

**OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE**  
**September 5, 2010**

Offering	= \$ 2,836.41	Attendance	= 190
Adult S.S.	= \$ 81.00	Attendance	= 100
Jr. S.S.	= \$ 7.95	Attendance	= 13

**Peace Reorients People to a New Way of Life:**

"We cannot have peace if we are only concerned with peace. War is not an accident. It is the logical outcome of a certain way of life. If we want to attack war, we have to attack that way of life." - A. J. Muste



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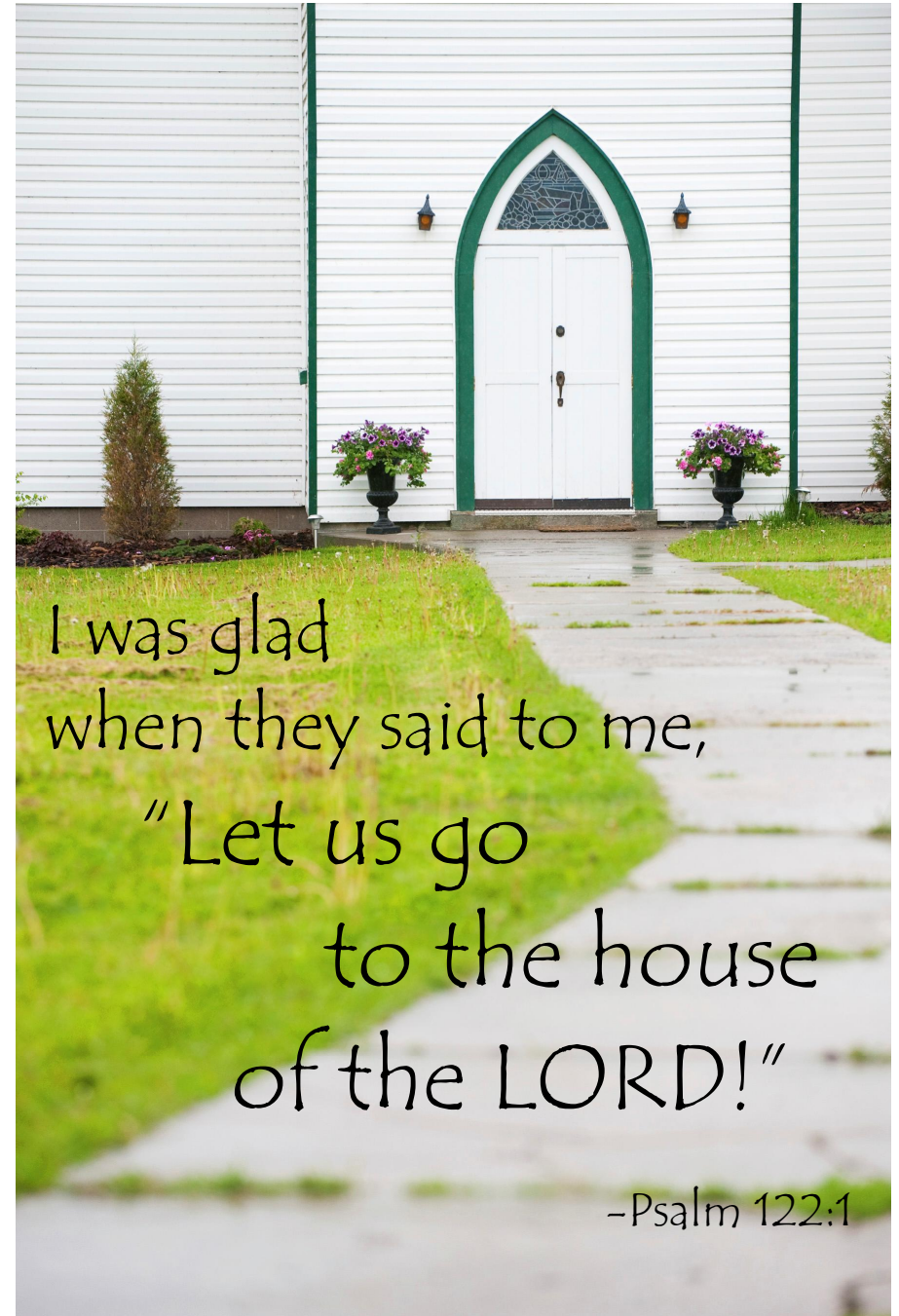
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I was glad  
when they said to me,  
"Let us go  
to the house  
of the LORD!"

-Psalm 122:1

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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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No. 36

## “Passing on the Faith”

*“Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favor.” -Luke 2:52*

### Gathering Our Praise

PRELUDE

Cross Road, Marcene Entz

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP   Worship Leader, Elaine Schroeder

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made.

**All: Let us be glad and rejoice in it.**

Leader: This is a day of new beginnings--new classes, new teachers,  
new lessons.

**All: We are grateful for new beginnings.**

Leader: This is a day to commit to new learning opportunities,  
to open our minds and our hearts to what God wants us to learn.

**All: We are grateful for new learning opportunities.**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.

**All: We are glad and rejoice in it.**

GATHERING OUR PRAISE   *“He has made me glad”*   No. 64CS

PRAYING FOR GOD’S PRESENCE

### Praising God

\*SINGING OUR PRAISE   *“O God, your constant care”*   No. 481

\*GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND DEDICATING THEM

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

**Historic Tours coming:** On Saturday and Sunday Sept. 25 and 26, there will be historic tours of the Goessel community sponsored by the Marion Co. Economic Development Council. Tours are titled "Secrets of Goessel.+ Tour leader will be Brian Stucky. Saturday tours: 1-3 p.m. and repeated at 3:30-5:30 p.m. and will go on a 2-hour, 50 mile tour. Cost will be \$10. Sunday tours: 3:00 p.m. and repeated at 4:00 and 5:00, about 30 minutes and will go in the town of Goessel. Cost will be \$5. Come to the South Bloomfield School 15 minutes early to pay and sign a form. Minimum of 7 riders or tour time slot will be cancelled. Call 620-367-2610 or email [bnstucky@mtelco.net](mailto:bnstucky@mtelco.net) to reserve a spot.

**Story Time at the Western District Conference Resource Library** in N. Newton is about to begin and we're looking forward to seeing those smiling preschoolers come bounding through the library doors! Each week focuses on a theme that is carried out through stories, finger plays, songs, and creative activities. Our hope is that each child will be encouraged as he/she grows and learns about our world. Story Time happens on Wednesday mornings, Sept. 15 - Dec. 8, 10:00 - 10:40 a.m. Please enroll your 3-5 year old by calling Marlene or Pat at the library - 316-283-6300.

**Third Way Media** (formerly Mennonite Media) is encouraging congregations and individuals to join in a world wide prayer for peace day, September 21. It is organized through Odyssey Networks, a Third Way Media partner in funding and producing media projects. Find a link on the home page at [www.ThirdWayCafe.com](http://www.ThirdWayCafe.com) or go to [www.AMillionMinutesForPeace.org](http://www.AMillionMinutesForPeace.org) to sign the pledge. We invite you to share what you or others are doing in homes, neighborhoods, cities and the world to work toward peace on Third Way Café's Facebook page.

**Hope Mennonite Church**, Wichita is celebrating its 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary on October 2 & 3. There will be a number of events on Saturday, October 2 culminating with our anniversary worship service on Sunday beginning at 9:30 am. You are invited to join us as we celebrate our past and look forward to God's continued faithfulness. For information regarding the weekend, please visit our website at [www.hopemennonite.com](http://www.hopemennonite.com)

**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.

#### On the Bulletin Boards:

- ★ Newsletter from **Mission Partners** Joe and Anna Sawatzky.
- ★ **Worship Arts Training:** Laurelville Menn, Sept. 24-26.
- ★ **Women's Girls Retreat** at Camp Mennoscah Sept. 10-12.
- ★ **MCC Flatlander Bicycle Ride**, Sept. 18
- ★ **3-D Jesus** coming to Hesston College Oct. 29-31.
- ★ **MCC and MDS** updates.

**The two-year-old Sunday School class** needs some supplies as we create a space for the children to make connections with God. Needed items include: large pillows; clear plastic bottles with screw-on lids; fabric in a variety of textures, sizes, and colors; baskets in a variety of sizes; and homemade play dough (recipe provided). Please talk to Terah Goerzen for specific details before donating. Thank you!

**Is this your passion?** The Worship-Fellowship Committee is looking for a technology team made up of 3-4 persons who have an interest in working with computers and other forms of current technology. These team members would be on a rotating Sunday schedule. Responsibilities would include: maintaining and upgrading equipment; setting up equipment and operating it (i.e. when assisting the pastor or any presenter who has a power point presentation); be available to post items on the church website. If you have a desire to assist Tabor Church by using your gifts in this way, please contact Pastor Corey or Shelley Buller.

**Join the Goessel Area Crop Walk** on October 3. Pick up your CROP Walk Envelope today from Kevin Nickel. When you pick up an envelope, let the recruiter know what size t-shirt you would like to have. We need the sizes by September 12 so we can order the t-shirts for the walk. Get the size you want by putting your order in NOW.

If your business wants to have your logo and name on the t-shirt, please get the money to Denise Nickel by Wednesday, September 8 in the Tabor Church mailbox or P.O. Box 173, Goessel.

Jacinta Monteiro, 15, wants to stay in school and can, thanks in part to CWS or MCC. She and her classmates also learn how to grow vegetables for their families. When donating to the CROP Walk you can help make this possible. Make your check payable to MCC or CWS and it will go to the organization of your choice.

**Shuttle drivers are again needed** for the State Fair on Sept. 16. The State Fair makes a donation to MCC when we provide this service. See Kris and Archie Schmidt or Jerry and Leann Toews **TODAY** if you can help.

**Roofing Blitz:** The May hailstorm last year caused damage to 15 of our buildings and we need to reroof them. We will be roofing on the following days: September 17-19 and October 7-10. Call us if other dates work for you. Grab a group of friends and join us for whatever time you can fit into your schedule. (Bring your favorite games for evening free times!) We provide meals and lodging, but PLEASE let us know that you're coming.

**Work & Play Camp** is September 19-23 and we're ready for some fun. This camp is for anyone with a bit of free time and a willing spirit. Folks will spend some time working on camp projects and cleaning, and some time taking breaks, chatting, playing games, and enjoying Camp Mennoscah in fall. See the brochure at [www.mennowdc.org](http://www.mennowdc.org) in the Coming Events section or contact Camp Mennoscah at [campmno@mennowdc.org](mailto:campmno@mennowdc.org) or 620-297-3290 for more information.

## Proclaiming God's Word

CHILDREN'S STORY Corey Miller

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

SPECIAL MUSIC *"Indescribable"* Venita Schroeder

SERMON *"The Dawning of Identity"* Karen Andres  
Luke 2:41-50

## Responding to the Spirit

DEDICATION OF TEACHERS Ilona Abrahams, Karen Andres

RESPONSE HYMN *"Teach me thy truth"* No. 548

SHARING and CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

### Sending

\*SENDING HYMN *"Go now in peace"* No. 429

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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## Today

Jesus found his true identity in the love of God as he sought out the tasks his Father had set for him. As we celebrate those who have been called to teach, we recognize that they are instrumental in passing on the faith and helping us find our true identity. May we all find ways to keep passing it on!



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

### Today Continued

We are so glad you have joined us to worship. This morning you were greeted by Carol Duerksen and Maynard Knepp and Carrie and Lewis Unruh. *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 Nancy Schroeder during the worship service.

**Today is Christian Education Sunday.** Those serving on the Education Committee are: Ilona Abrahams, Terah Goerzen, Jill Brandt, Elaine Unruh, Sharleen Francis, Vickie Schmidt, Lois Voth, Kent Jantz, Lester Voth, Brenda Buller and Pastor Karen.

**10:45 a.m.—**Sunday School for everyone. **Adults** meet with your respective classes. **Jr. Dept. SS:** Children, ages 3-Grade 8, will meet in the downstairs south SS rooms during the SS hour. **Teachers** of those grades are invited to an orientation in the south balcony room during this time. **Childcare** will be provided in the nursery.

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.

**TODAY, we invite you to share your Worship/Fellowship gifts, talents and abilities with Tabor!** Over the past two weeks, you have been invited to prayerfully reflect on how you may help the ministries of the Worship/Fellowship Commission and/or the office of deacon. We trust that you have felt God's leading and the community's discernment in filling out your commitment sheet. We joyfully receive it this morning. There are extra brochures in the foyer in case you forgot. Place forms in the box in the foyer.

## This Week

### Tuesday, September 7

Because of Labor Day, work at the MCC Center will be Tuesday at 1 pm. There is work for everyone. Please sign up on the bulletin board today.

**12:00 p.m.—**Hesston Lunch Bunch

**7:30 p.m.—** Trustee Meeting

### Wednesday, September 8

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

**7:00 p.m.—**Faithful Fitness exercise group.  
TMYF Kickoff

**Friday, September 10-Sunday, September 12**  
**Women's retreat at Camp Mennoscah**

## Next Sunday, September 12

**9:30 a.m.—Worship:** The theme for our time of worship is *Finding Lost Sheep.* The texts are Jeremiah 4:11-12, Psalm 14, I Timothy 1:12-17 and Luke 15:1-10 and Corey will be preaching.

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

## Prayer Requests

Remember to pray for:

- ★ The children who received Bibles today. May God's spirit continue to grow in them as they learn God's Word and follow Jesus in their lives.
- ★ Healing for those who are recovering from physical, emotional or spiritual pain.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for Terry Rediger who will be installed as pastor of Turpin (OK) Mennonite Church today.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: For Angela and Tomoki Yamanaka in Hokkaido, Japan, August was filled with children's camps, concerts and special events. Pray that seeds planted during this month will bear an eternal harvest.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for new students at Bethel College looking for a church community, and for the local congregations who will be welcoming them this morning. Pray also for Bethel students, especially first-time freshmen and transfers, as they finish their first week of classes and hear the new president, Dr. Perry White, address the campus community in convocation tomorrow morning.
- ★ The United Nations' International Day of Peace - marked every year on September 21 - is a global holiday that highlights efforts to end conflict and promote peace. Established by U.N. resolution in 1982, "Peace Day" has grown to include millions of people around the world who participate in all kinds of events, large and small.

## Announcements

**Willing Helpers:** Meeting Sept. 15. Work day, roll call "What do you think of when you eat fresh garden vegetables and drink water?", Elma Goertz will share about the "100-mile Diet". Bring a salad for the noon meal. All ladies are invited to come for a fun day!

**Mentors and Youth:** Party! Sunday Sept. 19, noon, at John and Elaine Unruh's. Please RSVP to Carol.