people of God ~ <i>Thanks be to God!</i>	
SERMON		Pastor Katherine Goerzen

RESPONDING

HYMN OF RESPONSE	<i>“At the Lamb’s high feast”</i>	No. 262
OFFERING OUR GIFTS		
CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER		Pastor Katherine Goerzen

SENDING

*SENDING HYMN	<i>“Christ who left his home in glory”</i>	No. 283
*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 Duane, Janna, Dawson and Adriana Duerksen and Shannon, Carrie, Reed and Alexy Friesen. *A special welcome is extended to all visitors.*

For parents who have children and don't know it, 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 Sarahanne Unruh.

In the pew pockets are **Welcome Cards** and **Prayer Request Cards**. If you are a visitor to Tabor, please fill out a **Welcome Card** and return it in the offering bag. If you have a prayer request or praise item, please fill out a **Prayer Request Card** and return to a Pastor's mailbox.

11:00 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone. All college-age people are invited to Les and Cynthia Goerzen's home after the church service for devotions and visiting, followed by lunch.

Please sign up to help with VBS. Eunice Nickel will be in the foyer this morning with sign up sheets. Thanks for volunteering!

6:00 p.m.—Catechism class will meet.

This Week

Pastor Rosie is in Illinois for her Aunts funeral. She will return this afternoon.

Today-Tuesday, April 5

Tabor serves at the Harvey County Homeless Shelter

Tuesday, April 5

9:30 a.m.—Staff meeting

4:15 p.m.—Fellowship planning team meeting

7:00 p.m.—Church Council

Wednesday, April 6

5:20 p.m.—Faithful Fitness

7:00 p.m.—Pine Car Derby

Thursday, April 7

12:00 p.m.—Newton Lunch Bunch

6:30 p.m.—What's Cookin'?

Friday, April 8 - Saturday April 9

Kansas MCC Sale at State Fairgrounds in Hutchinson

Next Sunday, April 10

9:15 a.m.—Prelude.

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday is the third Sunday of Easter. Scriptures are Acts 9:1-6; Psalm 30; Revelation 5:11-14 and John 21:1-19 and Pastor Rosie will be preaching.

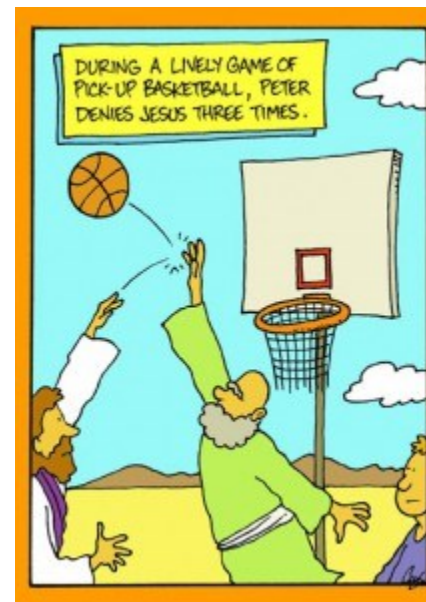
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Dates to Remember:

April 21: Stories and Stuff
 April 24: Teacher Appreciation Breakfast
 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
 June 6-8: Vacation Bible School

"Never let anything so fill you with sorrow as to make you forget for one moment the joy of Christ risen." -Mother Tere



"Joy is something released from within, not acquired from without... Whether it has been placed there by circumstances, other people or our own response to the trials of life, let us roll away the stone that would keep God-given joy entombed within us, and tap the power of the resurrection of our Lord. Easter Joy!"

-Claire M. Bastien

"The One who sits in the heavens laughs" (Psalm 2:4)

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.

OFFERING & ATTENDANCE
March 27, 2016

Offering = \$ 4, 078.00 Attendance = 217



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Prelude: 9:15am Worship: 9:30am
 Fellowship Time: 10:30am Faith Formation: 10:45am
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As God's children and the body of Christ, we are called by God to offer hospitality, healing and hope in the name of Christ.

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