

Tabor Mennonite Church

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EASTER SUNDAY:

DEATH AND RESURRECTION

Today we celebrate the resurrection of Christ through Scripture and Song. Death could not defeat him! Jesus lives! Alleluia! Amen!

WORSHIP

- PRELUDE Isaac Swartzendruber
- WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Todd Schlosser
- RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP
- MUSICAL CALL TO WORSHIP “*The Lord Is Risen*” arr. Hopson Easter Choir
- *CALL TO WORSHIP¹
- *GATHERING PRAYER
- *GATHERING HYMNS “*Low in the Grave He Lay*” No. 333
“*Christ Is Risen, Shout Hosanna*” No. 354
- *PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST
The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.
- OFFERING OUR GIFTS
- CHILDREN’S STORY Carol Duerksen
- *HYMN “*In Christ Alone*” No. 332
- SCRIPTURE READING *John 20:1 – 10* Pastor Katherine Goerzen
- WORSHIP MUSIC “*Angels Rolled De Stone Away*” arr. Hairston Easter Choir
- SCRIPTURE READING *John 20:10 – 18* Pastor Todd Schlosser
- WORSHIP MUSIC “*Glorious, Risen Christ*” by Burke/Larson Easter Choir
- SCRIPTURE READING *John 2:19 – 31* Sara Hiebert
- WORSHIP MUSIC “*Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!*” by Hayes Easter Choir
- LENTEN DRAMA “*Racing to See Jesus*” Janna Duerksen and Phil Unruh
- *POEM OF CONFESSION
- *HYMN “*In the Bulb There Is a Flower*” No. 670

¹ The call to worship and other elements of this service are taken from the Worship Resources for Lent-Easter 2026, “Dwelling in Dissonance” from MennoMedia’s Leader magazine.

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER Pastor Katherine Goerzen

*SENDING HYMN “*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*” No. 346

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE **Please stand if you are able*

Sunday, April 5

Welcome to worship at Tabor Mennonite Church! Come together to worship God and experience God’s love. This morning you were greeted by Sheryl Molzen and Jo-Ann Schmidt. A special welcome is extended to all visitors.

9:00 am: Easter Potluck Breakfast

10:00 am: Worship

YouTube Livestream (also available following the service)

<https://youtube.com/live/4S00RDjMrkk?feature=share>

There will not be Faith Formation today.

This Week

- Mon, Apr 6,** 8:30 am - Faithful Fitness
9:30 am - Comforter Tying/Quilting
7:00 pm - Worship Council Meeting
7:00 pm - Men’s Bible Study
- Tues, Apr 7,** 9:00 am - Staff Meeting
7:00 pm - Church Council
- Wed, Apr 8,** 7:00-8:00 pm - TMYF
- Thurs, Apr 9,** 9:30 am - Coffee with the Pastors at Norm’s
- Fri-Sat, Apr 10-11,** Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

Next Sunday, April 12

Next Sunday — the Sunday after Easter and the Relief Sale -- we celebrate the ways that God’s love and good news continue to be revealed in our world. All are invited to share briefly about a way that you experienced or saw God’s presence through the Relief Sale. Scripture for reflection will be John 21:14-17.

Prayer Requests

Remember to Pray for:

- ★ Western District Conference: Easter Sunday – Give thanks for Jesus' resurrection power embodied in WDC congregations through acts of compassion and love, solidarity with those who suffer, and resistance to evil and oppression.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Today, we celebrate Easter and the hope brought by the risen Christ amid a world that seems more chaotic and destructive every day. Pray that God's people would remember to be "Easter people" every day, displaying the love of Jesus through the everyday acts of seeking justice, doing service and hoping for a better future.

Upcoming Dates

April 12: Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus-4:30 pm at Bethel College Memorial Hall
 April 18: Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus-4:30 pm at Tabor College Richert Auditorium
 April 20: Mennonite Women in Mission Salad Supper-6 pm
 April 25: TMYF Lock-In
 April 26: MHAM historic presentation of Goessel Volunteer Fire Dept. at Tabor Mennonite (see poster on bulletin board)
 May 20: VBS Staff Orientation
 May 26: TMW Salad Supper
 June 1-5: VBS Week at Tabor

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

March 29, 2026

Offering = \$ 4,101.00	Attendance = 145
Adult FF = \$ 51.00	Attendance = 36
Jr. FF = \$ 14.87	Attendance = 44

Worship Link Views = 41

Congregational Announcements

Vacation Bible School: Tabor and Alexanderwohl churches will be hosting VBS at Tabor the week of June 1-5 from 8:30-11:45am. The theme, #KidsConnect, includes activities that encourage children to connect with Jesus, family, and friends of all ages. We are looking for volunteers from both congregations to make this a wonderful experience! Please consider signing up to help using the link emailed out or scan the QR code. Any questions can be directed to Eunice Nickel, Renae Peters, or Pam Abrahams.



Reminder for women & girls! Come join us for our annual **Mennonite Women in Mission's potluck salad supper on Monday, April 20, 6 pm at the Tabor Mennonite Church.** Kate Mast will speak on "Our Time, Our Stories, Our Stuff." Kate will give ideas and advice about how we manage our belongings and the stories our stuff tells about our lives. Please bring a potluck salad. If you wish, also bring one small item that is a treasure of yours to share with your table group. RSVP is not required. More information is on our website at mennonitewomeninmission.org or on our Facebook page.

Help Needed: Contact Denise if you can help receive salads, help with drinks or be a hostess at the front door.

Thank You

Wednesday evening meals are over for this season. Thank you to Brandon and Kristi Unruh and Steve and Bonnie Janzen for donating beef and Doris Unruh for Graze 'N Layz Eggs. This kept the cost for meals remain the same, even as groceries continued to go up in price. THANK YOU!

~Denise, Kris S. and Barb A.

Thanks so much for the generosity of Tabor at our pizza fundraiser meal on March 25! Contributions of more than \$850 were received on behalf of the Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum and will be used as vital operating funds for this year. We invite you to visit in 2026! With your shared vision, we are able to preserve and tell the stories of the Mennonite immigrants who settled in this area to future generations.

~In gratitude, MH&AM board and staff

MCC Sale Announcements

The MCC Sale is this coming weekend and many volunteers are still needed! All hands on deck! The KS Mennonite Relief Sale is powered by over 1,000 volunteers each year and there are many openings available, big and small. Check out all openings at <https://kansas.mccsale.org/volunteer/> Or contact your Church MCC Liaison. There is something for everyone!

* Here are two **crucial needs** in the Domestic Arts Building:

New Year Cookies Frying

- Friday: 2:00–4:00 PM (*20 more volunteers needed*)
- Saturday: 7:00–8:30 AM (*20 needed*); 8:30–10:00 AM (*27 needed*)

Selling Cheese Booth

- Friday: 3:30–5:30; 5:30–7:30 (*3-4 volunteers needed each shift — none signed up*)
- Saturday: 8:00–10:00; 10:00 AM–12:00; 12:00–2:00 PM (*3-4 needed for each shift, 3 signed up*)

Do you have 2 hours to give? Every volunteer truly makes a difference! Sign up at link above.

*Always a sale favorite, the **Quilt Auction** features over 200 beautiful handmade quilts, wall quilts, comforters and other quilt-related items! Viewing of displayed quilts begins at 4 pm on Friday, when reserved seats for the Saturday auction also go on sale. While you're in Meadowlark for the auction, be sure to check out the Quilters Corner for Quilt tops, blocks, fabric, patterns and more.

***General and Silent Auction** items can be viewed on KMRS website at <https://kansas.mccsale.org/auctions/sunflower-auctions/> Remember to donate new items for the Children's Auction in Pride of Kansas. Items such as Hot Wheels, Barbies, baby dolls and accessories, board games, LEGO sets, art kits, and sports equipment can be dropped off Friday or before 9:30 on Saturday.

***Jerry Toews has recorded another CD of Old Time Gospel Tunes as well as Old Time Favorite Christmas Tunes** you yearn to hear again.

ALL PROCEEDS go to KMRS (KS Mennonite Relief Sale). They will be available at Info Booth at MCC Sale or in Church Office. \$20 donation—make check out to KMRS or cash.



KS MCC SALE DATES: APRIL 10 & 11

Website: kansas.mccsale.org

CHILDREN'S COIN OFFERING \$108.15. Today will be the LAST one. Another Sunday OVER \$100!! Awesome Tabor!!! Thumbs Up!!

URGENT CALL JUST CAME IN FOR VOLUNTEERS. Please go to website and sign up TODAY and put those in charge at ease.

HELP NEEDED taking pictures of Tabor folks at the Sale for our Tabor Slide Show next Sunday. Upload photos to: Tabor Church Photos Account on the Tabor Website under Media or link to Tabor Church Shared Photos.

GO TO THE SALE AND HAVE FUN. EAT OUT ON FRI. AND SAT. Look around and enjoy all the booths and displays and opportunities to buy Plants and Quilts to most anything that you can imagine including Verenike and all that GOOD artery clogging tasty food. Handicap parking available at all buildings. Reconnect with old friends, Volunteer a 2 hr shift anywhere. Celebrate God's Love and our Mission to HELP OTHERS in the name of Christ!

Zweiback and Baked Goods will be picked up in Fellowship Hall Friday at 9am and Pies picked up at 8am on Saturday. We could use MORE pies and zweibach.

We have LOTS of donations to haul to the Fairgrounds. Your Contact Folks will be hauling on Thursday and Friday. IF you can offer to help take a car load, let Jerry know.

See you there!

On Friday April 24th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m there will be a **relief kit packing event** happening on behalf of Bethel College Service club and MCC held at the MCC building. We will have a meal of hotdogs and hamburgers along with some sides and desserts that will be paid for by donation (suggested amount \$15). All donations will go back to MCC to make more relief kits! Bethel College's Woven and Open Road will also be giving a small concert during the time. Following the meal we will be packing relief kits with a goal of 500 kits! Come join us for an evening of singing and service!

The Central Kansas Master Chorale will present Haydn's Lord Nelson Mass (Mass for Troubled Times) with orchestra. Please join us for this special concert directed by Dr. Joel Garber. This free event will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 19 at Hesston Mennonite Church, 309 S Main St, Hesston, KS. Admission is free, donations accepted. For more information, visit the chorale website at www.centralkansasmasterchorale.org.

Blood Drive: "Give Hope This Spring!" when you donate blood - April 6 between 12:00-6:00 pm at Goessel Church. Sign up at red-crossblood.org. For more information contact Nancy Stucky 620-747-0081.



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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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The church office is normally open Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday a.m. with pastors' days off on Friday. These times are flexible. To visit with church staff, it is recommended to call ahead to ensure the person you wish to speak to is available.

Deacons:
Nancy Funk Larry Goerzen Nathan Graber Denise Nickel Kristi Unruh