

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE
August 8, 2010

Offering = \$ 5,187.72	Attendance = 158
Adult S.S. = \$ 35.00	Attendance = 81
Jr. S.S. = \$ 5.00	Attendance = 10

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Tabor Mennonite Church

August 15, 2010



**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.**

Volume LV

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No. 33

“Greatly Gifted”

What transforming work is God's Spirit doing in my life, the church, the world?

Gathering to Worship

PRELUDE Michelle Unruh

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP Carrie Sommerfeld
Worship Leader

Leader: A mighty wind has blown; and tongues of fire have danced!

People: The Spirit is with us, just as Jesus promised.

Leader: God's Spirit moves among us and gathers us together.

People: God's Spirit generously gives us spiritual gifts.

Leader: God's Spirit gives us power and calls us to serve the world.

ALL: God's Spirit is poured out upon us. Worship God with joy!

Praising God

PRAYING FOR GOD'S PRESENCE

*GATHERING OUR PRAISE *“Holy spirit, come with power”* No. 26

*GREETING EACH OTHER and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND DEDICATING THEM

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

CHILDREN'S STORY Janna Duerksen

COMMISSIONING GOD'S SERVANTS FOR MISSION
Michael Unruh, Marie Unruh

The Goessel Area Crop Walk is scheduled for Sunday, October 3, at 1:30 p.m. We are looking for Business Sponsors to help provide free t-shirts for the participants this year. If you are part of a business that would like to donate money in this way, your Business Logo will be printed on the t-shirt. Please send your donation of \$25.00 or more and your Business Logo to Denise Nickel, P. O. Box 173, Goessel, KS 67053, or put in her Tabor Church mailbox. Walkers, please start thinking about walking and signing up early (see Kevin Nickel) so we can gather the sizes and get the t-shirts ordered. More news will come soon! Thank you!

Urgent: MCC Canner needed: Are you willing to travel with Mennonite Central Committee's meat canner for the next two years, helping to prepare canned meat for people in crisis around the world? MCC has an urgent opening for this service position, starting as soon as possible. Learn more about the opening at mcc.org/serve/positions/canner-operator-2 or call Maynard Knepp at 316-283-2720.

It's time for MCC School Kits! The MCC warehouses are extremely low on school kits and MCC has already received requests for over 40,000 school kits from partner organizations around the world. The next time you're out running errands, pick up the supplies for an MCC School Kit! The complete list and instructions for making a school kit bag can be found at mcc.org/kits/school. Kits should be taken to your nearest MCC drop-off location or the MCC Center in North Newton, KS. Please call us with questions at 316-283-2720.

The annual MCC Flatlander Bicycle Ride will be held on Saturday, Sept. 18, originating at the MCC offices in N. Newton. This year's ride will raise funds for an MCC water development project in Nigeria. Informational brochure is posted on the bulletin board. If you would like a copy, contact the church office.

On the Bulletin Boards:

- ★ News from **Camp Mennoscah**.
- ★ **Women's Girls Retreat** at Camp Mennoscah Sept. 10-12.
- ★ **3-D Jesus** coming to Hesston College Oct. 29-31.
- ★ Volunteer positions needed for **Et Cetera Shop** in Newton.
- ★ **MCC and MDS** updates.

BRINGING PEACE TODAY:

Love has a hem to her garment that reaches the very dust. It sweeps the stains from the streets and lanes, and because it can, it must.

-Mother Teresa



Announcements

Thanks: We would like to send our sincere gratitude for the many kind expressions of sympathy and words of encouragement at the passing of Doug's grandma, Del Krehbiel. -Doug and Jude Krehbiel

12th Annual Miller BBQ/Mennograss in the Park! Make plans to attend a great evening of food, friends and great bluegrass music! This year we have a special group called the %Black Kettle Gospel Bluegrass Band+coming from McPherson. We will also have amazing talent that is very local. The live music will start at 5:45pm. We will be serving great hamburgers, beans and chips again, starting at 5:30pm. WE AGAIN ASK THAT YOU BRING A DESSERT THAT WILL GRACE OUR DESSERT TABLE. Bring a lawn chair and please bring a friend. This is a community building event and an outreach event for Tabor. Look at the posters for more information.

Summer Education and Worship Times! For the rest of the summer, we will continue to have our Faith Formation hour begin at 9:30am (with coffee and tea) and our worship will follow at 10:45 a.m. Make plans to come and join in the learning and worship!

Children's SS: Teachers are needed for Gr. 4-6 on Aug. 22, 29. Babysitters are needed Aug. 22, 29. Sign up on the bulletin board.

Free Purpose magazines are available on the shelf by the mailboxes. Carol Duerksen has recently started editing Purpose; and beginning with the September issue, Tim Unruh has a column in every issue. If you like the magazine and want your own subscription, there's an order line number in the fine print on page 2.

Commodity Gifts to MCC: Commodity gift tickets are on the table in the foyer. If you wish to donate grain, please fill out the form and return to Harlin Unruh. If you wish to make a cash donation, make checks payable to MCC, and place in Harlin Unruh's mailbox TODAY.

Homeless Shelter Ministry Opportunity! Tabor Mennonite Church has been asked to help the First United Methodist Church of Newton to provide meals and night supervision at the Newton Homeless Shelter from August 17-24. For anyone who is interested in proclaiming peace through this important ministry, contact Brent Abrahams or sign up on the form on the bulletin board. Anyone who volunteers for evening/night supervision will need to go to a brief orientation/training time held at the shelter on the following days: August 17 - 6:30 pm, August 18 - 10 am. Bethany Mace is the director at the shelter and she is very excited to hear of our involvement and participation in this ministry.

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.

Hearing God's Word

SPECIAL MUSIC

Mary Ulsaker

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES *I Corinthians 12:4-13, Galatians 5:16-25*

SERMON *"God's Unpredictable, Energizing, Unifying Spirit!"* Corey Miller

Responding to God's Word

SONG *"Like a tender breath, stirring"* Back of Bulletin

SHARING and CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*SENDING SONG *"Move in our midst"* No. 418

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Today

The Holy Spirit came at Pentecost and turned the disciples world upside down! Not only does the Spirit unify us in Christ, the Spirit gives us gifts, talents and abilities to be used for God's glory. How are you discovering and sharing your gifts, talents and abilities?

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

We are so glad that you have joined us to worship.

This morning you were greeted by Rosie and Kent Jantz and Angie, Gary, Olivia and Zack Duerksen. *Please note the friendship cards in the songbook holders and fill one out if you have requests or if you are a visitor and place it in the offering bag.*

Childcare is provided in the nursery by Janna Duerksen during the worship service.



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

Today Continued



One bouquet of flowers this morning is in celebration of Ruth Schmidt's 90th birthday! Another is in honor of Bob and Erlene Unruh's 60th wedding anniversary! Praise God for his gifts of long life and love!!

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.

—Pastor Karen will be returning from vacation today.

Marie's Breakfast Bash! You enjoyed breakfast before Sunday School today. Marie has also been busy this summer baking pies and other baked goods to raise her portion of the needed funds for Marie Unruh's Radical Journey Fund. Similar items are available for donation today.

This Week

Wednesday, August 18

5:30 p.m.—Active Seniors exercise group.

7:00 p.m.—Faithful Fitness exercise group.

Saturday, August 21

10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.—**Day on the Farm** at the farm of Maynard Knepp and Carol Duerksen. Meal served beginning at 11:30 a.m. Event is free, contributions to Agri-Urban are welcome. See bulletin board for details.

Next Sunday, August 22

9:30 a.m.—Faith Formation for everyone.

High School to Adults: **Learning and Living the Biblical Story** led by Rosie Jantz. Meet in the Fellowship Hall. Children age 2 through grade 6: **Stories of God's People**.+Shepherds: 7th and 8th graders. Meet in rooms 111-112.

10:45 a.m.—**Worship:** We will continue with our study through the Biblical Story series. The theme of the worship is **Jesus has the Last Word**; the texts are John 1:1-10 and John 8 and Karen will be preaching.

Prayer Requests

The following items were shared last Sunday, August 8.

- ★ Erlene Unruh shared how inspiring it has been for her to attend the Summer Faith Formation class led by Rosie Jantz, Carol Duerksen and Doug Krehbiel. She invited all to take advantage of these good teaching times.

Happenings:

- ★ Bertha Schroeder died on Wednesday evening, August 11. Her funeral service will be held at Tabor on Monday, August 16 at 10:30 a.m. Visitation will be at the Miller Funeral Home today from 4-8pm, family 6-8pm.
- ★ *Caring Quilt Locations:* The Caring Quilt was taken to Elaine Schroeder as she remembers the life of her mother in law, Bertha. The Children's Caring Quilt was home.

Remember to pray for:

- ★ God's will be done with the Mennonite Church USA delegation to Phoenix. Last week a group met with city officials, convention planners, local Hispanic and MC USA congregations to determine if they should have the conference in Phoenix in 2013 or find an alternate place.
- ★ Those who will be helping and serving at the Homeless Shelter starting this week. Pray for safety, joy, and listening ears as we seek to be the presence of Christ.
- ★ Mennonite Central Committee grieves the loss of service worker Glen D. Lapp following an attack on his medical team in northeastern Afghanistan. We call the church to prayer for Glen's loved ones, family and friends of the others who perished, staff of our partner organization in Afghanistan, the people of Afghanistan, and the people who carried out this tragic act. Glen truly showed Christ's love and compassion and the biblical call to peacemaking in serving with the Afghan people. He will be remembered.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for Doug Penner as he leads the Western District Conference as our moderator for the next two years. Thank God for the new and continuing workers in WDC ministries.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for Akiko Aratani and Raymond Epp and their four children as they live out the good news of Jesus through Menno Village, an award-winning urban/rural agricultural initiative in Japan.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Most students arrive at Hesston College this week for fall semester classes that will begin Monday, August 23. Pray that the freshmen will feel at home in this Christ-centered community, will build meaningful relationships, and will apply themselves to their studies.