

Tabor Mennonite Church

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Upside Down

Much of how Jesus lived, what he said, and who he related to was against the status quo. The kingdom that he preached truly was upside down. May we, as citizens of this upside down kingdom, seek to daily embody and choose the ways of Jesus, the One who calls us to leave behind the ways of this world and follow him.



GATHERING AND PRAISING

PRELUDE		Diane Unruh
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Luke Unruh
RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP		
OPENING ANTHEM	<i>"I Believe This is Jesus"</i> -Johnson	Adult Choir
*CALL TO WORSHIP	<i>Luke 9: 23-27</i>	
*GATHERING HYMN	<i>"Seek ye first the kingdom of God"</i>	No. 324
*GATHERING PRAYER		
*HYMN OF PRAYER	<i>"Renew your church"</i>	No. 363
*PASSING THE PEACE	<i>The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.</i>	
OFFERING OUR GIFTS	<i>Coins for MCC Relief Sale</i>	

PROCLAIMING

CHILDREN'S STORY	Brenda Yoder, Dove's Nest	
WORSHIP MUSIC	<i>"Kingdom That's Upside Down"</i> -Doug and Jude Krehbiel Choir Ensemble, Actions led by Children of Light	
SCRIPTURE READING	<i>Luke 5: 27-39</i>	Bruce Funk and Russ Francis
	The Word of God for the people of God ~ Thanks be to God!	
SERMON	<i>"Leaving Everything"</i>	Pastor Phil Schmidt

RESPONDING

*HYMN OF RESPONSE	<i>"You are salt for the earth"</i>	No. 226
CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER	Pastor Katherine Goerzen	

SENDING

*SENDING HYMN

"Jesus Christ is waiting"

No. 30 STJ

*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 Carol Duerksen and Maynard Knepp 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, and a toddler nursery for those age three and under, staffed today by Camille Adrian and Porclein 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.—All adults are invited to meet in the sanctuary with Brenda Yoder from Dove's Nest: "Living in a Porn-Filled Culture: What Parents, Teens, and Kids Need to Know". Children will have regular Faith Formation time.

11:45 a.m.—Potluck meal with Brenda Yoder. Please bring food to share and your own table service.

This Week

Wednesday, February 7

Wednesday Evening Ministries

Next Sunday, February 11

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday we will continue our worship series focused on "The Upside Down King." It is Youth Sunday and the Elbiata Singers from Goessel High School will join us to provide special music. Scripture focus will be Luke 6:20-36, and Pastor Katherine will be preaching.

Following worship the congregation will vote on the recommendation from the church council regarding the next step in the facilities process.

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

11:45 a.m.—TMYF Fundraiser Meal

Prayer Requests

The following prayer requests were shared on January 28.

- ★ Carol shared about her experience in reading through the Gospel of Luke. Thanks be to God for the opportunity to read and reflect on Luke's Gospel and on God's upside down kingdom!

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ The upcoming vote of affirmation to move forward with the next phase in the facilities process. Lord, hear our prayer for wisdom and faith.
- ★ Karina, as she continues to serve with Mennonite Mission Network Journey International in Ecuador.
- ★ All who are recovering from flu and other illness, surgery, or grieving the loss of loved ones. Lord, hear our prayer.

Dates to Remember:

Feb. 14: Ash Wednesday
 Feb. 14 - 20: Tabor Serves at New Hope Shelter
 Feb. 18: First Sunday in Lent
 Feb. 18: Olympic Couple's Competition
 Feb. 21: Red Cross blood drive at Goessel Church
 Feb. 23-25: AVDS at Hesston College
 Feb. 25: MCC fellowship meal
 March 4: Camp WaShunGa fundraiser meal

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE January 28, 2017

Offering	= \$ 3,236.85	Attendance	= 174
Adult F.F.	= \$ 45.00	Attendance	= 89
Jr. F.F.	= \$ 12.42	Attendance	= 46



GOAL = \$1,000,000 Committed = \$905,558

\$94,442 Still Needed

This week's receipts: Interest = \$2,075 Trading post = \$10
 Funds for pledge fulfillment = \$650 New contributions = \$325

Leaving Everything

Luke 5:27-39

After this [Jesus] went out and saw a tax collector named Levi, sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up, left everything, and followed him. Then Levi gave a great banquet for him in his house; and there was a large crowd of tax collectors and others sitting at the table with them. (Luke 5:27-29)

Table Companions (Luke 5:30-32)

"Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?" (Luke 5:30b)

Fasting (Luke 5:33-35)

"...but your disciples eat and drink." (Luke 5:33b)

New and Old (Luke 5:36-39)

"The old is good." (Luke 5:39b)



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 Fellowship Time: 10:30am Faith Formation: 10:45am
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