

Tabor Mennonite Church

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Reading the Bible With Jesus: Jesus Opening the Scriptures

Today we conclude our Reading the Bible with Jesus worship series by reflecting on Jesus as the one who truly interprets scripture and opens our minds to understand scripture. As we focus on Jesus, may he send us out to proclaim the good news of God's kingdom.

GATHERING AND PRAISING

PRELUDE

Cynthia Goerzen, Oliver Goerzen, Jacob Goerzen, Adriana Duerksen, Dawson Duerksen

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Leann Toews

RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 119: 18, 169-175

*GATHERING HYMN

"Speak, O Lord" Insert
Katherine Goerzen, accompanist

*GATHERING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE *"God of the Bible"* -vs. 1,2,3, & 5 No. 27 STJ

*PASSING THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

"Here I am to Worship" Adriana Duerksen
PROCLAIMING

CHILDREN'S STORY

Pastors Katherine Goerzen, Phil Schmidt, and Rosie Jantz, and Jill Litwiller

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24: 36-49 Carol Duerksen

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

SERMON

"Open Our Minds" Pastor Phil Schmidt
RESPONDING

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

"This is a story full of love" No. 315

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Pastor Phil Schmidt

SENDING

*SENDING HYMN

"I love to tell the story" No. 398

*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 Brian and Lindsay Lightner and family and Lester and Lois Voth. 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 Eunice Nickel and Janna Duerksen.

The flowers this morning are in celebration of the 90th birthday of LeRoy Funk who's birthday is August 13. Praise God for the gift of life!

10:45 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone. Youth and adults meet in the sanctuary.



This Week

Tuesday, August 14

10:00 a.m.—Staff meeting

Wednesday, August 8

5:30 p.m.—Faithful Fitness

8:00 p.m.—Adult Bible Study

Thursday, August 16

7:00 p.m.—Tabor Mennonite Women @ Bethesda

Next Sunday, August 19

10:00 a.m.—Next Sunday we will begin a new worship series focused on the book of Acts entitled "We Are Witnesses." This worship series is in conjunction with Western District Conference's "Year of Evangelism." As we journey through Acts together, may God inspire us by the story of the birth and spreading of the early church, and may God fill us with boldness to share the Good News today.

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

School Kits for MCC: During the month of August we are collecting school kit items for distribution by MCC. Shopping lists were in your mailboxes. In addition to collection during the offering time on Sunday mornings, the large MCC basket will again be located in the foyer to collect your donations. August 19 donation: 12 colored pencils (in packaging) and 1 small metal pencil sharpener.

Dates to Remember:

Aug. 23: Tabor program at Bethesda

Aug. 26: Teacher Dedication

Fellowship Event: Mennograss

Sept. 2: Karina Brandt sharing about Ecuador during Faith Formation

Sept. 7-9: Women's Retreat at Camp Mennoscah

Sept. 16: Tabor Community Service Sunday

Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ all students and teachers who are beginning a new school year in coming days and weeks. Lord, hear our prayer.
- ★ our finance task force and congregation as we near the million dollar mark and seek to raise the remaining funds needed for the building project. Lord, hear our prayer.
- ★ the many people working diligently on our church building project. Lord, hear our prayer for safety and strength.
- ★ all who are dealing with illness, both mental and physical. Lord, hear our prayer.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE			
August 5, 2018			
Offering	= \$ 7,426.66	Attendance	= 136
Adult F.F.	= \$ 10.00	Attendance	= —
Jr. F.F.	= \$ —	Attendance	= —

Budget Update:

2018 Annual Budget:	\$ 272,796.00
Targeted Giving through August 5	\$ 188,856.00
Actual Giving through August 5:	\$ 149,614.31
Compared to 2017 Giving through August 8:	\$ 157,148.61



"Open Our Minds"

Luke 24

- 1) *Where does this take place? Where is there movement?*
- 2) *Who is present? Who is doing the action?*
- 3) *Where and how is Scripture coming into play?*
- 4) *What do you notice? What are your first impressions? What strikes you?*

- 5) *What do you notice about the ways that Jesus uses, interprets, or fulfills Scripture?*



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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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