

June 29, 2008 Bold Witness: Pray with Courage, Share as One

*“... all were filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God with boldness.”
--Acts 4:31b*

Praising God

PRELUDE Bill Froese and Brian Voth

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader, Leann Toews

Leader: Lord, fill us with your Holy Spirit.

People: Let us speak your word boldly.

Leader: Lord, fill us with your Holy Spirit.

People: Make us one in heart and mind.

Leader: Lord, fill us with your Holy Spirit.

People: Let us share what we have.

**All: By your Holy Spirit, fill us with boldness to share
your word and all that we have and all that we are.**

PRAYER

*SINGING OUR PRAISE *“All praise to our redeeming Lord”* No. 21

*GREETING EACH OTHER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please pass the welcome pads

WORSHIPING WITH OUR OFFERINGS AND DEDICATING THEM

Proclaiming God's Word

CHILDREN'S STORY Gayle Funk

HISTORICAL MOMENT *“Harvest Mission Auctions”* Darlene Schroeder

HYMN *“Come, ye thankful people”* No. 94

*HEARING THE NEW TESTAMENT *Acts 4:31-35*

SERMON *“Audaciously Bold”* Corey Miller

Responding To God's Word

CONGREGATIONAL SHARING LIST

SONG *“Help us to help each other”* No. 362

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*SENDING SONG *“Bless'd be the tie that binds”* No. 421

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Today

We are called to emulate the Bold Witness that the early church modeled for us. As the Spirit empowered them, the young church of Christ prayed with courage and shared as one! How does our spirituality and economics fit together in 2008? How do we discover such boldness in our times. We have been reflecting on this theme all weekend at the Western District and South Central Conference and we now reflect here in this place.

We are sad to inform you that our friends from Casa de Alfraro (Potter House) in Pasadena, Texas and the New Jerusalem Mennonite Church in North Houston, Texas will not be joining us this morning. Pastor Aurora's mother is very ill, so nobody from the church came to conference this weekend.

We welcome all of you to our time of worship! This morning you were greeted by Carrie & Justin Sommerfeld and Dora & Charlie Unruh. *Please take time to fill out our friendship pads.* Come back and join us again.

Nancy Schroeder is providing childcare in the nursery during worship.

10:45 a.m.—Sunday School for everyone. Adults meet in the sanctuary to test your knowledge of Tabor's history with "Church History Jeopardy Game". Children will meet in the library and then in the South Sunday school rooms in the basement for a church history game created just for you.

On the table in the foyer are **Prayer Request Cards**. You are invited to fill one out if you have a request and return it to a pastor's box.

This Week

Tuesday, July 1

10:00 a.m.—Men's Morning Manna at Daylight Donuts in Hesston.

7:30 p.m.—Trustee Meeting.

Wednesday, July 2

7:00 p.m.—Education Committee meeting.

July 2-July 7

Miller's gone to South Dakota. Nancy, Corey and the girls will be going to South Dakota this week to share in Salem Mennonite Church's centennial celebration. Salem is Corey's home congregation and he will be preaching on Sunday morning. The Miller's will leave on Wednesday morning and return on Monday.

June 29-July 5

TMYF Service Trip.

Next Sunday, July 6

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday the theme is "Being Yoked with Jesus". The texts are Psalm 145:8-14, Romans 7:15-25a, Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 and Genesis 6:1-4 and Karen will be preaching.

10:45 a.m.—Sunday School for everyone. Adults will meet in the sanctuary to hear reports from the Western District Conference. Children meet in the library, then the South rooms in the basement

Announcements

Thanks!

A miracle took place last Saturday, June 21 when I was in a car accident and God was there with me. Thank you for cards and prayers. -Flo Wiens

The TMYF would like to thank you so much for your support at our Ice Cream Social on Sunday evening. We were able to raise \$1253.25 thanks to you! Your commitment and support to us are great and we appreciate all that you do for us. We would also like to publicly thank all the parents who helped put this on. Without their help it wouldn't have been possible. Thanks again!!

Children's Summer Sunday School: Teachers, please sign up (on the bulletin board in the supply room) to help this summer—one or two helpers would be appreciated for each Sunday. There is also a sign up sheet to provide snacks. Thanks for your help!

Young Adults! The Surgeon General has determined that if you don't attend the young adult boil, you will soon start to show signs of aging. If you don't attend, will you still be a young adult the day after the boil? Bill didn't boil until he was 40. Think about it. . .boil early, boil often. That's Deacon Bill's Boil Bash, July 13, 6:30 p.m. at Bill and Sherry Unruh's home. RSVP with your invitation card or contact Deacon Bill himself, bill_unruh@yahoo.com

It is CROP Drive time again. Farmers, if you have wheat to donate to CROP, please fill out the CROP envelope. Anyone wishing to give cash, make the check payable to MCC and designate it to CROP. Return envelopes to Rudy Schmidt.

Share Your Garden Produce! There is a table in the Food Pantry room where anyone can bring their garden produce to share and anyone may take some home. Just leave a small donation that will help the Food Pantry Ministry. Contact Nancy Miller if you have questions.

All Tabor Ladies: If you would like to subscribe to Timbrel, a magazine published for Mennonite Women USA, NOW is the time. Those of you who have a renewal due will have a note in you mail boxes. My deadline for renewals and new subscriptions is July 15 (although you may have a new subscription at any time.) Please make your payment to Willing Helpers and return to Barb Banman. Our group rate is as follows: 1 year is \$12.00, 2 years \$22.00 and 3 years \$30.00.

Western District Conference:

The joint annual delegate sessions for Western District and South Central Conferences ended last evening at Hesston Mennonite Church with an inspiring worship service and communion. Several hundred participants were challenged by the conference theme: "Bold Witness: Pray with Courage, Share as One", based on Acts 4:31-35. Members in all our churches are encouraged to continue their reflection on that theme and how that can best be lived out on a daily basis.

A Network of Christian Educators

The Grapevine Resource Group is a way for those concerned about congregational Christian education to share, network and learn from each other. Anyone is welcome: Sunday school teachers, superintendents, parents, pastors, Christian education committees and Wednesday night coordinators. The next meeting will be Thursday July 10, 7:00 p.m. at Hesston Mennonite Church We will again explore different possibilities for Mid-week children's curriculum programming and scheduling. Come to listen, learn and share. Marlene Bogard is planner/facilitator; for information, contact her at: 316-283-6300; mbogard@mennowdc.org.

Camp Mennoscah update: work is continuing on the new director's residence. They are now in need of interior painters. The A.C. is on, so it will be a cool job! If you can help, contact Galen Waltner, 620-386-0287.

Camp Mennoscah Summer Camps—Wow! We're halfway through our summer camps! It's been a great summer so far, and we don't want you to miss it. (Have you seen our River Play Rainbow People?) There are still spaces available for our Junior II and Junior III camps—but only a few for our Junior High II and Senior High camps. Contact us about availability. Our theme this summer is The Bible: Digging for Treasure. Bring a friend and come see what we're doing this summer. Confirmation cards should be arriving for those campers who have already registered. Please check the cards for any inaccurate information. Questions? Contact us at 620-297-3290 or campmno@mennowdc.org.

The Hopi Mission School in Kykotsmovi, Ariz., is in need of certified teachers for the coming school year. If you or someone you know is a Christian educator willing to serve with MVS in this unique location, apply immediately at Service.MennoniteMission.net.

Helmut Isaak, brother of Mennonite martyr Kornelius Isaak, will be in Newton, July 2 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of his brother's death. Kornelius was a Paraguayan Mennonite missionary killed during an exploratory visit among the Moro indigenous people in 1958. Faith Mennonite Church, 2100 N Anderson in Newton, will be hosting a story-telling program at 7:00 p.m. in their Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome. See the bulletin board for more information.

West Zion Mennonite Church (Moundridge) **Concert Series** continues TODAY at 7 p.m. Performers sharing their musical gifts include Jill Wiebe, harp; Richard Tirk, trumpet; Karen Bauman Schlabaugh; & Chelsea Vaught, organ and Donna Stucky, offertory music. Free-will offering taken. Refreshments and fellowship follow.

Peace, lived out in us.

"If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all."

- Romans 12:18