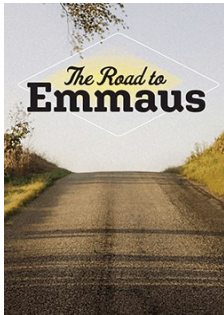


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JESUS MEETS HIS DISCIPLES ON THE EMMAUS ROAD

Today we join Jesus and a couple of his disciples on the road to Emmaus following Jesus' resurrection. Through this encounter, and in the midst of our Easter joy, we are invited to hear the challenge to believe and to be a witness to what we have experienced.

WORSHIP

PRELUDE Diane Unruh
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Venita Schroeder
RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP
CALL TO WORSHIP from Acts 2
*GATHERING HYMN "Come, Christians Join to Sing" No. 28
*GATHERING PRAYER
*HYMN OF PRAISE "Sing with All the Saints in Glory" SS No. 92
*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.
OFFERING OUR GIFTS
CHILDREN'S STORY Pam Abrahams
WORSHIP MUSIC Men's Quartet
SCRIPTURE READING *Luke 24:13-48* Eunice Nickel
The Word of God for the people of God. ~ Thanks be to God!
SERMON Pastor Todd Schlosser
*HYMN OF RESPONSE "Thine Is the Glory" No. 355
CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER Pastor Katherine Goerzen
*SENDING HYMN "Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain" No. 348
*BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE **Please stand if you are able*

Sunday, May 4

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

9:30 am: Worship

YouTube Livestream (also available following the service)

<https://youtube.com/live/RHQwps3MD4A?feature=share>

10:45 am: Faith Formation

This Week

Bulletin announcements due by 9:00 am on Thursday.

Mon, May 5,	8:30 am - Faithful Fitness 9:30 am - Comforter Tying 7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study
Tues, May 6,	9:00 am - Staff meeting 6:30 pm - Book Study/Church Council
Wed, May 7,	6:00 pm - Work Night

Next Sunday, May 11

9:30 am: Next Sunday the focus will be Jesus and Thomas. The scripture for reflection will be John 20:18-31. Pastor Katherine will be preaching.

10:45 am: Faith Formation

Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for WDC representatives (Eric Buller, Moderator; Caleb Gingerich, Executive Board member; and Heidi Regier Kreider, Conference Minister) joining others from across the wider church to attend Mennonite Church USA Constituency Leaders Council meetings next weekend in Wichita, KS.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for Laura and Nick Sharp, and their children, Jesse (8) and Brielle (5), as they prepare to begin a year-long assignment in La Mesa, Colombia, where they will serve alongside the Colombia Mennonite Church and its school, Colegio Americano Menno (American Menno School).

Congregational Announcements

Today – The Commission on Education wishes to express our sincere gratitude to everyone who is involved in Christian Education at Tabor. We value your commitment of time, energy, and creative ways that you teach and have conversation to grow the Faith journeys of young and old at Tabor.

As our annual token of appreciation, **Please pick up a Flower and package of Monster Cookies in the Hospitality Hall.** If today does not suit you, the extra cookies will be placed in the kitchen fridge and you may help yourself! Again, this is a big Thank You if you are involved in any way in Christian Education – Faith Formation teacher, helper; Wednesday evening ministry teacher, helper, program coordinator, music leader, cook, kitchen help; or in our youth mentoring program.

The following **new books** have been added to **our church library**:

- *Many Hands; Being Good Neighbors in Times Of Disaster*, Edited by Julie Kauffman and Susan Kim - the story of Mennonite Disaster Service
- *Mended* by Hillary Daecher -- In Celebrations of the 75th anniversary of Mennonite Disaster Service -- written for children
- *Trouble I've Seen* by Drew Hart -- Changing the way the church views racism

Thank You

THANK YOU to the Tabor women (and a couple men!) for hosting our annual salad supper and floral workshop on April 28. Your hospitality hall is such a wonderful space!

~Wendy Funk Schrag on behalf of Western District Women in Mission

Community and Conference Announcements

Volunteers Needed: Bethesda Home and the Goessel Ministerial Alliance are looking for volunteers **to help deliver Friendship Meals to the Goessel Community.** This is a great opportunity to check in and provide a warm smile to those who have difficulty getting out. You can help as little as once a month up to weekly! This opportunity takes less than an hour of your time and in doing so, you can make someone's day. Please contact Ruth at Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church (367.8192) to sign up today. Thank you for helping us keep this ministry alive.

You are invited to attend the MCC Sale Annual Meeting scheduled for **Thursday, May 22, 6:00, at Hesston Mennonite Church.** The cost for the meal is \$20/person and you will pay at the door. Please RSVP to Barb BJ Reeves by May 19, 620-543-6863 or bj.reeves@live.com. The meeting to celebrate our successful Sale and present MCC with a check will be held after dinner at approximately 7:00 pm. A filled sandwich bag of California almonds will be available for \$20.

Want to visit someone in prison or be a pen pal? Volunteers with **M-2 (Match-2)** visit one evening a month with an inmate who gets few outside visits. Apply to be an M-2 volunteer at www.ovmks.org/m2 and plan to attend the next volunteer training on May 19, 12:30-4pm at Hutchinson Correctional Facility (in the Old Schoolhouse, just outside the walls). **Pen pals** correspond monthly with an incarcerated individual, often sending letters through our office. Contact Kenzie Brister to learn more: prison@ovmks.org or 316-281-4721.

Camp Mennoscah: Eat at The Hub on Friday, May 2! 10% of all sales on May 2 will be donated to Camp Mennoscah. Musical groups will play from approx. 6pm-8:30pm and include K81, Queen Jack Jericho, Brett and Caleb Klingenberg, and The Schrag Siblings. A Camp Mennoscah tee shirt quilt will also be sold through a silent auction. A photo of the quilt can be seen at www.campmennoscah.org and is attached. Contact olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org for a bidding from a distance option. (The Hub, 100 S Christian, Moundridge, KS, <https://www.thehubbrickoven.com>)

-Calling all campers! We're taking "Another Way" and finding transformation in Jesus' way of living. Summer camps are open for those going into grades 3-12. Scholarships are available and parents volunteering as kitchen helpers can receive a discount up to full camp fees for a camper. **Register here!** (<https://campmennoscah.campbrainregistration.com/>) Come build your house on the rock and play in the sand!

-Weekly music leaders are needed! If you know of someone who you think might be great as a weekly music leader, please tap them on the shoulder. Olivia would love to talk to them. Contact us at olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org or 316-293-7313 (call or text). Summer staffers must be 18 or older.

-Camp Mennoscah has several trees that have lived long lives and need to be cut down to avoid damage. Some can be taken down without a lift. Camp Mennoscah has limited equipment to properly handle the removal of these trees. Please contact Olivia at 620-297-3290 or olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org, if you would be able to help.

-Camp Mennoscah is busy preparing for summer youth camps and guests. It may take additional time to respond to your email or phone call. We will answer as soon as possible. If a quicker response is needed, please call 316-293-7313.

Bethel College: Sun., May 4 – Bethel College Masterworks Concert, 4 p.m.: *Three Nocturnes* by Dan Forrest; *Exsultate, Jubilate* by Mozart; *Considering Matthew Shepard: A Choral Suite* by Craig Hella Johnson, with mass choir, orchestra and soloists; *Memorial Hall*

-Wed., May 7 – Jazz on the Green at Bethel College, 7 p.m. (rain venue: Krehbiel Auditorium)

-Thurs., May 8 – Bethel College Voice Studio recital, Dr. Holly Swartzendruber, instructor, 7 p.m., Administration Building chapel

-Sun., May 11 – Dr. Valerie Mendoza, Washburn University, "Stories of Mexican Migration to Kansas," 3 p.m., Kauffman Museum auditorium

-Sun., May 11 – Woven and Open Road joint concert, 4 p.m., Bethel College Mennonite Church

-Mon., May 12 – Dr. Henry Waters' Hymnology class invites the public to a Hymn Festival, 7 p.m., Bethel College Mennonite Church. Sing and learn more about a selection of hymns from *Voices Together*.

-Now in the Regier Art Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center – Senior Art Exhibit, featuring the work of Bethel College students Gracie Higgins, April Powls and Lizzie Schmucker, through May 18. Gallery hours are Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 2-4 p.m.

-**Bethel College advancement and development staff invite you** for coffee and conversation (and some light breakfast snacks): **Friday, May 9, 7:30-9 a.m.**, Thresher Stadium Viewing Suite, on campus at N. Main & 29th Streets; or **Friday, May 23, 7:30-9 a.m.**, The Breadbasket, 219 N. Main St., Newton (alumni-owned). Contact: George Leary, gleary@bethelks.edu, 316-284-5226
- **Sunday, June 1** – U.S. premiere of the 1874 immigration documentary *Where the Cottonwoods Grow*, Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center

Hesston College: Bel Canto Singers concert - "Singing Through Generations"
Hesston College's Bel Canto Singers will perform in concert on **Friday, May 16, at 7 p.m. at Hesston Mennonite Church**. The concert is part of commencement week-end activities at the college and is free and open to the public. Bel Canto will begin a 12-day spring tour in the Pacific Northwest following graduation weekend.

-**Mark your calendars for Homecoming 2025** — a weekend full of connection, celebration and Lark spirit — coming up **September 26 to 28** at Hesston College!

We're planning a memorable weekend that includes:

1. **Class reunions*** for academy '45, '55, '65 and college '45, '55, '65, '75, '85, '95, '05 and '15
2. The **presidential inauguration** of Mark Landes, HC's 10th president, with a special performance by Bel Canto Singers
3. The third annual **Athletic Hall of Fame** ceremony
4. Presentations by alumni, faculty, staff and students
5. Lark athletics, disc golf and long drive tournaments
6. A family festival and a photography exhibit by **Audrey Befort '25, '27**

Whether you're reconnecting with classmates, celebrating campus milestones or bringing your family for a fun weekend, there's something for everyone.

Visit hesston.edu/homecoming for more details and registration info.

We can't wait to welcome you back to campus!

*Reunions for graduation years ending in 0 will be held virtually in the spring.

Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp: Memorial Day Work and Play May 23-26, 2025: Spend your holiday weekend at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp for the annual Work and Play Retreat! The weekend focuses on getting ready for the coming summer camp season by helping with foodservice, cleaning and fixing things, while also offering a free day on Sunday to enjoy the holiday weekend. A couple of exciting projects will include moving new furniture to Rocky Ridge and Emmental and assembling bunk beds for Park Ridge. The retreat will begin at 7:00pm on Friday and conclude after breakfast on Monday. Visit rmmc.org to learn more and to register!

-**Summer Resident Camps @RMIMC:** Resident Camps offer a slice of summer where campers experience the outdoors in a fun and safe community. Campers experience a new adventure while growing in their faith and exploring the Rocky Mountains. Our theme for Summer 2025 is Rocky Road. We don't always know which road to take and it can often be a rocky one. Join in as we explore what the Bible tells us about these rocky roads - rocks that bring life and refuge (Ex. 17:6, Mat. 16:18), rocks that cry out (Luke 19:40), even rocks we think are too great to move (Mark 16:3-4). Register by May 31 to take advantage of the better rate!

MCC: Register today for the MCC Immigration Learning Tour in South Texas, October 4-9. Find out more at mcc.org/learning-tour-texas.

-**Volunteer with MCC Appalachia Build:** Consider bringing your group for a life-changing week of serving and learning with MCC Appalachia Build (formerly SWAP), a home repair ministry in eastern Kentucky and West Virginia. Volunteers help families make their homes safe, warm and dry, while building relationships and learning about Appalachia. Learn more and register your group at mcc.org/appalachia-build.

Mennonite Mission Network: Just Peace Pilgrimages

-South Africa — **September 16-28** **Register by June 15**

-Underground Railroad — **July 13-19** **Register by June 15**

For more information on the Just Peace Pilgrimages, to sign up, or to inquire about scheduling a trip for you and your group, visit MennoniteMission.net/JustPeace or contact Stephanie Weaver at StephanieW@MennoniteMission.net.

-**Service Opportunities:** There are still placements available for Service Adventure for the 2025-26 service term. **Service Adventure** is a 10-month long program for ages 17-20 that invites its participants to live in community with their peers and unit leaders as they spend a year investing in faith formation and developing leadership skills.

Visit MennoniteMission.net/MVS for more information and to register.

-**Job Opportunities:** **Mennonite Mission Network is seeking a Regional Director for Latin America** This full-time position can work from the Elkhart, Indiana, or Newton, Kansas, offices, remotely from anywhere in the country, or a hybrid of the two. They will support church planting efforts within Mennonite Church USA by developing leaders, providing training and coaching, managing projects, and fostering networks for new and missional congregations. For more information and to apply, visit MennoniteMission.net/Employment.

Mennonite Mission Network is seeking a Training and Resources Facilitator

This is a full-time position can work from the Elkhart, Indiana, or Newton, Kansas, offices, remotely from anywhere in the country, or a hybrid of the two. They will provide leadership for Mennonite Mission Network's ministries in the region, oversee partnerships, mission strategies, and international service workers. For more information and to apply, visit MennoniteMission.net/Employment.

Mennonite Church USA: The MC USA Delegate Assembly is Friday, July 11, at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro, North Carolina. Delegate resources, including the agenda, bylaws, previous minutes and proposed resolutions will be posted on MC USA's Delegate Assembly website as they are available. See the web page here: mennoniteusa.org/2025-delegate-assembly-resources/ Register for Delegate Assembly here: mennoniteusa.org/registration/
-Visit the MC USA Follow Jesus '25 Congregation Kit for ways to help share convention details with your church! The kit includes easily shareable logos, social media posts and other materials to make keeping your congregation up to date a breeze. Learn more here: convention.mennoniteusa.org/follow-jesus-25-press-kit/

- The Mennonite Education Agency board of directors and the MC USA Executive Board recently approved an integration plan to better address the needs of the denomination by bringing the ministry of MEA into the governance and operational structure of MC USA. Read more here: mennoniteusa.org/news/mea-integration/

-MC USA's Climate Justice Ministry is accepting applications for the Pam De Young Net Zero Energy Fund grant, due June 15, 2025. The Pam De Young Net Zero Energy Fund provides funds to assist MC USA congregations interested in forms of renewable energy. Learn more

here: mennoniteusa.org/news/25-energy-grants

AMBS: Rooted and Grounded Conference on Land and Christian Discipleship: Sept. 18–20 at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, Indiana. Theme: “Kinship with All Creation: Pursuing Relationship, Justice and Community.” Keynote speakers: T. Wilson Dickinson, PhD, of Lexington Theological Seminary; Wendsler Nosie, Sr., PhD, of the Apache Stronghold and the American University of Sovereign Nations; Douglas Day Kaufman, ThM, of the Anabaptist Climate Collaborative. Selected portions of the conference will be livestreamed. Paper and workshop proposals are due June 1. ambs.edu/rootedandgrounded

-Take a summer course at Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary! Hybrid courses (combining online work and one week on campus): Ethics and Care: Living and Dying with Purpose; Preaching. **Campus course:** Religion, Violence and Peacebuilding (open to auditors). Nonadmitted students get 50% off their first three credit hours! Courses run in May, June and July. Register by May 5. ambs.edu/upcoming-courses

Upcoming Dates

May 18 - Baptism at Camp Mennoscah
May 21 - TMW Salad Supper
May 23-24 - High School Lock In
May 25-26 - Jr. High Lock In
June 2-6 - VBS

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

April 27, 2025

Offering =	\$ 1,936.00	Attendance =	118
Adult FF =	\$ 19.00	Attendance =	26
Jr. FF =	\$ 19.84	Attendance =	43

Worship Link Views = 53



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