

Tabor Mennonite Church

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READING THE BIBLE:

THE NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLES

Today as we continue our Reading the Bible summer series we jump to the New Testament Epistles. These letters contain a sense of urgency as they communicate the overarching call for unity and love. A central theme important for us to hear and embrace coming from these conversations written by those who had such close proximity to Jesus in time, circumstance and in some cases relationship.

WORSHIP

PRELUDE		Diane Unruh
WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS		Eunice Nickel
MUSICAL CALL TO WORSHIP		
RINGING THE PRAYER BOWL AND LIGHTING THE PEACE LAMP		
*CALL TO WORSHIP	<i>from Romans 12:1-2</i>	No. 105
*UNISON GATHERING PRAYER		No. 910
*GATHERING HYMNS	<i>"We Are One in the Spirit"</i>	No. 387
	<i>"One is the Body"</i>	No. 386
*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST		
	<i>The Peace of Christ be with you ~ and also with you.</i>	
OFFERING OUR GIFTS		
CHILDREN'S STORY		Carol Duerksen & Dora Goerzen
SCRIPTURE READING	<i>2 Corinthians 5:11-21</i>	Kara Swartzendruber
	<i>The Word of God for the people of God ~ Thanks be to God!</i>	
SERMON		Pastor Todd Schlosser
*HYMN OF RESPONSE	<i>"Heart with Loving Heart United"</i>	No. 813
CONGREGATIONAL SHARING AND PRAYER		Pastor Todd Schlosser
*SENDING HYMN	<i>"Help Us to Help Each Other"</i>	No. 722
*BENEDICTION		
*POSTLUDE		

**Please stand if you are able*

Sunday, July 12

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

9:30 am: Worship

YouTube Livestream (also available following the service)

<https://youtube.com/live/9KM7454OBkA?feature=share>

10:45 am: Round Table Conversations (see announcement below)

This Week

Bulletin announcements due on Thursday at noon.

Mon, July 13,	8:30 am - Faithful Fitness
	9:30 am - Comforter Tying/Quilting
	7:00 pm - Men's Bible Study
Tues, July 14,	12:30 pm - Staff Meeting
Wed, July 15,	7:00 pm - Christian Education meeting

Next Sunday, July 19

Next Sunday in our Reading the Bible summer series our focus will be the Bible's Poetry. Pastor Katherine will be preaching.

Congregational Announcements

The deacons would like to invite you to a Round Table Conversation event taking place this Sunday, July 12, during the Faith Formation time. This conversation will focus on discerning how to move forward with church leadership following Pastor Todd's resignation. A survey, including deacon thoughts and a survey of questions was sent out ahead of time by email/paper. It would be very helpful for you to read this before Sunday. We will be meeting in "deacon" groups on July 12 so if you are not sure who your deacon is, please check the list in the back of the Directory. You are strongly encouraged to attend but if you aren't able to, you may submit your responses of the Survey by Thursday, July 16. July 19 was tentatively set for Table Conversations Part II but we will delay that until a future time when deacons will share the notes taken from the July 12 discussions and findings from the Surveys.

Next Sunday, July 19 - 6:00 pm at First Mennonite Church (427 W. 4th Street, Halstead) - **Joseph and Rachel Givens** will be sharing about their ministry in Calais, France. Refreshments will follow. Area supporting churches are invited to join for this time of fellowship and learning. The Givens will also be presenting during the morning worship service at Grace Hill Mennonite Church that morning.

The Mennonite Scholarship Committee has updated scholarship application forms and presented them to church council. Information about scholarships and church survey results were included in the weekly bulletin and announcements email and are printed in the foyer.

Save the date: the deacons have planned a Sunday of celebration for Pastor Todd during the worship service on **August 9**, with a potluck following.

Western District Annual Assembly is coming up August 7-9 in Dallas, Texas. If you are interested in **being a delegate**, please let one of the pastors know.

Garden Surplus? Share it at Tabor on the table in the Hospitality Hall. **Need produce?** Help yourself. Donations for produce benefit the Tabor Food Pantry.

Service Sunday will be happening on **September 20th**. If you have any projects or service opportunities to recommend for our community, please notify Kevin or Kenton Nickel.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

Offering = \$ 1,715.00 Attendance = 103

Worship Link Views = 41

Upcoming Dates

July 13-14: MCC Grandparent Days

July 17: Bethel College Alumni & Friends Cookout - 6:00-8:00 pm

July 28: Tabor Mennonite Women at MCC Resource Room - 1:00-3:00 pm

August 7-9: WDC Annual Assembly at Iglesia Luz del Evangelio, Dallas, TX

August 8: Camp Sing (Camp Mennoscah) at Tabor - 7:00 pm

August 9: Potluck Meal for Pastor Todd's last Sunday at Tabor

August 30: Mennograss

September 12: Kids Meet Christ Event – 9:30 am – First Mennonite Church, Hutchinson

September 12-13: Mennonite Women in Mission Retreat

September 20: Service Sunday at Tabor

October 3: Goessel Harvest Festival Quilt Show



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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