

Tabor Mennonite Church

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We Are Witnesses: You Will Be My Witnesses

Today we begin a new worship series journeying through Acts. Our focus throughout this series is that we are all witnesses of Jesus' love and grace in our lives and in our world. Our focus for this morning is Jesus' proclamation to his apostles that they would be witnesses from Jerusalem to the ends of the earth (Acts 1: 8). May we all embrace our role as witnesses in the ever-expanding and everlasting kingdom of God.

GATHERING AND PRAISING

- PRELUDE Adult Worship Team
- WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Carol Duerksen
- RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP
- *CALL TO WORSHIP *from Acts 10: 34-43*
- *GATHERING HYMN "Lord, you give the great commission" ~vs. 1,2,5 63 SJ
- *GATHERING PRAYER
- *SONG OF PRAISE "Shout to the Lord" No. 84 CS
- *PASSING THE PEACE *The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.*
- OFFERING OUR GIFTS "Lord Jesus, you shall be my song"

PROCLAIMING

- CHILDREN'S STORY Sheri Schmidt
- SCRIPTURE READING *Acts 1: 1-11* Bonnie Janzen
The Word of God for the people of God ~ **Thanks be to God!**
- SERMON "Wait For It" Pastor Phil Schmidt

RESPONDING

- *HYMN OF RESPONSE "Here I am, Lord" No. 395
- SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Pastor Katherine Goerzen

SENDING

- *SENDING HYMN "Thuma mina" No. 434
- *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 Pastor Phil and Mary Schmidt and family and Jerry and Leann Toews. *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 Yvette Nickel.

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

7:00 p.m.—Alexanderwohl Church: Rosie Epp will be sharing her experiences with the MCC Learning Tour at the Texas/Mexico border. Dessert served.

This Week

Pastor Rosie is on vacation August 18-25.

Tuesday, August 21

10:00 a.m.—Staff meeting

Thursday, August 23

7:00 p.m.—Tabor program
@ Bethesda

Wednesday, August 22

5:30 p.m.—Faithful Fitness

8:00 p.m.—Adult Bible Study

Newsletter items are due

Next Sunday, August 26

10:00 a.m.—Next Sunday we continue our "We Are Witnesses" worship series through Acts by focusing on Acts chapter 2, when God sent the Holy Spirit to fill Jesus' disciples in a powerful way. Pastor Katherine will be preaching. There will also be a dedication of teachers for the new Faith Formation year.

10:45 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone. Youth and Adults: John Sharp will be our guest speaker, sharing "One Life at a Time: The Michael J. Sharp Story". We encourage everyone to come hear this powerful story.

We are collecting school kit items for distribution by MCC. August 26 donation: 1 ruler (must indicate 30 cm, inch markings optional) 2 new black or blue ballpoint pens

MennoGrass 2018: Plan to join us in the Tabor park! **Supper** will be served beginning at **5:30pm** and **music will be from 6-8pm**. Our two groups this year are Hopeful Blues and the Smoky Valley Bluegrass Band. Please bring lawn chairs, table service, and a **side or dessert**. We look forward to seeing you there!

Sermon Notes

Prayer Requests

The following prayer requests were shared on August 12:

- ★ Bruce shared a praise for Threshing Days, which brought the Goessel community together to fellowship and remember Mennonite heritage. Thanks be to God!
- ★ Karina thanked the congregation for prayers and support during her time in Ecuador. Thanks be to God for Karina's experience in Ecuador.
- ★ Denise praised God for her dad, for his 90th birthday and for how he has lived as a wonderful role model to others. Thanks be to God!

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ All students and teachers who are beginning a new school year.
Lord, hear our prayer.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

August 12, 2018

Offering	= \$13,052.50	Attendance	= 152
Adult F.F.	= \$ 12.00	Attendance	= 17
Jr. F.F.	= \$ 3.60	Attendance	= 36



Cost of entire project = \$1,300,000

Money already received	\$871,431	This week's progress
Pledges remaining to be paid	\$133,249	\$500
Challenge Grant if goal is met	\$100,000	
Needed to meet Challenge Grant	\$195,320	\$6,912



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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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Deacons:

Nathan Graber	Barb Abrahams	Carol Duerksen
Ron Schroeder	Maynard Knepp	Erica Stoltzfus