

Tabor Mennonite Church

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We Are Witnesses: Filled With The Holy Spirit

The same Spirit that transformed the bumbling disciples into bold apostles now comes among us, empowering us and sending us to proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord and to share God's goodness with everyone. Just as God performed many wonders and signs through the apostles, so too will God continue to work great things through our lives today! We are all witnesses.

GATHERING AND PRAISING

PRELUDE Michelle Unruh

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Janna Duerksen

RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP

*CALL TO WORSHIP *from Acts 1: 4-8*

*GATHERING PRAYER

*GATHERING HYMN *"Holy Spirit, come with power"* No. 26

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

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

PROCLAIMING

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO SECOND GRADERS Pamela Abrahams

CHILDREN'S STORY Carrie Unruh

WORSHIP MUSIC *"Drop Down, Ye Heavens"* Jubilate

SCRIPTURE READING *Excerpts from Acts 2* Peter Goerzen
The Word of God for the people of God ~ **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON *"New Life in the Spirit"* Pastor Katherine Goerzen

RESPONDING

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *"Spirit of the living God"* No. 349

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Pastor Rosie Jantz
Faith Formation Dedication

SENDING

*SENDING HYMN *"New earth, heavens new"* No. 299

*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 Shannon and Carrie Friesen and family and Keith and Barb Banman. *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 Pamela Abrahams and Carrie Unruh.

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.

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!

This Week

Tuesday, August 28

10:00 a.m.—Staff meeting

11:30 a.m.—Tabor Ladies Lunch Bunch @ Bethesda

Wednesday, August 29

5:30 p.m.—Faithful Fitness

8:00 p.m.—Adult Bible Study

Next Sunday, September 2

10:00 a.m.—Next Sunday we continue our "We Are Witnesses" worship series through Acts by focusing on Acts chapters 3-4. Pastor Phil will be preaching.

10:45 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone. Youth and Adults: Everyone is invited to learn about Karina Brandt's experiences in Ecuador this past year with Journey International.

Dates to Remember:

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

Sept. 16: Tabor Community Service Sunday



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

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| Money already received | \$880,330 | This week's progress |
| Pledges remaining to be paid | \$127,849 | \$5,550 |
| Challenge Grant if goal is met | \$100,000 | |
| Needed to meet Challenge Grant | \$191,821 | \$3,350 |

Prayer Requests

The following prayer requests were shared on August 19:

- ★ Jim shared his appreciation for John Sharp, who will be sharing his story at Tabor during Faith Formation. Thanks be to God for the ways that God's presence and peace are made known, even in the midst of great loss. Lord, hear our prayer, that we too may be empowered to go forth and witness to your way of peace.
- ★ Paul expressed his gratitude for the prayers and caring he has felt from this congregation in these past few months. Thanks be to God for the healing that has taken place and for the encouragement of brothers and sisters in Christ!

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ 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.
- ★ Caring Quilt Locations: The caring quilts are home.

| OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE August 19, 2018 | | | |
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| Offering | = \$ 5,062.98 | Attendance | = 137 |
| Adult F.F. | = \$ 21.25 | Attendance | = 28 |
| Jr. F.F. | = \$ 5.28 | Attendance | = 32 |

Budget Update:

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| 2018 Annual Budget: | \$ 272,796.00 |
| Targeted Giving through August 19 | \$ 199,348.00 |
| Actual Giving through August 19: | \$ 167,729.79 |
| <i>Compared to 2017 Giving through August 20:</i> | <i>\$ 166,910.21</i> |



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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:

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