

Kansas MCC Sale ~ April 17 and 18

The following individuals are going to run in the **5K race for MCC at the sale: Les Goerzen, Jerry Toews, Lee Goertzen, Phyllis Goertzen, Denise Nickel, Sara Booth, Kellen Froese, Hannah Miller, Rachel Miller, Corey Miller, Nancy Miller, Jesse Perry, Reece Hiebert, Mark Schmidt, Carson Voth, Kris Schmidt, Archie Schmidt, Jason Unruh and Darla Funk. Please contact a participant to be a sponsor and donate to the walk.

****The MCC Sale Book** is in your mailbox this morning. Please study it from cover to cover to be informed about what is going on at the sale this year.

****Please sign** up wherever you can help (table in foyer). This is an easy opportunity that is fun where we can help many people with our donations of time, talents, and money. PLEASE sign up for helping make more pies and zweibach.

Please put your **pre-sale donations in your contact person's box if you haven't yet. Everyone giving a little, helps our expenses get paid.

If you are looking for an uplifting experience, please sign up for helping **make 20,000 Verenike on Tuesday, April 14. Young and old alike will experience something good happening. The old are asked to take the "sit down" job of putting the final pinch on the verenike while visiting in low German. Those that do not know the skill, PLEASE sign up on the purple sheet for this 4 hour course in learning the art (sorry, no college credit).

See **table in the foyer for more information. Visit: www.kansas.mccsale.org

Jesus prays for God's Peace

Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings.+ -Jesus

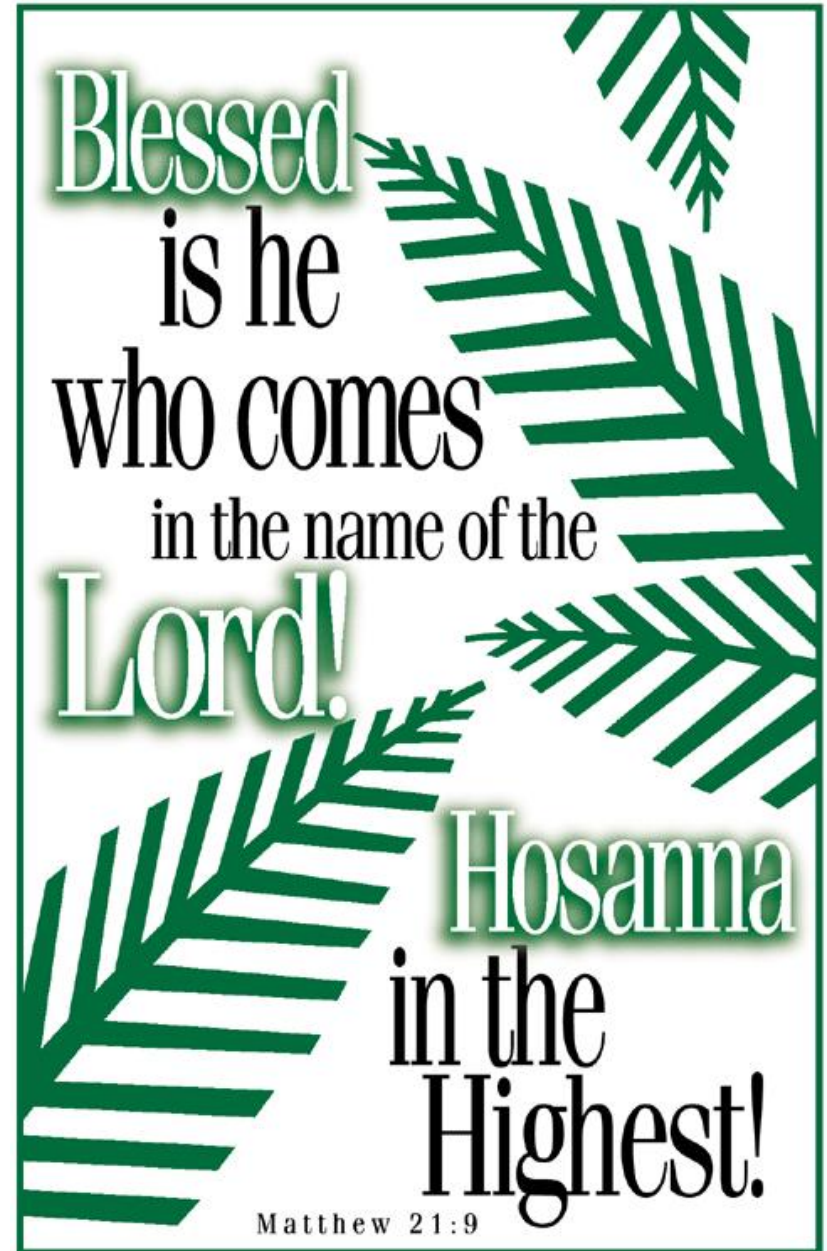


*Come Holy Spirit.
Fill the hearts of thy faithful people
and kindle in us the fire of thy love.*

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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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Ruling in Humility

*"Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord!" -Mark 11:9*

Gathering

PRELUDE Cross Road

PALM BRANCH PROCESSIONAL *"Jesus is coming"*

SPECIAL MUSIC *"Hosanna Medley"* Sonbeams and Children of Light

WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader, Warren Schmidt

Leader: Look, people of God, see what is coming!

People: What a surprise . . . our King on a donkey!

Leader: Our teacher shows us what humility looks like and
how deceptive appearances can be.

**People: We praise you, God, for giving us yet another glimpse
of your upside-down Kingdom.**

Leader: You are both ever-new and lovingly steadfast,
on the move and reliably faithful.

People: You are our God and we will thank you. Amen.

ALL: Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

PRAYING FOR GOD'S PRESENCE

Praising God

*GATHERING OUR PRAISE *"All glory, laud and honor"* No. 237

*GREETING EACH OTHER and ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are welcome to fill out the friendship brochure and place it in the offering bag.

CHILDREN'S STORY

Diane Unruh

Spring Salad Supper for all women and girls of the church on April 20, 6:30pm. Bring a salad and come for an evening of food and fellowship. Following the meal, Kim Vogel Sawyer from Hutchinson, speaker and author of Christian fiction, will give her presentation entitled *Lessons Learned from Chocolate*. Sign up on the bulletin board.

Exercise classes coming! *Wednesday Night Wellness* begins April 22nd. Check for details in the Tabor Newsletter or contact Kevin Nickel.

Young Adult "Broil" coming on April 26, 5:30 p.m. at Kevin & Yvette Nickel's home. Watch for more details.

Summer Camps: Kids! Plan to experience camp this summer. Early registration is due May 1. If you did not receive a catalog, there are some on the table in the foyer. Tabor will award \$50 scholarships to all those attending Mennoscah or Rocky Mountain Camps. Sign up on the bulletin board if you are planning to attend.

On the Bulletin Boards:

- ★ Newsletter from **Chuck & Joy Goertzen** serving with Campus Crusades.
- ★ Goessel Elementary PTO requesting recipes for **50th anniversary cookbook**. Details are posted on the bulletin board.
- ★ **Hesston Bethel Performing Arts** present Trio Voronezh April 5, 3pm, Hesston Mennonite Church. See bulletin board for details.
- ★ **Peace Connection:** Getting Ahead+class formation April 16, see details.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE
March 29, 2009
Services cancelled due to weather.

Did You Know? This morning as you entered the church, the landscaping is beautiful (\$700), the lights are on (\$5,500), and there was paper and ink to print bulletins (\$2,500). This is made possible from a portion of the Trustee budget.

Prayer Requests

The following items were shared on Sunday, March 22

- ★ Doug shared about the opportunity to help the youth from Potter House Mennonite Church get to conference this summer. A portion of the youth group's fundraising meal would be helping to fund the way for about 5 youth from Potter House.

Happenings:

- ★ The Youth Sunday service, which was scheduled for March 29, will be rescheduled.

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for the humility of Jesus in our congregations in spite of the crowds around us yelling for a different kind of ruler in our culture.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: On Palm Sunday and Easter, churches in many parts of Africa incarnate visible testimonies to the whole community, including woven palm branches and resurrection parades. Pray that the church worldwide would expand its witness during this season of joyous celebration.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. Child abuse is an American epidemic. Before today is over, four children will DIE. To prevent child abuse, let us pray and act for healthy, safe and nurturing environments in homes, churches and centers for young children. (Mennonite Early Childhood Network)
- ★ courage and strength to follow Jesus through the shadows of death this week.

Announcements

Thank You

Thanks, Tabor family, for your awesome **support of TMYF!!** We raised over \$2500 to attend the Mennonite Convention. We are thrilled that we will have enough money to share with the youth from the Potter House Church. Your generosity shows how much you care for the youth of our church and support their activities.

Joyful Noise would like to thank you for your donations from the Wed. evening meal on April 1. We were able to deposit \$600.00! Also, you should have received an invitation to a No Party, Party in your church mailbox. Please consider "making your reservation" donation for this "event" by April 12. There is a box in the foyer for these envelopes....look for the bright orange basketballs! Thanks again for your generosity!

---JNCCC board of directors

Hearing God's Word

HEARING THE NEW TESTAMENT *Philippians 2:5-11*

SILENCE AND CONFESSION *"Ob Lord have Mercy"* Cross Road

Generous God, in our self-centeredness, we wall off our hearts.

But when we cut ourselves off from our sisters and brothers we also cut ourselves off from you.

Release our grip on our fears and enter our hearts.

Open us to you and to those around us.

We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

SONG OF ASSURANCE *"You are all we have"* No. 158CS

*HEARING THE GOSPEL STORY *Mark 11:1-11*

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

SERMON *"A Terrifying Meekness"* Karen Andres

Responding to God's Word

SONG OF FAITH *"Jesus, you have called us"* -Doug & Jude Krebbiel Cross Road

Jesus, you have called us; you will never leave us.

Give us the strength to follow you.

Jesus, you have called us your will to do.

Give us the strength to follow you.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER and OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Coins collected for MCC Relief Sale Penny Challenge

A portion of this offering is for the ministry of the trustee budget.

BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG *"I walked today where Jesus walked"* Bill Froese

Dale Alderfer

POSTLUDE

Today

Palm Sunday reminds us of Jesus' life of humility. His humility of spirit led to meekness in action. Because of the heart knowledge of being the beloved of God, Jesus lived a life which expressed the truth of that love. May we too embrace the knowledge of God's love for us.

This morning you were greeted by Darwin & Kim Funk and Pete & Sharon Unruh. *Please note the friendship cards in the songbook holders and fill one out if you have requests or if you are a visitor.* We are so glad that you are here to worship with us.

Childcare is provided by Phyllis Goertzen in the nursery during worship.

10:45 a.m.—Sunday School for everyone. All college-age people are invited to Les and Cynthia Goerzen's home right after the service for devotions and visiting, followed by lunch. Helen & zwiabach will be back!

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

Monday, April 6

7:30 p.m.— Deacons meet at Tabor. They will meet with Monica Voth at 8:30pm.

Tuesday, April 7

7:30 p.m.— Trustee meeting

Wednesday, April 8

6:00 - 6:45p.m.—Supper for everyone. *Please sign up for meal*

6:30 - 7:00p.m.—Sonbeams **6:30 - 7:15p.m.**—Children of Light

7:00 - 8:00p.m.—Faith Friends, TMYF, Adult Choir practice

7:15 - 8:15p.m.—Faith Adventure, Youth Explorers, Worship Team

8:00 - 9:00p.m.—Combined Adult Choir practice with Alexanderwohl

Thursday, April 9

6:30 p.m.— Maundy Thursday service.

Friday, April 10

7:00 p.m.— Good Friday service.



Maundy Thursday service held in the fellowship hall on April 9th. Light supper at **6:30pm** followed by a worship service of music, scriptures and communion. If you haven't been a part of this evening for a while, we invite you to come out and experience this together as we follow Jesus to the cross.

Please sign up for the meal on the bulletin board in the foyer. There is also a sign up sheet if you are willing to bake bread.

Community Good Friday service at Tabor on April 10th. A joint choir from Alexanderwohl, Goessel and Tabor Mennonite will share their gifts as well as a new song written by Doug and Jude Krehbiel and meaningful scripture presentations. The worship service will begin at **7:00pm**.

You are again invited to **share Easter lilies** in memory of a loved one or in celebration of God's goodness. Bring your lily, with your name on it, to the library by noon Saturday, April 11. Notify the church office no later than Wednesday April 8 with your name and celebration/memory so we can include this information in our worship bulletin.

Thoughts for Holy Week:

Jesus had to walk a lonesome road on his way to the cross. How will we walk with Jesus this week through the Last Supper, the trial, the temptations, the suffering and the death that he experienced. May we all be in prayer this week as we prepare to stay with Jesus in the dark times so we can celebrate His resurrection next Sunday.

Next Sunday, April 12

8:30 a.m.—Easter Breakfast at Tabor Mennonite in the fellowship hall. Bring sweet rolls, Easter breads and Resurrection Fruit! Resurrection fruit is your favorite fruit that is displayed in a way that celebrates the joy, beauty and flavor of Christ's resurrection!

9:30 a.m.—**NEXT SUNDAY** we will celebrate Easter Sunday. The theme is **Christ is Risen!** and the texts are Acts 10:34-43, Psalm 118, I Corinthians 15:1-11 and Mark 16:1-8. Rosie Jantz will be worship leading, the adult choir will be singing, Corey will be preaching and Monica Voth will be baptized. Be in prayer for all who will lead this worship service!

No Sunday school