

Tabor Mennonite Church

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Palm Sunday: Restore Us, O God! *We Hope*

Our human society values status, power, wealth, and success. God turns things upside down by becoming one of us, taking the role of a humble servant. In our lives together, we pledge our allegiance to this upside down kingdom by giving of ourselves, our time, talent, and treasures for the sake of others in the name of Christ, for it is in Christ and God's Kingdom that our hope is found.

GATHERING AND PRAISING

PRELUDE Adult Worship Team

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP Reece Hiebert

GATHERING HYMN AND TRIUMPHAL ENTRY
"Blessed be the name" No. 75 STS

WELCOME AND *CALL TO WORSHIP

*GATHERING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE "All glory, laud, and honor" —vv. 1, 3, 5 No. 237

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

OFFERING OUR GIFTS "Blessed by your name"

PROCLAIMING

CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE

HYMN OF ASSURANCE "You are all we have" No. 29 STJ

WORSHIP MUSIC "Open the Gates of the Temple" Peter Goerzen

CHILDREN'S STORY Kim Funk

SCRIPTURE READING *Philippians 2: 1-11* Carrie Smith
The Word of God for the people of God ~ **Thanks be to God!**

PROCLAMATION Pastor Phil Schmidt, Jerry Toews
Maynard Knepp

RESPONDING

*SONG OF RESPONSE "Build Your Kingdom Here" screens

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER Pastor Rosie Jantz

SENDING

*SENDING HYMN "Ride on, ride on in majesty" No. 239

*BENEDICTION AND 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 Jason, Anna, and Eliza Unruh and Russ and Barb 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 Mandy Funk.

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.

The flowers this morning are in celebration of the 90th birthday of Alice Funk, who's birthday is on April 20. Praise be to God!



10:45 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone.
-‘Radical Hospitality’ elective meets in the sanctuary overflow.

This Week

Monday, April 10

6:00 p.m.—Tabor Mennonite Women Salad Supper. Bring a generous salad to share. *See announcements for details.*

Tuesday, April 11

10:00 a.m.—Staff meeting

Wednesday, April 12

7:15 p.m.—Adult Choir

Thursday, April 13

6:00 p.m.—Holy Week Meal and Service. *see insert*

Saturday, April 15

10:00 a.m.—Easter Egg hunt in Tabor Church Park

Next Sunday, April 16

9:00 a.m.—Easter Breakfast served in the Fellowship Hall.

10:00 a.m.—Next Sunday is Easter Sunday. The theme is "Restore us, O God! *We Live*". Scriptures are Jeremiah 31:1-6, Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Colossians 3:1-4; Matthew 28:1-10, and Pastor Rosie will give the proclamation.

Faith Formation classes will not meet.

Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ Those dealing with illness, recovering from surgery, and grieving the loss of loved ones. Lord, hear our prayer.
- ★ Caring Quilt Locations: The caring quilt is with Paul and Norma Graber. The children's caring quilt is with Elijah, Russ, Camille, Hannah, and Micah Adrian.

Remember to Praise God for:

- ★ Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) and the support of MCC that was witnessed at the Relief Sale. Praise be to God for the hope which MCC relief efforts generate and the hope that is evident in those who give and those who are the recipients of the funds generated so that the work of MCC may continue.
- ★ Jesus' resolve to embrace the will of God even when he faced suffering and death. In this Holy Week, may we again journey with Jesus to and through the cross, declaring our faith in Jesus and allegiance to God's Kingdom.

Dates to Remember:

April 21-23: Community Renewal with Bryan Moyer Suderman
April 23: Holy Humor Sunday, Child Dedications
April 27: Red Cross Blood drive at Goessel Church
May 20: Building Fundraiser White Owl Barn
June 5-9: Vacation Bible School

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE April 2, 2017

Offering	= \$ 4,298.27	Attendance	= 190
Adult F.F.	= \$ 68.00	Attendance	= 68
Jr. F.F.	= \$ 36.48	Attendance	= 35

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.

Hopeful Humility

Matthew 21:1-11; Philippians 2:1-11

"Tell the daughter of Zion, Look your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."
(Matthew 21:5 quoting Zechariah 9:9)

What keeps you from embracing a hopeful outlook in life?

In what ways will you seek to follow Jesus in living a life of hopeful humility?

"Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who...emptied himself, taking the form of a slave...and being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross."
(Philippians 2:5-8)



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