

Tabor Mennonite Church

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On the Road to Emmaus

The Grace of Uncertainty

This morning we warmly welcome Dale Schrag, who will be preaching a well-received sermon that he shared at the MCUSA Convention this past summer. His question that he poses to the church is: is it possible that a lack of absolute certainty on important issues might be a gift rather than a problem?

GATHERING AND PRAISING

PRELUDE Michelle Unruh and Diane Unruh

*WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP Carol Duerksen

*GATHERING HYMN “Immortal, invisible, God only wise” No. 70

*GATHERING PRAYER No. 676

*HYMN OF PRAISE “Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah” No. 50

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

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

PROCLAIMING

WORSHIP MUSIC “Hymn of Spring” -Jon Schmidt Mark Schmidt

CHILDREN’S STORY Sharleen Francis

SCRIPTURE READING *Luke 24: 13-24* Pastor Rosie Jantz
The Word of God for the people of God ~ **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON “The Grace of Uncertainty” Dale Schrag

RESPONDING

*HYMN OF RESPONSE “’Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus” No. 340

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER Pastor Katherine Goerzen

SENDING

*SENDING HYMN “We are often tossed and driven” -vv. 1-3 No. 72 STS

*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 Susan Merrifield and Rusten Schroeder and Warren and Sheri Schmidt. *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 Sharleen Francis.

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.

10:45 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone. Adults will meet in the sanctuary with Dale Schrag for discussion.

Garden Produce is available on the table in the food pantry room. *Donations for the Tabor Food Pantry are welcome.*

This Week

Tuesday, August 2

9:30 a.m.—Staff meeting

Wednesday, August 3

5:45 p.m.—Faithful Fitness

Friday, August 5 - Sunday, August 7

Goessel Country Threshing Days

Next Sunday, August 7

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday the theme will be “Do not worry?”. Scripture is taken from Luke 12:22-34, and Pastor Katherine will be preaching.

10:45 a.m.—Finger Food Fellowship and games and activities for all ages in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring finger foods to share. Drinks provided.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE July 24, 2016

Offering	= \$ 4,902.71	Attendance	= 136
Adult F.F.	= \$ 46.83	Attendance	= 60
Jr. F.F.	= \$ 5.70	Attendance	= 20

Prayer Requests

The following requests were shared on Sunday, July 24.

- ★ Pastor Katherine shared a lament about the racial violence and injustice so prevalent within our country, political systems, justice systems, and the world. Let us pray in solidarity with those whose hearts and bodies are broken by violence and hatred, that by the tender mercies of our God, the dawn from on high would break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace. Lord, hear our prayer.

Dates to Remember:

August 12-13: Mennonite Women USA resourcing event in Denver.
August 14: Voluntary Service Sunday
August 18: Tabor Mennonite Women: Bethesda Sharing
August 21: Children's Faith Formation Field Trip to HCHS
August 28: Mennograss
September 4: Outreach Community Service event

Pastor Phil is on sabbatical through August 15. Pastors Rosie and Katherine along with the deacons will be available during this time for pastoral care and concerns.

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.

Sermon Notes



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

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