

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

March 22, 2009

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| Offering | = | \$4,160.02 | Attendance | = | 199 |
| Adult S.S. | = | \$ 42.25 | Attendance | = | 92 |
| Jr. S.S. | = | \$ 17.87 | Attendance | = | 13 |

Did You Know? \$2000, or 3/4 of 1% of our annual budget goes to support the activities of our high school age youth group, Tabor Mennonite Youth Fellowship.

God's Peace comes through Christ.

Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is in the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. - *Jeremiah 17:7-8*



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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Youth Sunday

All Things Work for Good

*"All things work for good for those who love the Lord."
-Romans 8:28*

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| PRELUDE | | Youth Worship Band |
| WELCOME & CALL TO WORSHIP | | Worship Leader, Laura Unruh |
| PRAYING FOR GOD'S PRESENCE | | |
| *SINGING OUR PRAISE | <i>"Great is the Lord"</i> | No. 87 |
| *GREETING EACH OTHER and ANNOUNCEMENTS | | |
| | <i>You are welcome to fill out the friendship brochure and place it in the offering bag.</i> | |
| CHILDREN'S STORY | | Hannah Perry |
| PRAYER OF CONFESSION | | |
| SILENCE | | |
| SONG | <i>"Trading my Sorrows"</i> | PowerPoint |
| DRAMA | <i>"Jolene's Text Message"</i> Inspired by Genesis 37-45 <i>Written by Carol Duerksen ~ Directed by Carrie Sommerfeld</i> | Youth Group |
| SONG OF FATIH | <i>"Seek Ye First"</i> | PowerPoint |

On the Bulletin Boards:

- ★ Newsletter from **Chuck & Joy Goertzen** serving with Campus Crusades.
- ★ **Hesston Bethel Performing Arts** present Trio Voronezh April 5, 3pm, Hesston Mennonite Church. See bulletin board for details.
- ★ **Camp MennoScah:** Register now for summer camps.
Men and BoyqRetreat: April 24-26
RetireesqRelaxation Retreat: April 27-29.
JOY (Just fOr You) Retreat: May 24-25.
- ★ KPTS will broadcast the film **Through the Desert Goes Our Journey**, Thurs, April 2, pm. This film follows a modern pilgrimage from Kansas to the Silk Road kingdom of Khiva.

Kansas MCC Sale ~ April 17 and 18

- ****Children's Coin Offering** brought in \$91.43 last Sunday. In Ukraine MCC can test one persons eyes and fit them with eyeglasses for \$5. THIS \$90 will provide 18 people with eyeglasses thru MCC work.
- ****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. Be a part of something miraculous right in our nearby backyard.
- **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

This is no April Fool! Joyful Noise is planning to serve the Wednesday evening meal on April 1 and would like your support. Please sign up on the meal sheet to help us plan numbers and if you would like to donate food items for the meal, there are sign up sheets on the bulletin board. Thanks so much for your continued support!

Everyone Come Together: Roll up your sleeves and come out for fellowship, fun, food and some work too. Saturday, April 4 is our annual work day here at Tabor. There is something for everyone to do, from inside cleaning to cleaning windows to yard work to tree trimming to repairing pews and more. Work begins as early as 7:30 a.m. Come for the morning or part of the morning. We are looking for a good turnout. The more help there is the earlier we finish!

Exercise classes coming in April! Our new exercise program, *Wednesday Night Wellness* will begin April 22nd. At 5:30-6:00 pm will be the "Active Seniors" class specifically for senior citizens. From 7:00-8:00pm will be the "Faithful Fitness" class open to everyone ages 14 and older. Classes will include instructor led strength training, stretching, outdoor cardio exercises, and variety of other fitness activities. Contact Kevin Nickel with questions.

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 MennoCah or Rocky Mountain Camps. Sign up on the bulletin board if you are planning to attend.

Grapevine - an informal gathering of Christian educators and parents will meet on Thursday April 2 at 7 p.m. at 2517 N. Main St. in N. Newton. Our focus will be on a new resource: Raising Children to Love Their Neighbors, a curriculum for children grades 1-5. The gathering is hosted by Marlene Bogard, WDC Minister of Christian Nurture. RSVP:316-283-6300.

Mennonite Central Committee: The global food crisis may seem like it is beyond your backyard, but there is something you can do! In conjunction with the Washington Office Spring Seminar the following events are open to the public at Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church:
Sunday, March 29, 3 pm: overview of the global food crisis from an Ethiopian perspective. At 7 pm: panel discussion of different viewpoints on bio-fuels.
Monday, March 30, 7 pm: Zemedkun Baykeda Habtyimer will speak at the MCC Center in North Newton about his experience in Ethiopia with the global food crisis and explain MCC's involvement in the process of food crisis alleviation. All are welcome to attend this informative and enriching evening. See bulletin board for complete details.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Michelle Unruh

Coins collected for MCC Relief Sale Penny Challenge

A portion of this offering supports Tabor Mennonite Youth Fellowship.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*SONG OF HOPE

"Shout to the North"

PowerPoint

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Today

Even though we don't always do it, it is much easier to praise God when things are going well than when the world seems to be reaching in around us. When bad things happen it seems like God is far away. The bible teaches us again and again however, that it is often the times of intense struggle and challenge that God can use to make us stronger and prepare us to be better able to bring about the Kingdom.

This morning you were greeted by Brent, Pam & Samuel Abrahams and James Goerzen and Hannah Perry. *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 Carrie Unruh in the nursery during worship.

TMYF Members: *Josh Booth, Jasmine Brandt, Travis Fensky, Hayden Goerzen, James Goerzen, Cody Loewen, Caleb Makovec, Lars Osland, Hannah Perry, Isaac Perry, Janina Schmidt, Austin Unruh, Kristin Unruh, Laura Unruh, Leah Unruh, Michelle Unruh, Monica Voth*

Musicians: *John Unruh, Brian Voth*

Sponsors: Sharleen and Russ Francis, Brent and Pam Abrahams, Carrie and Justin Sommerfeld

Youth Pastor: Doug Krehbiel

Italics indicate member of TMYF Worship Team

10:45 a.m.—Sunday School for everyone.

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, March 31

12:00 p.m.— Hesston Lunch Bunch at Hesston College Snack Bar.

Wednesday, April 1

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

6:00 - 6:45p.m.—Supper for Everyone. *Please sign up for meal served by JNCCC. Your donations are welcome and appreciated.*

6:30 - 7:00p.m.—Sonbeams

6:30 - 7:15p.m.—Children of Light

7:00 - 8:00p.m.—Faith Friends, TMYF

Adult Bible Study - Lenten Prayer Time

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

8:00 - 9:00p.m.—Adult Choir. Adult Choir Social following practice.

Thursday, April 2

12:00 p.m.—Newton Lunch Bunch at The Breadbasket in Newton.


7:30 p.m.—Church Council meeting

Next Sunday, April 5

9:30 a.m.—**NEXT SUNDAY** we continue our Lenten season, *“Our lives are in your hands.”* The theme is *“Ruling in Humility”* and the texts are Mark 11:1-11, Psalm 118, Isaiah 50:4-9 and Philipians 2:5-11. Warren Schmidt will be worship leading and Pastor Karen will be preaching.

10:45 a.m.—Sunday School for everyone.

All college-age people are invited to Les and Cynthia Goerzen's home next Sunday right after the Tabor Church service for devotions and visiting, followed by lunch.



The Lent Season

Thoughts for Lent Six:
Jesus interprets the apparent failure of his ministry as the death of a seed being planted.
What in our lives needs to die?
How is Jesus offering us new life?

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.

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for the WDC representatives (Dorothy Nickel Friesen, Berni Kaufman, Jacob Castro) at the Constituency Leaders Council at Amigo Centre in Michigan March 30-April 1.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: MMN workers George and Tobia Veith request prayer for deep and lasting heart changes in emerging leaders in the Macau Mennonite Church as they participate in ongoing training for personal spiritual growth and to be effective small group leaders.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: All Mennonite higher education institutions. Pray for the campus ministry staff persons of the Mennonite colleges and universities gathering on the Bluffton University campus April 1-2. This is an important time of relationship-building and mutual support for those who nurture the spiritual health of these campus communities.

Remember to praise God for:

- ★ the gift of our youth as they share God's Good News with their voices, creativity and energy.

Announcements

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.

Today is your last chance to vote in the TMYF cute baby contest. The winner will receive a prize, so help them out!

In your mailboxes: New Tabor Church directories are in your mailboxes today. Thanks to Darlene Schroeder and Deloris Schmidt for helping cutting and binding the booklets.