

Tabor Mennonite Church

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Philippians: Joy Rebels

This is the second Sunday in our "Joy Ride" series following the book of Philippians. In the 4 verses we are focusing on today, Paul brings to life what it means to live a life worthy of the Gospel. May we find joy in the assurance of Jesus' love and joy in the rewards we gain when we stand firm in our faith!

WORSHIP

PRELUDE Mark Schmidt

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Ruby Graber

RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP

CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 84:1-4*

GATHERING SONG *"The Mountain of God"* No. 11
Accompanist: Pastor Katherine Goerzen

GATHERING PRAYER No. 866

HYMN OF PRAISE *"How Great is Our God"* No. 116

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

CHILDREN'S STORY Pastor Katherine Goerzen

SCRIPTURE READING *Philippians 1:27-30* Adriana Duerksen
The Word of God for the people of God ~ Thanks be to God!

SERMON Pastor Luke Unruh

HYMN OF RESPONSE *"Build Your Kingdom Here"* No. 393

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING & PRAYER Pastor Luke Unruh

SENDING HYMN *"You Shall Go Out With Joy"* No. 847

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Sunday, June 27

Welcome to worship at Tabor Church! Come together to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Diane Loewen. A special welcome is extended to all visitors.

9:30 am: Worship Service in the Sanctuary.
YouTube Livestream (also available following the service).
Link: <https://youtu.be/yANBr6WsXaU>

Fellowship Time following worship.

10:45 am: Faith Formation. **Everyone is welcome to join a class.**

Children's Faith Formation will begin at the front of the sanctuary before going out to the park.

Adult Faith Formation:

--Adult class: Adult Quarterly - Conference Room

--Adult class: Sermon Response - Library

--BASIC: Characters in the Bible - Hospitality Hall

--CAFÉ & Young Adults: Discussion & Fellowship - Pastor Katherine's office

--WOW: Book, "God Calling" - South room in basement

Room assignments may be subject to change.

This Week

The east foyer doors will be unlocked 8am - 9pm daily.

Mon. June 28, 7pm - Men's Bible Study in the Hospitality Hall.

Tues. June 29, 9 am - Staff meeting.

Thurs. July 1, 8 am - Bulletin announcements are due.

Fri. July 2 - Sat. July 3 - Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale.

Next Sunday, July 4

9:30 am: Next Sunday we continue our worship series on "Joy!" The series focuses on the book of Philippians, Paul's epistle of joy. The theme will be Joy Empties and scripture for reflection will be Philippians 2:1-11. Pastor Katherine will be preaching. A report from the MCC Relief Sale will also be shared.

Fellowship Time following worship.

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Prayer Requests

The following prayer request was shared on Sunday, June 20

- ★ Fred Unruh shared that he came upon an accident where a grain truck had been hit by a train. Fortunately the driver had been able to walk away. Fred requested prayers for safety for all who are involved with harvest. Lord, hear our prayers.

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ Tabor Children attending Camp Mennoscah. Lord hear our prayer for a meaningful and fun filled experience.
- ★ the caring quilt is with the Mike and Jodi Unruh family following the death of Mike's Dad, Harold Unruh.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for health and strength for members of WDC congregations and their communities, as we continue to move forward from the pandemic.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for Anicka Fast and John Clark, who are serving as country co-directors for Mennonite Central Committee in Burkina Faso. Anicka, in her half-time assignment with Mission Network, also teaches missiology and church history, in addition to mentoring Africans who are doing archival work for their churches' stories.

Remember to Praise God for:

- ★ Camp 412 (Goessel Community Junior High Camp) was held at Goessel Church Saturday, June 26. Thanks be to God for this opportunity for students to deepen their faith in God.
- ★ the season of harvest and the planting of fall crops. Lord, hear our prayer for safety for all those involved at this busy time. Thanks be to God for the yields of the land!

Congregational Announcements

Summer Faith Formation for Children: Please sign up to help with children's faith formation this summer on the following link. Faith Formation will consist of a Bible Story and playing together in the park. Thanks for your help! Please talk to Pam Abrahams if you have questions.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080E4AADA92BA3F58-summer>

Tabor Table Talks are scheduled for July 11, July 25, and August 15. These will take place during faith formation hour for adults, and will involve sharing about our faith, looking back at what has been important for our congregation, and looking forward with our hopes and dreams. These round table discussions in the Hospitality Hall and a survey that was sent out will help us know each other and our core values, and will also inform the pastor search committee process. Link to survey:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfFCvrXj0pbEQJB6Fh0qHc98Px7VImCQwKNMnR2vE63nskJ5Q/viewform?usp=sf_link

Service Adventure Fundraiser Meal for Dawson: Please join us for a fundraiser meal on July 11 to support Dawson Duerksen for his up-coming Service Adventure assignment in Albuquerque, New Mexico. This will be a drive-through meal following the church service and extended until after Faith Formation. The meal will consist of a pulled pork sandwich, chips, carrots, and a cookie. Please make donations through the following link: app.mobilecause.com/vf/SAAIbuquerque/DawsonDuerksen or Text SAAIbuquerque1 to 71777 to access the link through your mobile device. Cash or checks can be given/made out to Dawson anytime. Mennonite Mission Network expects each participant to contribute \$4,000 to support the unit during this term. Thank you so much for your monetary support as well as your prayers for Dawson during this adventure!

Delegate Opportunity: If you are interested in being a delegate for the MCUSA Convention (which has an online option and will be held during the afternoon of July 10) or Western District Assembly (a virtual session on the morning of July 31), please let a pastor know and we can discuss details as well as any questions you may have. Thanks!

We are happy that so many of our children attended camp this year!

We do not have a complete list of every child from Tabor that attended camp, but would like to invite those children who attended to share about their time at camp during worship on July 25. Please let us know if your child attended camp so that we can recognize them. Also, if your child will be available to share about camp on July 25 (ex. a story, a highlight, something they appreciated/found meaningful), please let Kim or a pastor know.

Because we were not meeting in person when camp registrations were first available, it was not possible to sign up on the bulletin board indicating dates of camp attendance or for the \$50 scholarships made available for Tabor children attending Camp Mennoscah and Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp. If you missed the bulletin announcement indicating an email be sent to receive a scholarship, or if you forgot to do that, please email Kim at kfunk@tabormennonite.org and she will reimburse \$50 for each child directly to you.

Conference Announcements

Western District Conference:

--Have you noticed WDC's website has a new look? Check it out at <https://mennowdc.org>. While it is still a work in progress, the refreshed website is now THE place to go for all things WDC! **Beginning in July, the WDC Sprouts weekly newsletter email will be discontinued.** WDC articles, announcements, and other information will be posted exclusively on the website. Email alerts will be sent to let you know when new content has been posted.

--**The WDC Annual Assembly** will be held July 30-Aug 1, both virtually and at Faith Mennonite Church, 2100 North Anderson in Newton KS. For Assembly info and to register, go to:
<https://mennowdc.org/2021-wdc-annual-assembly/>

Camp Mennoscah:

--**Family Weekend** at Camp Mennoscah on July 17-18! If you are looking for a weekend to escape, Family Weekend offers a smorgasbord of camp activities for you to choose from and plenty of time to roam the river and be with your family and friends. Register at campmennoscah.org and contact 620-297-3290 with questions!

--**Extra help and hands needed** for summer youth camps! Camp Mennoscah has paid and volunteer positions for grounds, maintenance and custodial positions. For those of college age, there is a weekly stipend position that could be a lifeguard, grounds, or custodial position. Contact Camp Mennoscah olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org or 620-297-3290 for details. You will make camp an amazing experience for everyone!

--August 28 is the next **Work Day at Camp Mennoscah!** We'll remind you again, but save the date. You make camp great!

Mennonite Central Committee:

--**Virtual Borderlands Learning Tour**, June 28 - July 2 from 2-5 p.m. CDT each day via Zoom Engage with the reality of immigration from a different perspective. Through virtual conversations, participants will hear first-hand from folks on the ground about the complexities of the U.S. immigration system, U.S. immigration policies that have worked to dismantle the asylum-seeking process, and the human factor on various sides of the spectrum. For more information and to register:
mcc.org/gl-virtual-borderlands.

--The **MCC Alumni Gathering** is July 9-11 and all MCC alumni and their families are invited to join us at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp.
[Please sign up by June 25!](#)

--**Current openings at MCC** can be found at mcc.org. Current open positions include Canning & Trucking Manager, Multimedia Producer, Meat Canner and many international service opportunities.

Mennonite Disaster Service: The June edition of *On the Level* is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: MDS and the Brethren Church formalize a partnership of caring, the last houses in the Land of Hope are dedicated, bringing to completion a three year effort, and youth across the U.S. are packing their bags to embark on MDS Summer Youth programs. Click on this link to read more: <https://conta.cc/3gsx0PZ>

Kauffman Museum First-Saturday Bird Walk, Saturday, July 3. Meet at 7 a.m. in the museum parking lot, corner of Main and 27th streets, North Newton. Experienced birders will lead a walk of 1 to 1.5 hours. Please be aware this is mostly on an unpaved trail and the terrain is sometimes sloping or steep.

Thanks

Thank you to those who helped finish cleaning the parsonage this past Thursday as well as those who helped last Wednesday!

~Camille Adrian

Covid19 Protocol for June

- Mask Wearing Indoors is still encouraged but not mandated. Unvaccinated persons and under the age of 12 are required to wear masks. Masks are not required outdoors. Due to ongoing active Covid cases, large groups in facilities shall still take precaution.
- Social Distance seating arrangement in the sanctuary will be discontinued.
- Social Distance seating on dots during children's story time will continue.
- During worship service the people speaking from the front microphones are encouraged to remove your mask to accommodate those who have difficulty understanding the speakers.
- Musicians are still encouraged to perform from the stage to minimize the transmission of respiratory droplets.
- Congregational singing will resume.
- Contact Trace Recording will be discontinued. If you test positive after attending a church event, PLEASE call one of the Covid Task Team or the Church Office.
- Sanitizing stations will remain available and encouraged to be used.
- Mailboxes are in use.
- Gatherings that include serving of food are still discouraged. Groups of less than 50 may meet with food if individual plates are prepared and served (versus potluck style).
- Thank You, Covid Task Team – Gayle Funk, Duane Duerksen, Erica Stoltzfus



Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale 2021

July 2 & 3 | Kansas State Fairgrounds

--This is the LAST Sunday before the KS MCC Sale Friday, July 2 starting at 4 pm and ALL day Saturday, July 3 starting at 8 am.

--This is a GREAT place to eat out this weekend. Please come and spend money. All money spent goes directly to MCC projects where the worst humanitarian crisis are occurring.

--ALL donations must be to the church by 8am Friday morning. This includes pies and zweibach and projects.

--Bring your coins and put them in the jar on the table in the Foyer.

--PLEASE Volunteer. Sign up on line. www.kansas.mccsale.org -- click on volunteer and choose a job somewhere. It is fun to be a part of this Great Event!! Get involved for MORE FUN.

--Make Ham Gravy - 1 1/2 hr shifts Friday and Saturday

--Help at KS Crafts - Thursday, Friday and Saturday

--Help with the Quilt auction - Saturday

--Quilter's Corner - Saturday

--Help Fry Verenike - Friday

--Make Verenike in Hillsboro Parkview MB **this Wednesday**

- help needed both morning and afternoon

--Help take pictures of Tabor folks and send to: unruh.sherry@gmail.com these will be used next Sunday in a Slide Show.

--Bring dark colored hand towels for hygiene kits, or money for relief kits to the MCC booth at the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale (July 2 & 3 in Hutchinson), to help replenish our supplies at the MCC Resource Center in Newton. Both of these kits have been used for COVID-19 relief efforts around the world and MCC needs more to fulfill requests from partners! You'll find us in Sunflower North, where the General Auction takes place.

--Stay connected and don't miss a thing at this year's MCC Relief Sale! Get live updates and other up-to-the-minute information via Facebook, Instagram & Twitter. Go to [@kansas.mccsale](https://www.facebook.com/kansas.mccsale) on Facebook and [@kasmccsale](https://www.instagram.com/kasmccsale) on both Instagram and Twitter to like and follow.

See you at the sale!

--Relief Sale Contact Persons:

Jerry and Leann Toews, Kristin Schmidt, Eric Litwiller

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

June 20, 2021

Offering	= \$ 3,535.00	Attendance	= 127
Adult F.F.	= \$ 0.00	Attendance	= 31
Jr. F.F.	= \$ 0.00	Attendance	= 23

Worship Link Views = 41

Views to links may include more than one person



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