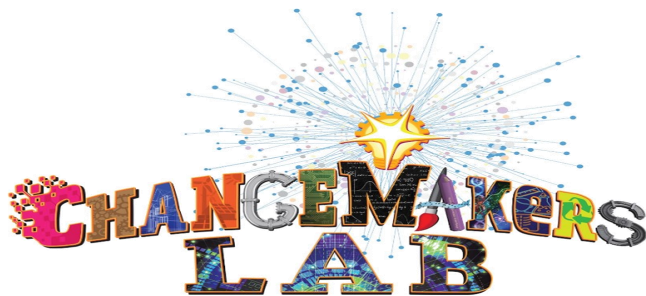


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Vacation Bible School Celebration Sunday

Welcome to our VBS Celebration Sunday! During this past week, we have been learning about 5 different stories from the Bible that help equip us to follow Jesus' way of peace that explored examples of people who experienced and brought about change in the world around them. We are excited for this opportunity to share stories from this past week's Vacation Bible School as well as from Camp 412!

WORSHIP

PRELUDE		VBS Songs
PROCESSIONAL		<i>"We Are Changemakers"</i>
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Eunice Nickel
PRAYER		Eunice Nickel
*CONGREGATIONAL SONG	<i>"Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"</i>	No. 29
CHANGEMAKER CHANT		VBS Children
WORSHIP MUSIC	<i>"We Are Changemakers"</i> <i>"All the Time"</i> <i>"Jesus, We Will Sing of Your Love"</i>	VBS Children
VBS DRAMA	<i>"How Is This Possible"</i>	<i>based on John 3</i>
	Eunice Nickel and Jim Schmidt	

VBS SHARING

Pre-K — Kindergarten	<i>Matthew 5:14a</i> and <i>"Shining Light"</i>
1st & 2nd Grades	Bible Verse <i>Mark 1:15</i>
3rd Grade	<i>"Five Friends"</i> <i>based on Mark 2:1-12</i>
4th & 5th Grades	<i>"Can You Imagine?"</i> <i>based on Isaiah 65</i>
6th Grade	Service Project Sharing

OFFERING PROJECT SHARING *New Hope Shelter* Keri Unruh
PRAYER

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

"They Will Know We Are Christians By Our Love" VBS Children
Red bags: Tabor Church Budget; Trash Cans: VBS Project: New Hope Shelter
Make checks payable to Tabor Mennonite Church with New Hope Shelter on the memo line.

VBS SLIDE SHOW PRESENTATION

CAMP 412 SHARING AND SLIDE SHOW PRESENTATION

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING & PRAYER Pastor Katherine Goerzen

*SENDING CONGREGATIONAL SONG *"Alleluia, Praise the Lord"* Insert

SENDING SONG OF BLESSING *"Let Your Light Shine"* VBS Children

SENDING Eunice Nickel

POSTLUDE **Please stand if you are able*

Sunday, June 12

Welcome to worship at Tabor Mennonite Church! Come together to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Duane & Janna Duerksen Family. A special welcome is extended to all visitors.

A special thank you to VBS Coordinators Keri Unruh, DeVon Hiebert, and Eunice Nickel for the leadership they provided to make VBS successful and joyful this year. Thanks to everyone who offered leadership and volunteered in so many ways. A special thanks to the children for their eagerness to learn and play, and to the parents for sharing their children with us!

10:00 am: Worship

YouTube Livestream (also available following the service).

https://youtube.com/live/9QmtwsD_e1s?feature=share

Following the celebration there will be a potluck meal in the Tabor Church Hospitality Hall. All are welcome to stay to enjoy the meal and fellowship together.

This Week

Bulletin announcement are due Thursday mornings.

Mon, June 12

Blood Drive: Start your summer with plans to donate blood on **June 12, between 1:00-6:00 pm** at the Goessel Church. June is a busy month, so extra effort will be needed for a successful drive. Make a single unit donation or a Power Red donation to help meet the needs. Sign up online at redcrossblood.org for an appointment. For more information contact Nancy Stucky 620-747-0081 or Rosie Reimer 620-367-2418.

5:30 pm - Faithful Fitness.

7 pm - Men's Bible Study.

Wed, June 14, 7:00 pm—Christian Education Meeting

Fri, June 16, 10:00 am—Senior Coffee at Alexanderwohl .

Glen Ediger will be our guest speaking on “Leave No Threshing Stone Unturned” -- The unique story of this antiquated farm implement that was used for threshing wheat.

Next Sunday, June 18

9:30 am: Next Sunday we continue our worship series, Seeking Peace Together. The theme will be “Born of the Spirit”. Scripture for reflection will be John 3:1-21 and Pastor Todd will be preaching.

10:45 am: Faith Formation for some adult classes.

Summer Strummin’ will begin on Sunday, June 18 during the Faith Formation time for all ages. Bring your guitar, ukulele, mandolin, or anything else that strikes your fancy. Beginning chords will be taught by Russell on guitar and by Hannah on ukulele. Contact Russell by June 11 if you would like to borrow a ukulele or guitar.

Prayer Requests

The following requests were shared on Sunday, June 4.

- ★ Cleo Koop shared words of thanksgiving for the time and leadership provided to the MDS Cabinet Shop. Cleo also shared that the Cabinet Shop significantly exceeded its cabinet goal for the past year. Thanks be to God!
- ★ Myron Voth invited prayers for the Walton community as the community adjusts to the closing of the school.

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ All of the many birthdays and anniversaries being celebrated within our congregational family.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for WDC staff and planning team members as they prepare for WDC annual assembly, August 11-13.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network praises God for the ministries of Elena, Freddy and Mathías Satalaya in Bolivia and Peru. They are jointly supported by Virginia Mennonite Missions. Pray for the Satalayas as they begin several years of study in the United States.

Remember to Praise God for:

- ★ Vacation Bible School and the joy and excitement that were a part of the learning every day! Thanks be to God!!

Congregational Announcements

Update your contact information for Tabor Secretary and Treasurer.

Secretary: Diane Unruh, email: secretary@tabormennonite.org.

Treasurer: Lindsey Buller, email: treasurer@tabormennonite.org.

Please delete kfunk@tabormennonite.org from your address book.

Tabor Mennonite Women will volunteer at the MCC Resource Center on Monday, June 19 at 9:00am to noon. Bring snack to share for morning break.

Watermelon & Crullers Fellowship Event: You are invited to join us on Sunday, July 2 at 6:30 pm for an evening of fellowship, games, watermelon & crullers in the park. Bring your lawn chairs, and lawn games if you like. Let Pam Abrahams or Eunice Nickel know if you would be willing to make some crullers. We hope to see you there!

Upcoming:

Mon, July 3-Thurs, July 6—MennoCon23 in Kansas City

Fri, July 7-Sat, July 8—MC USA Convention in Kansas City

Fri, Aug. 11-Sun, Aug 13—WDC Annual Assembly at Tabor

Conference and Community Announcements

Mennonite Central Committee

—**MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton critically low on inventory:** An MCC kit cannot be distributed until each item for the kit is assembled, but some supplies in the Material Resources Center are so low that kits cannot be processed for shipping. You can help by filling the following needs: *new* infant onesies and sleepers (3-12 month sizes); notebooks (70 sheets) and black or blue ballpoint pens. Locally, MCC distributes prisoner care and returning citizen care kits, for those kits we currently need: shampoo (20 oz or more), men’s deodorant (min 2.25 oz) and toothpaste (min. 5 oz). Buy online and ship it to MCC or bring items to MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30th St, North Newton, KS 67117). Questions are always welcome, please contact brociamueller@mcc.org or 316.283.2720. A full list of MCC kit contents can be found at mcc.org/kits

Western District Conference:

—**Staff position opening:** Western District Conference seeks a half-time Business Manager beginning July 10, at WDC’s North Newton, KS, office (some remote work possible). Responsibilities include financial management, bookkeeping, reporting and payroll. Qualifications include organizational, computer and communication skills, bookkeeping or accounting experience, and willingness to support WDC’s mission and priorities. For position description and application form, see <https://mennowdc.org/wdc-staff-position-opening/>. Interested applicants please submit application form and letter of interest to the Conference Minister at heidirk@mennowdc.org.

Western District Conference (cont.)

—**Summer Story Hour**—Instead of a traditional Summer Story Hour, the WDC Conference Resource Library will be hosting Story Days with a self-guided, come-and-go approach with activities for ages 3-8 and their caregiver(s) on June 15, July 20 & August 3 from 9:00am-7:30pm. Read alouds by library staff/volunteers on the hour from 9am-7pm. The WDC Resource Library is located at 2517 N Main in North Newton.

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–Summer Reading Program - The WDC Resource Library summer reading program for all ages includes **a gift for you**. Stop by the library from May 30-August 10 to pick out a wrapped package and a response sheet or request one be mailed to you. The book/DVD/resource inside is yours to keep. Fill out a response sheet and return to the library for a ticket into the prize drawing (gift cards for teens/adults and a prize bag for kids). The WDC Resource Library is located at 2517 N Main in North Newton. For questions and mailing requests, email crlib@mennowdc.org

Bethel College:

Kauffman Museum is offering an intergenerational Uncle Carl's Camp called "Pottery Possibilities," July 10-14 from 9 a.m.-noon on the Bethel campus. Campers will start with hand-building before throwing on potter's wheels, and wrap up the week with glazing and an outdoor firing (weather permitting). Completed artwork may be picked up at a later date. No previous experience is required. **To sign up or to explore other Uncle Carl's Camp offerings, stop by Kauffman Museum to pick up a brochure or visit <https://kauffmanmuseum.org/uncle-carls-camp/>**

Mennonite Church USA:

–MennoCon23, Mennonite Church USA's leading faith formation event, in Kansas City (Missouri) Convention Center, July 3-6, 2023, will host a variety of engaging exhibitors throughout the week-long convention. The 26 exhibitors will include Anabaptist organizations, colleges and missions. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/mennocon23-exhibitors-opportunity

–Mennonite Church USA is hosting a collaborative Youth & Young Adult Climate Summit, July 7, 2023, at the Kansas City (Missouri) Convention Center. The event will bring together experts in climate change, spiritual activism and social justice to explore the ways that young people ages 14 to 25 can put their faith to work to address the spiritual and human crisis caused by climate change. Register here: mennoniteusa.org/news/climate-summit

USDA Commodities are back in Goessel! The next distribution time is June 21, 2023, from 5 pm to 6 pm at The Citizens State Bank drive-up window on a first come, first serve basis.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE
June 5, 2022

Offering = \$ 6753.00 Attendance = 150

Worship Link Views = 16

VBS Offering Project

Our Peace Mission includes our offering project to financially support a local organization that is bringing about positive changes in the community. We chose the New Hope Shelter this year. They are in the process of building on Meridian because they lost the lease on where they were and it became a necessity to build.

Brian Bisbee, the director of New Hope Shelter, came and shared with us on Monday about the positive changes they are making at New Hope Shelter. They are able to serve Homeless and hungry people every day because of your support. They do not receive any tax dollars, so it is your support that makes this work possible. Since they are having to build a new building the children are providing trash cans for the new location. We counted up how many trash cans we think this location might need and found out it was more than we imagined.

Thanks for your generosity. Please make checks payable to Tabor Mennonite Church with 'New Hope Shelter' on the memo line.



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