

Tabor Mennonite Church

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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CELEBRATION SUNDAY



Welcome to our Seekers in Sneakers VBS celebration service. During the week we used our investigative skills to discover Jesus. This journey of discovery had many twists and turns, so children learned to ask questions, work with others, shine our light in the world, follow Jesus' example of serving others and trust Jesus when things go wrong.

WORSHIP

PRELUDE		VBS Songs
PROCESSIONAL		<i>"Spread God's Love Around"</i>
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Eunice Nickel
PRAYER		Eunice Nickel
*CONGREGATIONAL SONG	<i>"Jesus Is a Friend"</i>	Screens
WORSHIP MUSIC	<i>"Seekers in Sneakers"</i> <i>"I've Got the Joy"</i>	VBS Children
BIBLE VERSE		John 13:13, 15
VBS DRAMA	<i>"Jesus the Learner: Part 1"</i>	<i>based on Luke 2:41-52</i>
VBS SHARING		
Day 1 : Pre-K — Kindergarten		<i>"Building Up the Temple"</i>
Day 2: 5th Grade		<i>"Fishing for People"</i>
Day 3: 2nd & 3rd Grades		<i>"Jesus Our Teacher"</i>
Day 4: 1st Grade		<i>"Washing Feet"</i>
4th Grade:		Geocaching
6th Grade		Service Project Sharing
VBS DRAMA	<i>"Jesus the Helper: Part 2"</i>	<i>based on John 21:1-14</i>
OFFERING PROJECT	Mennonite Mission Network	Pam Abrahams
PRAYER		
OFFERING OUR GIFTS	<i>"Every Times Just Right"</i>	VBS Children
<i>Red bags: Tabor Church Budget; Gift Bags - VBS Project: Mennonite Mission Network</i> <i>Make checks payable to Tabor Mennonite Church with MMN on the memo line.</i>		
VBS SLIDE SHOW PRESENTATION		

CAMP 412 SHARING

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING & PRAYER Pastor Todd Schlosser

*CONGREGATIONAL SONG *"Guide My Feet"* No. 816

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL

**Please stand if you are able*

"You Shall Go Out With Joy"

Sunday, June 9

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

A special thank you to VBS Coordinators Eunice Nickel, Pam Abrahams, and Kara Swartzendruber 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!

The flowers this morning are in celebration of Rod & Ilona Abrahams' 50th wedding anniversary on May 31. Praise God for the gift of love.



10:00 am: Worship

YouTube Livestream (also available following the service).

<https://youtube.com/live/lo4VPLfFdO0?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.

4:00-8:00 pm - MDS Cabinet Shop Dedication-604 E. Main Street, Goessel with tours of the cabinet shop and warehouse
The **MDS Storm Encounter** will also be on hand.

5:30 pm - September River Fundraiser Concert (Jude and Doug Krehbiel and daughter Stefanie (Krehbiel) Giffin)

5:30 pm - Catechism

This Week

Bulletin announcements are due on Thursday mornings.

Mon, June 10 - 9:00 am - Faithful Fitness

9:30 am - Comforter Tying

Tues, June 11 - 9:30 am - Staff Meeting

Wed, June 12 - 7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study

Thur, June 13 - 9:30 am - Coffee with the Pastors - Hesston Bakery & Cafe

Next Sunday, June 16

9:30 am: Next Sunday the theme will be Grace. Scripture for reflection will be Ephesians 2:8-9 and Pastor Todd will be preaching.

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

Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ The farmers and all involved with the anticipation and the starting of harvest. Pray for safety and good conditions.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for God's guidance and wisdom for WDC pastors and congregations who are concluding ministry relationships or beginning a new season of ministry together.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Today, Mennonite Mission Network's board members are worshiping in congregations in the Newton, Kansas, area, after a weekend of meetings. Pray for the board members, as they work to implement what they have discerned as the future directions for the agency.

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

Tabor Mennonite Women: It's a mystery! The quilt for the 2025 MCC Relief Sale is in the works. If you signed up to make a block, you may find your kit in your church mailbox. Instructions are included for your 12 1/2" block. Finished blocks are due July 7. We look forward to seeing the 24 different blocks and how the finished quilt will look!

Summer Camp Scholarship Sign-up: Tabor Christian Education Committee is offering \$75 scholarships for all Tabor children attending Mennonite summer 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 are going to camp this summer as a camper or as a counselor, cook, or nurse.

Conference and Community Announcements

Today, **June 9, at 7:00 pm** at the **Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church**, Goessel, Ks, Arlin Buller will present "**Roots & Fruits: A Timeline of History.**" Buller will place the story of the Przechowko Mennonites, later the Alexanderwohl, Hoffnungsau and Lone Tree congregations, in historical context through the use of a timeline he created. All are welcome!

Everence® June Workshop: Social Security and retirement income Tuesday, June 18, starting at 6:30 p.m. at the Everence office: 3179 N. Main St. Suite 1B, North Newton, KS. To register contact Everence at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.

Alexanderwohl Senior Coffee: Brian Stucky will present "Goessel Area Rural Graves" for Sr. Coffee on Friday, June 21, at 10:00 a.m. in the Alexanderwohl Fellowship Hall.

Save the Date! Western District Women in Mission's annual Women's & Girls' Retreat will be Saturday/Sunday September 7-8 at Camp Mennoscah. More information and registration info will follow in July. Questions? Email westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com.

Camp Mennoscah:

-Kitchen staff are needed for June 9-14, July 7-12, and July 14-19. Nurses are needed for July 17-19 (the end of the Junior 2 week) and at least part of the Senior High Camp, July 21-26. Up to a full camper discount can be received by kitchen staff or nurses. Nurses can choose to receive a stipend instead.

-Random items needed for summer youth camps! (toilet paper, white paper towels, volleyballs, soccer balls, frisbees, a smallish fish seine, fish hooks, inner tubes for floating, manual can openers, prayers for safety and wisdom, and Sharpies of all colors plus black for the kitchen.

Send directly to Camp Mennoscah or contact office@campmennoscah.org. **-Now is a great time to register for Summer Youth Camps!** [Scroll through this information for summer youth camp information and scriptures. Register online!](#)

-Volunteers to help on the Retreat Center can call or email camp to sign up for dates.

Bethel College: Enrollment is open for Uncle Carl's Camp at Kauffman Museum at Bethel College. Half-day camps are offered in art, history and nature for kids ages 4-18. Go to www.kauffmanmuseum.org/uncle-carls-camp/ for more information and to register online.

Hesston College:

-June 20 - Dyck Arboretum of the Plains Summer Music Nights
The Sassanachs are a high energy band with a heavy Irish influence. When you come to a show, you will be taken on a journey around the world with polka, country, mariachi and Ukrainian tunes mixed in. *This event is free to the public – donations are welcome.* Water and lemonade will be provided. Walk the arboretum grounds. Music will begin at 7 pm on the covered patio on the west side of the Prairie Pavilion and the public is invited to gather on the lawn areas nearby.

-June 20: June 16 to 22 - Summer Theatre Camp - (ages 11 to 18)
Public performance of the musical "Mean Girls" at 2 p.m., Saturday, June 22, in the Hesston Mennonite Church sanctuary on the Hesston College campus. Participants can visit hesston.edu/theatrecamp to register online. Registration is due June 10.

-Bible classes offered on Hesston College's campus - To learn more, visit hesston.edu/bible. If you are interested in enrolling in a course, contact Michele Hershberger at michele.hershberger@hesston.edu

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. For more information contact SHARE!: 800-941-3738, ycoffman@sharesouthwest.org, or visit sharesouthwest.org/contact.

Mennonite Church USA: Mennonite Church USA is launching two new podcasts, aimed at encouraging and equipping today's pastors and congregational leaders. Learn more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/podcasts
-Mennonite Church USA's Climate Justice Ministry is receiving applications for the Pam De Young Net Zero Energy Fund grant (for MC USA congregations seeking to install solar panels, car charging stations or other forms of renewable energy), from now through June 15, 2024. Learn more here: mennoniteusa.org/green-energy-grants View the PowerPoint slide here: mennoniteusa.org/slide/deyoung View the PDF here: mennoniteusa.org/pdf/deyoung

AMBS: Anabaptist Witness 11.1, "Mission and Peace in Ethiopia." - guest edited by Henok T. Mekonin, MA, and James R. Krabill, PhD, Interim Managing Editor. It focuses on mission and peace efforts in the broader context of the Ethiopian nation and on Meserete Kristos Church (MKC) history and perspectives. Proceeds from the print edition — available for purchase on Amazon — will support MKC programs. The free online version will be available in November 2024. Learn more and buy a print copy: anabaptistwitness.org

VBS Offering Project

Mennonite Mission Network (MMN) was our offering project for the week. MMN places volunteers in a variety of locations to serve local communities. Different programs include Mennonite Voluntary Service, Service Adventure, SOOP, and International Ministries. We learned about some Tabor VBS alumni who have participated in MMN. We also learned about our mission partners. Thank you for your generous donations this week!

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

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE**June 2, 2024**

Offering = \$5,871.00 Attendance = 119

Worship Link Views = 34

Unified Budget Giving Update - Fiscal Year 2024

Total Budget	331,567.00
Actual Giving Through 5/31	126,738.18
Total Left to Meet Budget	204,828.82
Current Above/(Shortfall)	(39,045.32)
Sundays Remaining	26
Amount Needed per Sunday	7,878.03

Upcoming:

June 27 - Coffee Time at Tabor

July 7 - Catechism

July 13 - 20 - TMYF Service trip with MDS to Plainfield, VT

July 21 - Givens' Family at Tabor

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



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