Tabor Mennonite Church

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Sunday, January 16

Tabor Mennonite is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Pastor Luke will provide reflections on selected scripture passages. There will also be a time for Sharing and Prayer.

Time: Jan 16, 2022 10:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kbEcwb2BoY

2:00 pm: Mennonite Disaster Service Annual meeting at TMC.

This Week

Mon, Jan. 17, 5:30 pm - Faithful Fitness. 7 pm - Men's Bible Study.

Tues, Jan. 18, 9 am - Staff meeting. **7 pm -** Deacon Meeting.

Wed, Jan. 19, 5:45 pm - Wednesday Evening supper and programs.

Fri, Jan. 21 - Sun, Jan 23- Junior High Snow Camp.

Pastor Luke will be accompanying Jr. High students.

Next Sunday, January 23

9:30 am: Next Sunday Michael Unruh will be preaching. Scriptures for focus will be: Isaiah 49:5-7, Psalm 40:7-11, I Corinthians 1:4-7, and John 1:29-31, 35-42.

10:45 am: Faith Formation.

Mennonite Heritage & Ag Museum Annual Meeting which was to take place on Sunday, January 23 has been cancelled.

Prayer Requests

The following prayer requests were shared on Sunday, January 9.

- ★ Dale highlighted the bookmarks made available with a call to prayer for the members of the pastoral search committee; these bookmarks serve as a reminder to support them in prayer during this time. Lord, hear our prayers for patience, wisdom, and discernment as they seek out candidates, as well as for energy to do the work set before them.
- ★ Bruce led the congregation in prayer for Kent and Rosie. Lord, hear our prayers for their family in the midst of this journey. Surround them with your comforting presence, assure them of your love, and fill them with your peace which passes understanding.

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ the family of Kent Jantz. Kent passed away early Wednesday morning, January 12. Lord, hear our prayers for your peace and comfort and love to surround Kent's family and all who grieve the loss of Kent. A memorial service will take place at Tabor at 2pm on January 22.
- ★ the impact that COVID has on our lives. Pray for hospitals, nursing homes and schools. Pray for complete recovery for those who have COVID or other illnesses. Lord, hear our prayers.
- ★ those who are grieving and remembering the loss of loved ones. Lord, hear our prayers.
- ★ our Pastor Search team as they meet. Lord, hear our prayers for listening ears, wisdom, and clarity.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for WDC congregations joining God's work of economic justice, racial equity and peace-building in our communities and world.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: This weekend, as we remember Martin Luther King Jr., who followed Jesus' way of nonviolent civil disobedience to bring hope to people who have been marginalized by society, pray for MMN's ministry of dismantling racism in the United States and around the world.

Remember to Praise God for:

★ The beauty of the earth, the smiles shared by those around us, the warmth of home, the words of encouragement, the care that is provided for one another. In difficult times, God's presence and steadfast love is made known. Look for the signs and take joy in them. Thanks be to God!

Congregational Announcements

From the Pastor Search Committee: The search committee invites the congregation to fill out the Mennonite Church USA Congregational and Pastoral Priorities form. This information will aid in the search process. Details are on the cover letter included with the form. You may access the form online: https://forms.gle/n47GqbXcMAeAf62q7 Paper copies are also available on the table in the foyer.

Wednesday Evenings: On January 19 the Wednesday evening programming focus will be on our annual Circle of Grace education. Our Circle of Grace is the immediate space around ourselves where the Holy Spirit dwells. In the lessons we are equipped to respect ourselves and everyone else as persons created by God. Lessons include: respecting boundaries, naming trusted adults/mentors, understanding influence of the media & the internet, anti-bullying resources, coping with stress and pressure, developing a proactive awareness to abuse & grooming, and more. MCUSA encourages all congregations to use and resource the Circle of Grace Curriculum. Did you know that Circle of Grace and Safe Sanctuaries education is a part of Creating a Safe Environment on Tabor's campus and efforts such as these affect our insurance rates? A safe environment also communicates a caring and welcoming message to new visitors to Tabor.

Community Junior High: It's time for another Goessel Community Junior High event! On Sunday, January 30 from 4:30-7:30 all 6th-8th graders are invited to Goessel Church for a pizza and game night. We'll be making individual pizzas and will have a variety of games ready to play! RSVP's are encouraged to Laura (lauraelaine25@gmail.com) or Michelle (michellerunruh@gmail.com).

Tabor Food Pantry: We are accepting grocery donations at the Food Pantry. Any donation is welcome. Items most needed at this time are: cereal, pancake mix, syrup, spaghetti noodles, spaghetti sauce, applesauce, jelly, canned meats. Non food items: toilet paper, laundry soap, dish soap. Monetary donations are welcome as well. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.

Wanted for the Kansas MCC Sale General Auction: Cars, Trucks, Tractors, Motorcycles, Campers, etc. Call Jerry Toews, 620-367-8257, for details and pickup NOW so we have time to get them cleaned up and ready for the sale in April. ALL proceeds go to MCC. We usually get GOOD prices for your donations. Help make a difference in the lives of those struggling around the world through MCC. Thank you!

New Hope Shelter is looking for a part time person who can work at least 2 weekends a month; that is 2 Saturdays and 2 Sundays per month from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. If you are interested, please contact New Hope at 316-283-7711.

Bethel College will host two activities for the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday that are free and open to the public. Memorial Hall: Jan. 17, 7 p.m., program with Jasmyn Elise Story as the featured speaker; Jan. 18, 2 p.m., screening of the Kellogg Foundation's 2022 National Day of Racial Healing event.

Everence will hold an informative Medicare webinar on Tuesday, Jan. 18, at 6:30 pm. Topics will include, when and where to sign up for Medicare, what Medicare does (and doesn't) cover, Medicare Parts A, B, C and D in clear, understandable language plus budgeting for health care costs in retirement. To register contact Everence at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE January 9, 2022

Offering = \$ 6,888.00 Attendance = 124 Adult FF = \$ 17.00 Attendance = 21 Jr. FF = \$ 10.75 Attendance = 39

Worship Link Views = 36

Special Offering: Mennonite College Scholarships \$2,951.00

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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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