

Tabor Mennonite Church

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Vision: Shared Stories of Future Hope *The Root of David*

Today we continue our worship series focusing on visions of hope by reflecting on Isaiah 11: 1-10 and Revelation 1: 1-10, which both speak of “the Root of David,” an image of God setting things right even when everything seems to be going wrong. May we all seek to put our full hope in God’s vision of peace and justice.

GATHERING AND PRAISING

PRELUDE Russell Adrian

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Michael Unruh

RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP

*CALL TO WORSHIP *Romans 8: 18-25*

*GATHERING HYMN “*My hope is built*” -vs. 1-4 No. 343

*GATHERING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE “*We will dance*” No. 27 CS

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

PROCLAIMING

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

CHILDREN’S STORY Sheri Schmidt

WORSHIP MUSIC “*Be still, my soul*” -Sibelius, arr. Olson Russell Adrian

SCRIPTURE READINGS *Isaiah 11: 1-10* Nancy Schroeder
Revelation 1: 1-10 Dale Alderfer

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

SERMON “*I Still Have a Dream*” Pastor Phil Schmidt

RESPONDING

*HYMN OF RESPONSE “*We dream of a turning*” insert

FAITH TESTIMONY Kim Funk

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER

SENDING

*SENDING SONG “*My soul cries out*” 124 STS

*BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE *Romans 15: 13*

Today

We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God’s love. This morning you were greeted by Cory and Keri Unruh and family and Pete and Sharon Unruh. *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.

10:45 a.m.— Faith Formation for everyone. Book Study class will be reading *The Great Spiritual Migration: How the World’s Largest Religion Is Seeking a Better Way to Be Christian* by Brian McLaren. Anyone is welcome to join this or any other class listed on the wall outside the church office.

11:45 a.m.—College age young adults are invited to Pastor Phil and Mary’s home for lunch.

4:00 p.m.—Chapel at Bethesda

This Week

Tuesday, September 12

9:15 a.m.—Community Prayer*

10:00 a.m.—Staff Meeting

Wednesday, September 13

5:30 p.m.—Faithful Fitness

7:00 p.m.—Christian Education

Thursday, September 14

7:00 a.m.—Community Prayer*

10:00 a.m.—Stories & Stuff *see announcements* —MCC Flatlander Bike Ride

Saturday, September 16

—Tabor Church Campout at Mennoscah

***Call to Prayer:** I invite everyone to come pray with me on either Tuesday morning at 9:15am or Thursday morning at 7am (choose whichever day/time works best with your schedule). We will be praying through the *Anabaptist Prayer Book*. If you have a copy, please bring it. If not, please come anyway (we have extra copies at church). My hope is that these two times will be conducive for most people. That being said, if you would like to join in community prayer, but these times don’t work for you, please let me know and we can either adjust times or add a third option on Fridays. I look forward to seeing how God’s Spirit moves as we pray together!
~Pastor Phil

Next Sunday, September 17

Next week is Tabor Church Campout at Camp Mennoscah. Please turn in your registration forms by today! *See announcements for more information.*

Prayer Requests

The following prayer requests were shared on Sunday, September 3.

- ★ Myron shared that he had been in contact with Alberto and Aurora following Hurricane Harvey. Their home is OK, but many from their congregation have been affected by the devastation. Lord, hear our prayers for all who are facing great loss following the destruction of the hurricane; may we open our hearts and our hands on behalf of those who are suffering.
 - ★ Jim thanked Pastor Phil for his strong sermon. Lord, hear our prayers that we may continue to have eyes to see and ears to hear your Word, and may we be empowered to respond in ways that extend your vision of peace in our groaning world.
 - ★ Marcene shared that she and her sister had the opportunity to travel back to Oregon to celebrate the time that they spent there as they were growing up. She felt grateful that her pastor in Oregon 50 years ago had been Olin Krehbiel and that God continues to empower, equip, and call gifted leaders within the church, such as his great-granddaughter, Katherine Goerzen. Thanks be to God for God's faithfulness!
 - ★ Pam shared that often times the media overlooks tragedies that many of our sisters and brothers from around the world are facing. She lamented the horrific flooding in Asia and the destruction that this has wrought. Lord, hear our prayers for those who are grieving in the midst of this terrible loss. Release us from our apathy and ignorance of the deep suffering of many around the globe. Continue to empower us to extend your vision of peace in our groaning world.
- Remember to Pray for:
- ★ Those impacted by the violence in Congo. Lord, hear our prayer.
 - ★ Those already impacted and those who will be impacted by Hurricane Irma. Pray also for those impacted by wildfires out west. Lord, hear our prayer.
 - ★ Those in our country and community impacted by the end to the Differed Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. Lord, hear our prayer.
 - ★ Karina as she begins her year of service in Ecuador with Mennonite Mission Network's "Journey International." Lord, hear our prayer.
 - ★ Our yearly commitment and budgeting process, which is currently taking place. Please pray for God's guidance as we commit to commissions and ministries at Tabor and as we discern a new budget.

On the table in the foyer:

- Mennonite Central Committee resources on Dismantling the Doctrine of Discovery
- Episcopal Migration Ministries on ways to learn about and support refugees.

Dates to Remember:

September 24: Bethel College Sunday, including hymn sing and potluck
 September 29: Norma Martinez memorial service
 October 1: World Communion, World Potluck
 Goessel Area Harvest Giving Walk
 October 4: Wednesday Evening Ministries begin
 October 8: The Great Tabor Celebration Smoke-In
 October 15: Fellowship Event: Papa's Pumpkin Patch
 October 29: Caring Group Potluck

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE September 3, 2017

Offering	= \$ 5,587.70	Attendance	= 188
Adult F.F.	= \$ 22.00	Attendance	= 50
Jr. F.F.	= \$ 13.37	Attendance	= 46



GOAL = \$1,000,000

Committed = \$762,823

\$237,177 Still Needed

This week's receipts: Money raised from Tabor Trading Post = \$813

Funds for pledge fulfillment = \$2,300 New Contributions = \$1,000



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Prelude: 9:15am

Worship: 9:30am

Fellowship Time: 10:30am

Faith Formation: 10:45am

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