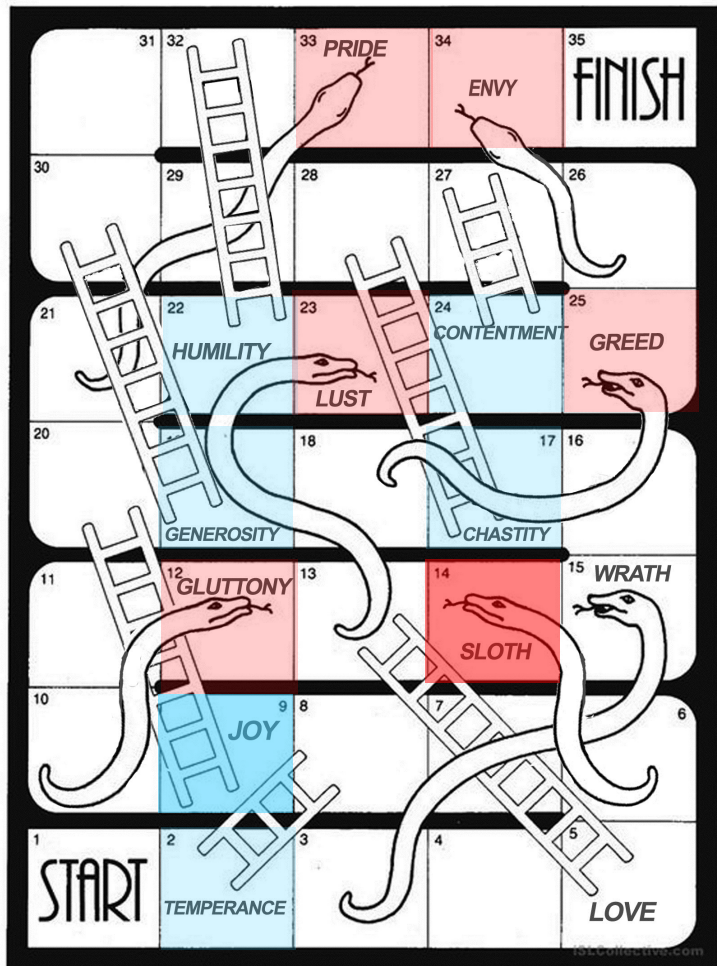


Snakes and Ladders

A worshipful study of "the seven deadly sins" and "the seven holy virtues"

Sloth is indifference embodied. Sloth does not love. In the passion story, Pilate embodies slothfulness; when given the opportunity to act on behalf of love, he does nothing—he literally washes his hands. **Joy** is a dramatic connection to God. Passion is love that gives purpose. To overcome sloth, we must reengage with God and with the world around us.



GATHERING

PRELUDE

Deloris Schmidt

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Rosie Jantz

RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*GATHERING PRAYER

*GATHERING HYMN *"I'm pressing on the upward way"* No. 96 SJ

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

DISORIENTED LOVE

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 27: 11-26

Carrie Smith

MEDITATION

"Sloth"

Pastor Phil Schmidt

ORIENTING TOWARDS GOD'S LOVE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND WORDS OF ASSURANCE

inspired by Micah 6: 8

HYMN OF ASSURANCE *"What does the Lord require of you?"* No. 54 SS

CHILDREN'S STORY AND CONGREGATIONAL SPIRITUAL PRACTICE
Pastor Phil Schmidt

WORSHIP MUSIC *"O, Worship the King"* Pamela and Sophia Abrahams
"How Great Thou Art"

EXTENDING GOD'S LOVE

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 25: 31-46

Mary Schmidt

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

MEDITATION

"Joy"

Pastor Phil Schmidt

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *"Longing for light"* No. 54 SJ

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Pastor Rosie Jantz

*SENDING HYMN *"You are salt for the earth"*

No. 226

*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 Phil and Sarahanne Unruh and family and Bruce and Nancy Funk. *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 Sharleen Francis and Yvette Nickel.

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

This Week

Tues. Aug. 13: 10:00 a.m.—Staff meeting.

Wed. Aug 14: 5:30 p.m.—Faithful Fitness.

Thurs. Aug 15: *Newsletter items are due.*

10:00 a.m.—Coffee Hour.

7:00 p.m.—Christian Education meeting

Tabor Mennonite Women program at Bethesda

Next Sunday, August 18

9:30 a.m.—We conclude the worship series on the seven deadly sins and seven holy virtues focusing on Wrath/Love. Scriptures for reflection will include Mark 15:15-20, 23-32; Matthew 28:1-10; Mark 16:2-10; John 20:1-18, and Pastor Phil will be preaching.

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

Prayer Requests

The following prayer requests were shared on August 4.

- ★ We continue to pray for an end to violence and that communities would know peace in the wake of the El Paso, Texas and Dayton, Ohio shootings this past weekend. Lord, hear our prayer.

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ Caring Quilt Locations: The caring quilt is with the LeRoy Funk family following the passing of Alice.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE August 4, 2019

Offering = \$ 4,930.30 Attendance = 126

Budget Update:

2019 Budget: \$276,571

Targeted giving to date: \$191,484

Actual giving to date: \$174,855

Shortfall: \$16,629



Tabor Mennonite Church

Prelude: 9:15am

Worship: 9:30am

Fellowship Time: 10:30am

Faith Formation: 10:45am

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