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Deep Calls to Deep Called to Deep Hope

As we follow Jesus into Holy Week, we are grateful for God's steadfast love, which calls us to deep hope in the One who comes in the name of the Lord.<sup>1</sup>

WORSHIP

PRELUDE Michelle Unruh

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Carol Duerksen

**GATHERING PRAYER** 

GATHERING HYMN "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" No. 313 VT Children's Palm Branch Processional led by Emil Schmidt, Michelle Unruh

CHILDREN'S STORY Carol Duerksen and Doris Unruh

WORSHIP MUSIC "I Shall Not Want" - Audrey Assad Michelle Unruh

SCRIPTURE READING *Matthew 21:1-11* Kara Swartzendruber *The Word of God for the people of God ~ Thanks be to God!* 

SERMON "Who Is This?" Michael Unruh

HYMN OF RESPONSE "Holy Lord" No. 314 VT

RITUAL OF RESPONSE

How is God calling you to deep growth?

What do you need to let go of so that you can grow and bear much fruit?

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING and PRAYER

Pastor Katherine Goerzen

LITANY OF LICENSING FOR MICHAEL UNRUH No. 968 VT Heidi Regier Kreider, Conference Minister

SENDING HYMN "My Hope is Built" -vs. 1, 2, & 3 No. 621 VT

BENEDICTION Michael Unruh

Words for hymns in bulletin

## Sunday, March 28

Come together in spirit to worship God and experience God's love. As we unite our hearts, may we be mindful of God's saving grace.

9:00 am: Faith Formation

Sharing and breakout rooms via Zoom.

Zoom connection information:

-Click this link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7022907372?">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7022907372?</a> pwd=Ty9JK0Vvb1ZOLzFnaWxwdEwyVXRzdz09

-Or, open Zoom and type in the following information:

Meeting ID: 702 290 7372, Password: 2020

-Or, call in by dialing the following number: +1 346 248 7799, then dialing the Meeting ID (702 290 7372) followed by pressing the # key twice.

## 10:45 am: Worship Service in the Sanctuary

YouTube Livestream (also available following the service).

Link: <a href="https://youtu.be/wkpH4KoSb2s">https://youtu.be/wkpH4KoSb2s</a>

**Fellowship Time:** Immediately after the worship service, we will provide an opportunity for anyone who wants, to spend a few minutes chatting with each other in small groups that are set up for today. This will be outside or inside, depending on the weather and your comfort level of where you would like to be. This is for all ages and children are welcome to stay with their parents. We will focus on one or two questions for a total of no more than 30 minutes, and repeat this in coming Sundays. Questions? Contact Duane Duerksen or Carol Duerksen.

**Children's Faith Formation:** SHINE Spring curriculum. Please find the weekly handout in the email attachment.

#### This Week

Mon. March 29, 7 pm - Men's Bible Study, Tabor Hospitality Hall.

Tues. March 30, 10 am - Staff meeting.

Wed. March 31, 6:30 pm - Junior High Fellowship 7:15 pm - TMYF

April 1, 7 pm - Holy Week Service see announcements

# Next Sunday, April 4

9:00 am: Faith Formation via Zoom.

**10:45 am:** Next Sunday is Easter Sunday. The theme is "Deep Calls to Deep." The focus will be Deep Living and the Scripture passages for reflection are John 20:1-18 and I Corinthians 15:1-11. Pastor Katherine will be preaching. Worship will take place in the sanctuary following the protocol set by our Covid Task Force, or you may livestream the service or watch later at the link that will be provided.

Fellowship Time following worship.

## **Prayer Requests**

# Remember to Pray for:

- ★ the family of Lowell Heinrichs. Lowell passed away on March 19. Services were held at Tabor on March 27. Lord, hear our prayers for comfort and peace to surround Bonnie, Romney, Kendall and family. The caring quilt is with Bonnie.
- ★ all who have been impacted by violence and the threat of terror. Remember those affected by the shooting this past week. Lord, hear our prayers.
- ★ all who have been affected by the recent tornadoes and other weather related incidents. Lord, hear our prayers of comfort and restoration.
- ★ all who are experiencing illness, recovering from surgery, continuing with medical treatments, and all who are grieving losses. Lord, hear our prayers.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for all WDC congregations and members in this Holy Week, as we follow Jesus in the way of the cross and in the promise of true life.
- Mennonite Mission Network: Naomi Tice, serving with MMN, began an assignment with Christliche Dienste (German Mennonite Voluntary Service) last month. Pray for Naomi's fluency in the German language and ability to adapt, as this is the third country in which she has worked in the past year, due to COVID-19 restrictions and visa regulations.

## Remember to Praise God for:

★ The opportunity for our church family to again gather in person, while continuing to be able to join our hearts through livestream or communication through mailings. Praise God for these opportunities to journey together with Jesus this Holy Week, beginning with Palm Sunday this morning, through the agony of the cross, bringing us to the joyous resurrection on Easter morning! Thank be to God!!

# **Congregational Announcements**

We will be maintaining the same protocol for in-person worship for April as we have in March: social distancing while entering and exiting the building and while sitting in the sanctuary, singing on the last hymn while wearing masks, mask wearing on Tabor property, contact trace recording. Gathering with food in the Hospitality Hall is discouraged but allowed for no more than 50 people while social distancing is observed. Again, if you have questions about a gathering or event don't hesitate to contact Gayle Funk, Duane Duerksen, Erica Stoltzfus. Thank You ~Covid Task Team

**Deacon Update:** Marcene Entz has resigned from the Deacon Board effective immediately.

Renewed Life with Bel Canto Singers, directed by Russell Adrian, will be presented at the Mullet Drive Parking Lot, Hesston College, Sunday, March 28, at 3 pm. This is a community worship service with music of Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Join us in person or on the Fine Arts Livestream.

Maundy Thursday Service: As we pass the one-year mark of beginning to understand covid-19 as part of our lives, the GMA would like to offer a worship service on Maundy Thursday, April 1. The same (or a very similar) service will be offered at each of our buildings (Goessel Mennonite, Tabor Mennonite, Alexanderwohl Mennonite and Bethesda Home) with the idea that we are united as a community in our grief for those we've lost in this last year as well as our deep faith in Jesus as we remember the last supper he shared with his disciples and the passion and struggle of the final days of his life. The service will include lighting candles as a way to remember and honor our dead, taking communion, reading scripture, offering prayers and songs and extinguishing lights as we move into the darkness of Jesus' death. See back of bulletin for details on Tabor's service.

FIT, FRUIT and FAITH, is the 2021 Tabor Wellness Challenge for adults and kids! This year's goals and weekly tracking sheet can be found as an attachment in last weeks weekly mailing. Rewards include Newton Chamber Checks! Contact Kevin (nickel.kevinj@gamil.com) with questions or to be sent a daily tracking sheet. Good luck!

**Basement Remodel:** The trustees would like to invite anyone interested in helping frame walls in the basement to a work day on Saturday, April 3 from 8 am until noon. Anyone interested in bringing snacks for the work crew would be greatly appreciated. Anyone interested in coming to see the progress is more than welcome. Let a trustee know or just show up!

The trustees have some items in the basement that could use a new home. Items include old fluorescent lights, wood paneling removed from the walls, wood tables, and more. If interested, either contact a trustee (Kenton Nickel, Cory Unruh, Russell Adrian, or Nathan Graber) to schedule a time to look or plan to stop by on Saturday morning, April 3 during our work day. Items by donation.

**All children ages 2 - 8th grade and their families:** You are invited for an outdoor event on April 25 at 2:30 pm. We hope to see many of you there to fellowship and play together. More information to follow at a later date. Hosted by the Tabor Education Committee.

Camp Mennoscah Summer Youth Camps: Tabor Church Education Committee will again offer \$50 scholarships to all children attending camp. Due to uncertainties surrounding camp schedules and availability, scholarship money will not be paid to Camp Mennoscah directly. There will not be a sign up sheet for scholarships this year, instead, please contact the church office with the dates that your child/children attend camp and the scholarship money will be reimbursed directly to you.

**New Hope Shelter** is putting together an On Call List of people that are willing to volunteer to fill a shift or prepare a meal for the shelter for when a church is not able to fill all of their slots. If you are interested, please contact Barb Abrahams. If you have never served at New Hope, they continue to have training once a month. Contact Barb Abrahams if you are interested in the training.

### 2021 Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

July 2 and 3, Fairgrounds in Hutchinson

**Bohne Berrogi Sales** at Moundridge High School on April 3 from 9:30-10:30 am. \$20.00 a dozen, no sauce. No advance orders. This will be the only opportunity to purchase Bohne Berrogi. Left overs will be frozen and sold at a later date. Support the MCC Relief Sale with your purchase.

Plants and Things booth will be open on April 10, 9am - 6pm at the MCC Building in North Newton utilizing the parking lot and the warehouse. Donations of plants: Bring to the MCC Building on Friday afternoon, April 9. This will be a drive through donation with volunteers collecting your donations. If you wish to make a donation and can't make this time frame, please contact Kristi at 1-620 367-2721 or email <a href="kdunruh97@gmail.com">kdunruh97@gmail.com</a>. Volunteers are needed to help Friday to accept plants and help set up. On Saturday volunteers are needed to help with organization and cashiers. Please see sign up information and more details in the email sent on March 19, or go to KMRS website at <a href="https://www.kansas.mccsale.org">www.kansas.mccsale.org</a>

#### **Conference Announcements**

Western District Conference: All women and girls are invited to the Western District Women in Mission 2021 Spring Soiree Thursday, April 8 at 7 pm for a virtual night of worship, music and a reflection on "Faith in Turbulent Times." Email <a href="https://www.wbw.nusic.com">www.wbw.nusic.com</a> to register by April 5. A zoom link will be sent to registered participants prior to the event.

**Mennonite Church USA:** MC USA is hosting its first-ever, hybrid convention on July 6-10 in Cincinnati, Ohio, and online. Registration opens April 6. <a href="https://convention.mennoniteusa.org/">https://convention.mennoniteusa.org/</a>

### Camp Mennoscah:

- --Men and Boys Retreat, April 16-18! Come to Camp Mennoscah for this long-standing, guys-only retreat! Spend time fishing, canoeing, worshiping, sitting by the fire, or visiting with friends in fellowship. The official beginning to the weekend is Saturday morning, but many arrive on Friday. Meals can be purchased for Saturday night, Sunday morning and lunch. People are welcome Friday, but no meals or entertainment will be provided. Meals available for an additional cost. No pre-registration. Registration and payment will take place upon arrival. For more information contact Kevin Neufeld at 316-322-5515.
- **--Amphitheater improvement project** work days are scheduled: April 2-3, April 9-10, May 14-15. Ask about lodging if you would like to stay overnight. A team of five volunteers will work from 9 am-4 pm each day installing the new stone benches. Bring a lunch and water bottle with you when you come, and plan to arrive at the North cabin area to check in around 9 am. Call 620-297-3290 or email <a href="mailto:office@campmennoscah.org">office@campmennoscah.org</a> or to volunteer for this project.

- --Looking for kitchen staff and nurses! Camp Mennoscah is filling volunteer and stipend positions for kitchen staff and nurses for the upcoming 2021 summer. Contact Camp Mennoscah at <a href="mailto:office@campmennoscah.org">office@campmennoscah.org</a> or call 620-297-3290 for available weeks and details. Kitchen staff can receive a scholarship up to full camp fees for their camper.
- --Camp Mennoscah is **seeking a full-time Director of Development**, **Marketing & Communications** to lead our ongoing operational and advancement needs. Please send application materials (resume, cover letter, references and salary requirements) to <a href="mailto:campmennojobs@att.net">campmennojobs@att.net</a>.

**Everence webinar:** *Gifts that give later -* Tuesday, April 6 6:30 p.m. You can practice generosity in many ways, but sometimes it can be challenging to find the method that best fits both your faith and financial goals. Join this webinar to learn about a few options to consider, including bequests and end-of-life giving, as you explore ways to make your finances work for you while giving back.

## **Hymns for Worship**

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

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- Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang.
   Through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang.
   To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast, the children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.
- 2) From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd, the victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud. The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.
- 3) "Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing, for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heav'n, our King. Oh, may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, and in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

Holy Lord

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#### Refrain:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might, heaven and earth of your glory are full; hosanna, hosanna in the highest!

#### Bridge:

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

#### Final Ending:

Hosanna, hosanna in the highest!

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1) My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

#### Refrain:

- On Christ, the solid rock, I stand: all other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.
- 2) In ev'ry rough and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the vale. When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay.
- 3) Not earth, nor hell, my soul can move; I rest upon unchanging love. I trust his righteous character, his counsel, promise, and his pow'r.

## Offering and Worship March 21, 2021

Offering \$ 3.955.00 Attendance 90 Worship Link Views = 61 Views to links may include more than one person

# **Giving at Tabor**

You are welcome to bring your offerings and place them in the containers that are available as you enter the sanctuary. You may also continue your faithful giving to the ministries of the church in the following ways:

- 1) Mail your offering to: Tabor Mennonite Church, 891 Chisholm Trail, Newton, Kansas 67114
- 2) Start an automatic deposit from your bank account. Contact the church for more information. 367-2318; kfunk@tabormennonite.org
- 3) Use the online bill pay option that your bank has in place. Contact your financial institution if you are not familiar with this process.

Donations will also be accepted for the basement remodel project. Please write a separate check to Tabor Mennonite Church with 'basement project' clearly indicated on the memo line.

# Holy Week

On this Palm Sunday, we begin our observance of Holy Week with the children's palm branch processional. We remember the triumphant entry of Jesus, the Son of God, and the hope that processional brought to those present, which is a hope that is real for us today.

Tabor's Maundy Thursday service will be offered at 7pm on Thursday, April 1 in the Hospitality Hall. This service will include communion. For anyone who does not feel comfortable worshiping in person, a drive thru communion option will be offered at 6:30 pm under the car port.

Share an Easter Lily to honor loved ones at the Easter service on April 4. Names of those to be honored, along with names of those sharing the lilies need to be turned in to the church office by Wednesday evening, March 31 to be listed in the bulletin. Please deliver your lily to the church before Saturday, April 3 with the name of donor clearly marked on the bottom of the plant. Call before making your delivery to make sure the church is unlocked when you arrive. Donors may pick up their plants after the Easter service. Plants left at the church after Easter Sunday will be used in future Sunday visuals and/or taken to Bethesda for residents to enjoy.

Easter Morning! Celebrate Christ's Resurrection! Join in worship at 10:45 am at the church, via livestream or through the readings sent to you.

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