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PRAYER

James says, "Pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective." There are certainly times when we experience God's healing and power and presence when we pray. Yet there are also times when it feels as though our prayers go unanswered and healing does not come as we had hoped. Why are prayers answered sometimes and not others? Where is God when this happens?

WORSHIP

PRELUDE Mark Schmidt

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Cleo Koop

RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP

*GATHERING WORDS AND GATHERING PRAYER from Psalms 13 and 33

*GATHERING HYMNS "Precious Lord" No. 610

"Lord, Listen to Your Children" No. 682

-hymns accompanied by Russell Adrian

*PASSING THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

WORSHIP MUSIC Russell Adrian

SCRIPTURE READING Daniel 10:1-17 JoAnn Schmidt

The Word of God for the people of God. ~ Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S STORY Michael Unruh

SERMON Pastor Katherine Goerzen

*HYMN OF RESPONSE "Tears of Suffering" No. 694

CONGREGATIONALSHARING AND PRAYER Pastor Todd Schlosser

*SENDING HYMN "When Pain or Sorrow / Hold On" No. 612

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Sunday, June 30

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

9:30 am: Worship

YouTube Livestream (also available following the service)

https://youtube.com/live/nt9YoCvwzBY?feature=share

10:45 am: MCC Service Work - School Kits, tying comforters, visiting

This Week

Bulletin announcements due on Wednesday by 9:00 am this week.

Mon, July 1, 9:00 am - Faithful Fitness 9:30 am - Comforter Tying

Tues, July 2, 9:30 am - Staff Meeting

Wed, July 3, 12:00 noon - 1st Wednesday Lunch

7:00 pm - TMYF Service Trip Meeting

7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study

Thurs, July 4, Church offices closed

Next Sunday, July 7

9:30 am: Next Sunday we begin studying our 12 Scriptures. Our theme for this week is In the Beginning was the Word. Scriptures for reflection will be John 1:1-18. Pastor Todd will be preaching.

10:45 am: Finger Food Fellowship - Please bring finger foods to share.

Upcoming Dates

July 7 - Catechism

July 14 - MH&AM Heritage Talk at Tabor - 7:00 pm

July 17 - TMW volunteer at MCC - 1:30-3:30 pm

July 21 - Givens Family here for worship and faith formation; Potluck meal at noon

August 2-4 - WDC Annual Assembly, First Mennonite Church, Beatrice, NE

Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for :

★ Western District Conference: We are in the middle of the year 2024 and let's pray that the rest of the year, His presence will shine upon us. Let's pray that God will open doors for us and witness the moving of His holy Spirit, whispering to our inner being the desires of God, so that we may arise and move. "Revive your work in the midst of the ages" said Habakkuk. All this we ask as the WDC Church Planting Commission, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.

★ Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Kate Widmer, as she helps extend the community outreach ministries of La Prairie (The Prairie) Mennonite Church in France, through a café, a bookstore and building relationships in the Muslim neighborhood in which she lives. Pray for renewal of energy and spiritual insight, as she pours herself out in service.

Congregational Announcements

Share your surplus garden produce this summer! A table will be available in the hospitality to share or help yourself to garden produce. Please leave a small donation for the produce. Donations go to the Tabor Food Pantry.

The Tabor Food Pantry requests your donations! Items currently needed include laundry pods, dish soap, canned chicken and tuna, canned soups (other than tomato), cake and muffin mixes, pasta sauce, pancake mix, and peanut butter. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry. It is much appreciated!

School Kits: We are joining the MCC school kit challenge this summer-24,000 by the end of August. During Faith Formation on the last Sunday of each month this summer, we plan to work on service projects. Please donate school supplies—70 page spiral or perforated-pages notebooks, unsharpened pencils, rulers (flat with inches and cm), 12 colored pencils (in package), large eraser, black or blue ballpoint pens, small, all metal pencil sharpener (one or two holes). There is a large basket in the foyer to put supplies in.

Delegates for WDC Annual Assembly: If you are interested in being a delegate for the annual assembly in Beatrice, Nebraska, on August 2-4, please let one of the pastors know.

Summer Camp Scholarship Sign-up: Tabor Christian Education Committee is offering \$75 scholarships for all Tabor children attending summer camps at Camp Mennoscah, Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp, or other Mennonite camps. Please sign up on the bulletin board to receive your reimbursement.

-We would like to pray for all those going to camp this summer. Please let Diane know (if you aren't already on the scholarship sign-up) if you are going to camp this summer as a camper or as a counselor, cook, or nurse.

You are invited to hear Mennonite Mission Network volunteers Joseph and Rachel Givens speak at 7 p.m., Sunday, July 21 at Eden Mennonite Church, 401 18th Ave., Moundridge. Refreshments will follow. This event is for their supporting congregations and others interested in hearing more from the Givens about their ministry at the Maria Skobtsova House in Calais, France, as they provide support for migrants. [Please note: The Givens Family will be at Tabor to share the morning of Sunday, July 21 followed by a potluck.]

Community and Conference Announcements

The June edition of On the Level is now available from Mennonite Disaster Service. In our current issue: The MDS Cabinet Shop celebrates a new warehouse, the Peace Academic Center gets an unexpected boost and a bridge opens access to more than 25 families. Sign up to volunteer this summer and fall.

Click on this link to read more: https://conta.cc/3RuHArK

Summer Story Days are BACK! Stop by the WDC Resource library, 2517 N. Main in North Newton, KS on *Saturdays June 29 and July 27 from 10:00am-7:00pm* for Read Alouds; self-guided, come-and-go activities; and opportunities to learn and grow together! Activities geared for ages 3-8 and their families, but open to all ages. Take advantage of these Saturday hours to tour the library and check out resources.

Mini Blitz at MCC! Come tie, trim, or bind comforters at the MCC Material Resource Center in North Newton on Friday, July 12 from 9-5 and Saturday, July 13 from 8-2. Bring a snack to share and a sack lunch/supper. Drinks will be provided. Beginners are welcome!

WDC Annual Assembly: Don't want to drive to Beatrice, NE? Vans will leave from North Newton, KS on August 2 afternoon. When you register, please mark, "Reserve a seat in the van" for \$30 a seat. Join us at the WDC Annual Assembly, August 2-4, 2024 at First Mennonite Church, Beatrice, NE. Register HERE

-Van Drivers Needed: We are looking for two volunteer van drivers to drive two 15 passenger vans with folks who are interested in a ride from North Newton (Bethel College Football Stadium Parking lot) to First Mennonite Church in rural Beatrice, NE for our 2024 Assembly on Aug 2-4. The vans will be leaving at 1:30pm on Friday and returning after the morning worship service on Sunday. The drivers will also need to take their passengers to the Assembly from the hotels and back to start and end the days and will be asked to shuttle over some folks participating in the Intergenerational Faith Formation Track on Saturday as needed at Summit Street Church, which is in town. Assembly registration for these two individuals will be free.

Please let one of the pastors know or email the church office if you are interested.

Camp Mennoscah: Kitchen staff are needed for July 7-12.

The MCC Sale Quilter's Corner is looking for donations of quilts, quilt tops, fabric, books, magazines and vintage linens for our next sale. We hope to have an October sale if we receive enough donations. Donations can be dropped off at the MCC Center in North Newton <u>labeled</u> for Quilter's Corner or at Stitches Quilt Shop in McPherson. If you have questions, please contact Ann Yoder Smith at 919-604-3282.

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 sleepers (6-12 month sizes); hand tow-els (dark colored); bar soap; bath towels (dark colored, light to medium weight); wide toothed combs (6-8 inches long); laundry soap (such as Fels Naptha or Zote brands); and shampoo (20 oz min). 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 316.836.5045. A full list of MCC kit contents can be found at mcc.org/kits.

Save the Date! Western District Women in Mission's annual Women's & Girls' Retreat will be Saturday/Sunday September 7-8 at Camp Mennoscah. The keynote speaker will be Kristine Regehr on the topic of Peaceful Practices. More information and registration info will follow in July. Activities will be available for girls age 5th grade - high school and women of all ages! Come for a time of relaxation, peace, and friendship! Questions? Email westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com.

Host an International Exchange Student: Volunteers, with or without children at home, are needed to host Christian high school exchange students from around the world for this coming school year. Students speak English, are covered by medical insurance, and have spending money for their personal expenses. Families provide an extra meal at the dinner table and a safe, caring environment. We must have all students placed by August 31 or they will not be able to participate in our program. I am really hoping you do have room for us as we need help in getting the word out to great families like your church members. Thank you for your help. For more information contact SHARE!: 800-941-3738, ycoffman@sharesouthwest.org, or visit sharesouthwest.org/contact.

Menno Snapshots: Having grown up in Texas, Hannah Koester, an attendee at Pasadena Mennonite Church, felt distant from China — her birth country — and her cultural heritage. Her Mennonite faith has helped her feel safe to explore what it means to be Chinese. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/finding-cultural-heritage
-Jenna Liechty Martin, executive director at Camp Friedenswald in Cassopolis, Michigan identifies what makes camp such a special place for faith formation. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/camp-life-changing

AMBS: Spiritual Direction Seminars. Grow in confidence and competence as a spiritual director through Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary's supervised spiritual direction seminars. The seminars consist of Zoom meetings and additional work done online.

The first-level course, **Spiritual Direction: Foundations**, begins Sept. 3; apply by July 15 to save \$200.

One of the second-level courses, **Spiritual Direction: Wisdom**, begins Oct. 3; apply by Sept. 6 to save \$200. ambs.edu/seminars

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Designed to help you strengthen the biblical and theological foundation for your
work, the program is ideal for church leaders, bivocational pastors and other
professionals. ambs.edu/certificate

SERMON NOTES

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE June 23, 2024

Offering = \$ 3,285.00 Attendance = 104

Worship Link Views = 35

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