



Philippians: Joy Rides On

We conclude our Joy Rides series this morning as we focus on the end of Paul's letter to the Philippians. Paul tells us that through God and the resurrection of Christ, he can accomplish anything. Let us rejoice in Paul's words this morning.

WORSHIP

PRELUDE Isaac Swartzendruber

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Carol Duerksen

RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*GATHERING HYMN *"I Will Enter His Gates"* No. 64 CS
accompanied by Russell Adrian

*GATHERING PRAYER

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

*HYMN OF JOY AND OFFERING OUR GIFTS
"Come Receive His Joy" No. 124 CS

CHILDREN'S STORY Carol Duerksen

SCRIPTURE READING *Philippians 4:9-23* Hannah Adrian
The Word of God for the people of God ~ Thanks be to God!

SERMON Pastor Luke Unruh

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *"I Come With Joy"* No. 478

FAITH SHARING Mark Smith

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING & PRAYER Pastor Luke Unruh
Blessing for Dawson Duerksen and his year of Service

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

*BENEDICTION *based on Philippians 4:19-20*

*POSTLUDE **Please stand if you are able*

Sunday, August 8

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

The flowers this morning are shared by the family of Elma Goertz.

9:30 am: Worship Service in the Sanctuary.
YouTube Livestream (also available following the service).
Link: <https://youtu.be/y4aRUBbhy1w>

Fellowship Time following worship.

10:45 am: Faith Formation

Adult Faith Formation:

--Adult class: Adult Quarterly - Conference Room

--Adult class: Sermon Response - Library

--BASIC (Brothers And Sisters In Christ): Characters in the Bible - Hospitality Hall

--CAFÉ (Conversation And Fellowship for Everyone) & Young Adults:
Discussion & Fellowship - Hospitality Hall

--WOW (Women of Worth): Book, "God Calling" - South room in basement

Jr. High Faith Formation will meet in the basement.

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

2:00 pm: Celebration of Life Service for Elma Goertz. All are invited to the service. The family requests that masks be worn.

This Week

Mon. Aug. 9, 7pm - Men's Bible Study in the Hospitality Hall.

Tues. Aug 10, 9 am - Staff meeting.

Wed. Aug. 11, 5:30 pm - Faithful Fitness

Sat. Aug. 14, 11:30 am - Work Day in basement. *see announcements*
2:00 pm - Celebration of Life Service for Archie Schmidt.

Next Sunday, August 15

9:30 am: Next Sunday we will begin a new worship series, "On Tabor's Heights." The theme for the morning will be "Returning from Exile." Scripture for reflection will be Ezra 1:1-10; Isaiah 40:1-5, 28-31 and Pastor Katherine will be preaching.

Fellowship Time following worship.

10:45 am: Faith Formation.

Jr. High - Adults: The last of our Table Talks will take place in the Hospitality Hall. We will be sharing about our hopes and dreams for Tabor's future.

Children: Meet at the front of the sanctuary and continue in church park.

Prayer Requests

The following prayer request were shared on Sunday, August 1

- ★ Pastor Katherine shared that Wilma Schmidt passed away peacefully Saturday, July 31. Thanks be to God for Wilma's life! Lord, hear our prayers for peace and comfort for all who are grieving her loss. A Celebration of Life Service is planned for August 22 at 3pm at Tabor Church.

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ the family of Elma Goertz, as they gather this afternoon to celebrate the life of Elma. The family of Archie Schmidt, as they prepare to celebrate his life on August 14. Lord, hear our prayers for peace and comfort.
- ★ The caring quilt is with Emil and Vickie Schmidt following the death of Wilma Schmidt. Lord, hear our prayers for peace and comfort for the family.
- ★ Western District Conference: Give thanks for WDC members who have been affirmed for conference leadership roles this coming year, and pray for God's guidance as they serve in this way.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: This month, the Bokgoni Sporting Club in Botswana is showcasing opportunities for at-risk teenage girls to participate in life-skills training and sports. MMN requests prayer for increased community participation in this program.

Remember to Praise for:

- ★ Mennonite Mission Network and the work of Service Adventure. Thanks be to God for the opportunities that this program offers and the response from Dawson Duerksen to be a part of the unit in Albuquerque, NM. Lord, hear our prayers for Dawson as he embarks on this year of service.

Congregational Announcements

Tabor Volunteers Needed: The trustees are planning to have a work day in the church basement on Saturday, August 14th. Work will include hanging drywall and installing ceiling grid tiles. Plan to show up at 8:00 am and work until 11:30 am. Refreshments are also appreciated. Contact a trustee if you can come or with any questions.

New Hope Shelter Ministry: Thanks to Shelley Buller for volunteering to coordinate the meals for New Hope Shelter during the weeks that Tabor volunteers to work at the shelter. If you are interested in volunteering to prepare and/or serve meals, please let Shelley know.

Congregational Meeting: Following the worship service on August 22 we will have a short congregational meeting to have a vote to retain Pastor Katherine for another 3 year term. The deacons have decided to forego a review at this time due to the situation we have had this past year with the change in Pastor Katherine's role from half-time to full-time and the effects of the pandemic year. The deacons will initiate a pastoral review for a later date.
~The Board of Deacons

The Tabor Mennonite Church campout at Camp Mennoscah will be September 18-19! Registration forms and more details will be coming soon. Please also consider how you can help; we will need people/groups to prepare meals, clean up after meals, etc. Talk to or email Kara Swartzendruber (karaswartzendruber@yahoo.com) or Krista Graber (klgrabr@yahoo.com).

Save the date: Mennogross will be Sunday, August 29! It will be an evening of music and fellowship.

Dawson's Service Adventure: Thank you for all of the generous donations for my service adventure year in Albuquerque! If you would still like to donate, please use this link: <http://app.mobilecause.com/vf/SAAlbuquerque/DawsonDuerksen>, or give cash or checks to me, or write a check to Tabor Church and memo it for my service adventure. Thanks again for your support!
~Dawson Duerksen

Faithful Fitness is back! All are welcome to join this class occurring Wednesdays from 5:30-6:00 pm in the church basement. Kevin Nickel provides strength, flexibility and fitness training for people of all ages and abilities.

Marion County Core Communities exists to help people living without resources. This group of about 20 people (families and leaders) meets weekly at Trinity Mennonite Church in Hillsboro to offer information and relationships to help give people resources to build a future. Meals are served at these Thursday evening classes. If you would be willing to help provide a meal, please contact Kim Funk, Outreach, for more information. Core Communities of Marion County and Peace Connections/Circles (Harvey County) are both supported by the Tabor Church Budget.

Kansas MDS Unit sponsoring two Learning and Service Trips to McAllen Texas: Dates of two trips: October 16 - 23, February 19 - 26. Participants will leave Kansas on Saturday morning traveling to San Antonio, TX, staying overnight. Visiting San Antonio Mennonite Church on Sunday morning. Sunday afternoon traveling to McAllen TX for the MDS project. Costs: Lodging and meals on the two traveling weekends. MDS will cover the remainder of the expenses. Reservations: To make your reservations or for more information contact Cleo Koop at cleohkoop@gmail.com or call 316-282-0797. If you are interested in volunteering at McAllen, TX on different weeks than what is in this announcement please call the volunteer coordinator at 800-241-8111.

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/5080E4ADA92BA3F58-summer>

Conference Announcements

--Women's Retreat: All women 13 years and older are invited to the annual Women's Retreat being held Saturday, September 11 through Sunday, September 12 at Camp Mennoscah near Murdock, KS. Kathy Neufeld Dunn will be our main speaker on Re/Connecting with God and Each Other. Whether we need time to reconnect with God, with our sisters in Christ or both, Women's Retreat is a chance to do that. Join us for a special time of focus on spiritual and emotional connection with each other and the One who loves us and cares for us beyond imagining. [Click here for more information and registration forms.](#) Covid rules and restrictions will be followed, and a few things will look different so please read the information carefully. We hope to see there!

--WDC and Bethel College invite you to save the date for Bethel's 5th **Biennial Worship and the Arts Symposium** at Bethel College --Joining Voices Together, November 5-8, 2021, featuring the new denominational hymnal, Voices Together (2020). This worship book is resonating across Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Church Canada as we reach for connection with each other and with God's work in the world. The Symposium will include convocation speakers on Nov 5 and 8, seminars and evening worship on Nov 6, and guest presenters in area congregations on Nov 7. Come gather around stories that shaped Voices Together; contemplate the visual art curated for this collection; experience historical, contemporary and intercultural worship; and develop tools for adopting new resources in your worshiping community. More information and registration available soon at bethelks.edu/worshiparts

Camp Mennoscah:

--The next Work Day is August 28 with all sorts of fun projects! Meet at the Maintenance shed at 8:30am and bring your lunch and a water bottle. Come for a partial day, if that's what works! Call us at 620-297-3290 or email office@campmennoscah.org! You are important to Camp Mennoscah's ministry!

--The Mental Health Spiritual Retreat held over Labor Day Weekend will take a hiatus to review and reflect upon mission. There will be no retreat in the fall of 2021.

Mennonite Church USA:

--Be Transformed: At the close of MennoCon21, Glen Guyton, executive director of Mennonite Church USA, announced the new theme for this biennium: "Be Transformed." Read more about what Guyton had to say here: <https://www.mennoniteusa.org/news/guyton-call-for-change>.

--A new video from Mennonite Church USA shows how the **Justice Fund** is supporting peace and justice work across the denomination through mutual aid. See how Justice Fund grants are helping congregations dismantle racism, uplift the oppressed and promote peace:
<https://www.mennoniteusa.org/justice-fund-video>.

Mennonite World Conference: The pandemic has both taught us how valuable in-person relationships are and how possible it is to connect online with people around the world. MWC's global Assembly next year will take place in both of these formats. We look forward to welcoming more people through our hybrid event. We are grateful for your congregation's commitment to serve Jesus Christ together with our global sisters and brothers, and we eagerly anticipate gathering at Assembly 2022 in Indonesia! Won't you join us in this worldwide family reunion? You can be part of this life changing event – in person or online: worship together, join workshops, Global Church Village, storytelling, Art Exhibit, Anabaptist World Cup soccer, Assembly Scattered, church visits. Registration opens December 2021

Tabor College presents Music on the Plaza with two events on the Kliever Plaza, just east of the Shari Flaming Center for the Arts.

--Saturday, August 16, 6:30-8:30pm: The Mike Feters --Tom Harder Jazz Duo with guest vocalist, Lois Harder.

--Friday, August 27, 6:30-8:30pm: Tom and Lois Harder Folk Duo. All concerts are free and open to the public. Bring your lawn chair.

AUGUST COVID19 PROTOCOL

--Due to the recent increases in Covid19 and the Delta variant, the CDC recommends that everyone (including vaccinated persons) **wear masks when indoors** in areas of high or substantial community transmission. We Strongly Encourage following this mask guidance at this time.

--Social Distance seating on dots during children's story time will continue.

--During worship people speaking from the front microphones are encouraged to remove masks to accommodate those who have difficulty understanding the speakers.

--Musicians are encouraged to perform from the stage.

--Congregational Singing has resumed.

--Passing Offering Bags will resume.

--PLEASE KEEP HANDSHAKING TO A MINIMUM WITH GREETERS AND DURING THE SERVICE.

--If you test positive after attending a church event, **PLEASE** call one of the Covid Task Team or the church office. **This is important!**

--Sanitizing stations will remain available and encouraged to be used.

--Mailboxes are in use.

--Gatherings that include serving of food are 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

Notes

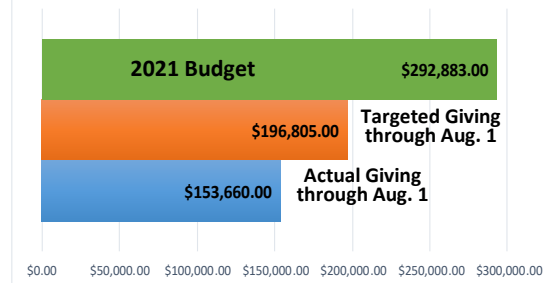
OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE August 1, 2021

Offering	= \$ 4,193.39	Attendance	= 89
Adult FF	= \$ 39.00	Attendance	= 40
Jr. FF	= \$.00	Attendance	= 12

Worship Link Views = 39

Views to links may include more than one person

Tabor Church Budget Update



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