

# Tabor Mennonite Church

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Community is the  
Center of our Life:

*Love is a verb*

Mennonite Church USA  
Fosters Community

Tabor Mennonite Church is a part of a larger Area Conference of Mennonite Churches in the Midwest (Western District Conference), a larger Denomination of Mennonite Churches across the United States (Mennonite Church USA), and an even larger collection of Mennonite congregations all around the world (Mennonite World Conference). These connections with other Mennonite congregations across the county, state, country, and world foster a larger sense of community, connection, and accountability for us. Today, we focus our attention on our Denomination and on the worshipful work that will take place at the upcoming MC USA Convention, which is focusing on the theme: "Love is a Verb."

## GATHERING AND PRAISING

PRELUDE Mark Schmidt and Josh Schmidt

WELCOME & CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS Jayce Yoder

LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP

CALL TO WORSHIP *1 John 3: 11, 16-18, 23-24*

\*GATHERING SONG "I come with joy to meet my Lord" -vs. 1-4 No. 459  
accompanist, Michelle Unruh

\*GATHERING PRAYER

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

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS Pastor Phil Schmidt

## PROCLAIMING

OFFERING OUR GIFTS No. 148 STJ

CHILDREN'S STORY Kim Funk

SCRIPTURE READING *Philippians 2: 1-13* Violeta Ajquejay  
Kristin Unruh

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

SERMON "One Mind" Pastor Phil Schmidt

## RESPONDING

SONG OF RESPONSE "Vision: Healing and Hope" screens

FAITH TESTIMONY Peter Goerzen

HYMN OF PRAYER "Help us to help each other" -vs. 2 No. 362

BLESSING FOR CONVENTION Pastor Rosie Jantz

CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER Pastor Katherine Goerzen

## SENDING

\*SENDING HYMN "I come with joy to meet my Lord" -v. 5 No. 459

\*BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE

## Today

This morning we are blessed to receive seven individuals into membership and fellowship of the Tabor Church congregation. Welcome to Camille and Russell Adrian, Bruce and Nancy Funk, Mandy Funk, Heidi Goerzen and Erica Stoltzfuz.

We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Bob and Erlene Unruh and Jim and Diana 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 Sarahanne Unruh.

In the pew pockets are **Welcome Cards** and **Prayer Request Cards**. If you are visiting 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 honor of the 91st birthday of Esley Schmidt. Praise be to God!



**10:45 a.m.**—Faith Formation for everyone. The elective class, *Anabaptist Essentials* will meet in rooms 112 & 113. The adult Faith Formation class that usually meets in room 112 will meet in room 114 (the room behind the organ). Children will make a field trip to Carol Duerksen and Maynard Knepp's farm.

**2:30 - 3:30 p.m.**—Farewell/Blessing Party for Eric Schrag at the Bethesda Chapel.

**5:30 p.m.**—Goessel Community Picnic in Goessel park. Hamburgers, hotdogs and drinks provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share, table service and lawn chairs. *See announcements for additional details.*

**6:00 p.m.**—Young Adult picnic in Tabor Church Park. *See announcements for details*

## This Week

### Tuesday, June 27

**12:00 p.m.**—Tabor Ladies Lunch  
Bunch at Bethesda

**1:30 p.m.**—Staff meeting

### Wednesday, June 28

**5:30 p.m.**—Faithful Fitness

### Thursday, June 29

**7:00 p.m.**—Christian Education

## Next Sunday, July 2

**9:30 a.m.**—Next Sunday we will continue with our summer worship series: “Anabaptist Essentials: Community is the Center of our Life.” Our focus will be Bind Us Together, scripture is Luke 12:32-40, and Pastor Phil will be preaching.

**10:45 a.m.**— Faith Formation for everyone.

**6:30 p.m.**—Fellowship Event in the Tabor Church Park. Bring your favorite dessert or ice cream topping to go along with ice cream that will be provided!! Don't come alone! Bring your four-footed, furry friends with you if you would like (leashed and people-friendly animals only please). We will have an evening of fun and ice cream for all!

## Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ Those who are continuing to recover from injury, illness, and surgery. Lord, hear our prayer.
- ★ Those who continue to grieve the loss of loved ones. Lord, hear our prayer.
- ★ Those who will attend Mennonite Church USA Convention at the beginning of July. Lord, hear our prayer for an enriching and meaningful trip for all who attend this year's convention.
- ★ Children attending camp this summer. Lord, hear our prayer.

Remember to praise God for:

- ★ Our entire Tabor Church family and especially for those joining our church as members this morning! Thanks be to God for who they are and for the many gifts that they bring to our community!



## Vision for healing and hope

*God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace, so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.*

Seven Priorities to guide ministry across all parts of the church.

1. Christian Formation
2. Christian Community
3. Holistic Christian witness
4. Stewardship
5. Leadership development
6. Undoing racism and advancing intercultural transformation
7. Church-to-church relationships



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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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