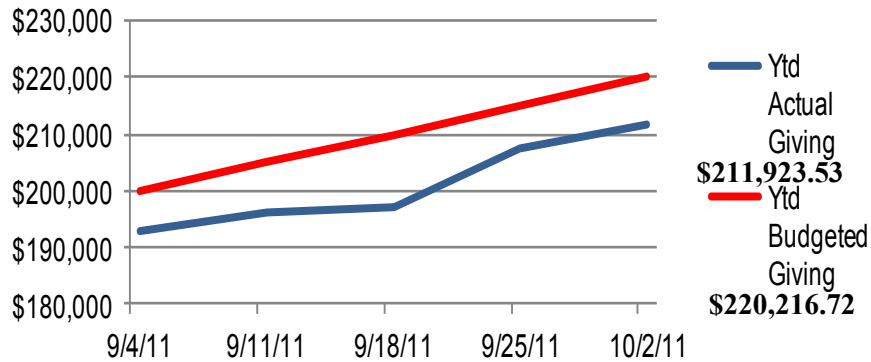


Tabor Annual Giving through 10-2-11



Quote from some wise folks
Just do it.

Just give. Just watch us meet our budget when everyone gives just something. We can do it.

Reminder: Budget Workshop October 11, 7:00 p.m.
Your input is wanted and welcomed.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE October 2, 2011

Offering = \$ 4,367.25	Attendance = 139
Adult S.S. = \$ 50.70	Attendance = 63
Jr. S.S. = \$ 8.73	Attendance = 14

Peace

“There are things we see with our eyes, sitting high and looking out. And there are things we see with our hearts, sitting still and looking in.”

-Philip Gulley, pastor, author



God's People on a Journey

The Promised Land

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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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“The Promised Land: Nachfolge and Gelassenheit”

Gathering for Worship

PRELUDE Cross Road

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader, Warren Schmidt

*HYMN No. 8
“Brethren, we have met to worship”

Praising God

PRAYER

*HYMN No. 592
“Love divine, all loves excelling”

*GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS and DEDICATING THEM

Listening to God’s Word

CHILDREN’S FOCUS Ilona Abrahams

WORSHIP MUSIC Sharleen Francis

SCRIPTURE Doug Krehbiel
Romans 12:1-2, Philippians 2:5-8

SERMON June Thomsen
“The Promised Land: Nachfolge and Gelassenheit”

Responding to God’s Word

SILENT REFLECTION

HYMN No. 514
“Lord, I am fondly, earnestly”

SHARING and CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum: Kauffman Museum at Bethel College, October 16, 3:30 pm. Karen Ross Epp, retired Newton art teacher, will present "Sharing the Things He Carried: Vietnam Letters from My Brother." Epp's talk will be based on the experiences of her brother, Stanley D. Ross of Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, whose life and death are recounted in her book "With Love, Stan."

Inspiration for the MCC Relief Sale: October 18, 7pm Hesston Mennonite Church 309 S. Main, Hesston, KS: The Quilters Corner and Quilt Committees of the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale invite women of all ages to an evening of information and entertainment featuring Dava Carrell of Winfield. She will be speaking on "What to do with your Leftovers" and showing many quilts she has made. Dava bought 1 1/2" strips of Aunt Graces material last year at Quilters' Corner and will be showing us how she put a quilt together using the leftover strips. Dava is a long time quilter who has taught classes, lectured extensively as well as judging at the Kansas State Fair. Bring a friend and come prepared to get excited about making quilts, etc. for our MCC Sale.

On the Bulletin Boards:

- ★ All interested women are invited to a **Women’s Gathering about Leadership and the Church** Oct. 27, First Mennonite Church, Newton.
- ★ **Dyck Arboretum:** Sunday, October 23, 4:30 pm, first concert of the 2011-2012 Prairie Window Concert Series.
- ★ Shirley Sprunger King **organ recital** at the Bethel College Mennonite Church, October 16, 3:30 p.m. Recital is the fourth in a series celebrating the 50th anniversary of the BCMC Moeller pipe organ.

Pastor June’s Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 1:00- 4:00.

Please call before coming, as June may be out visiting.

Please add the following information to your church directory:

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Announcements

Opportunity for Service: Several of our Tabor congregation who are residents of the Kidron-Bethel Retirement Center would like to worship here on Sunday mornings. If you would be able to take a turn picking them up and/or taking them back after worship, please speak to June or Kim ASAP.

Communion for all: If you are aware of a home bound person who would like to receive communion, please contact a pastor or deacon.

Options for a visit with Pastor June. Thanks to those of you who have already indicated to spend a little time with me (no more than an hour) in one place or another. These opportunities will continue through November, or until we run out of people. Here are the possibilities:

Home Visits - please sign up for a convenient time on the schedules next to the pastor's office door, or make an appointment with June.

Meet somewhere for coffee - same as above.

Meet with several others - This happens on Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour in the pastor's office.

Wednesday evenings there will also be an opportunity for a group setting after the fellowship meal.

Regardless of your choice, these are one-time meetings for the purpose of helping us get acquainted and helping me understand the church. Thanks for your help! -Pastor June

Getting Beyond them and Us—to We. A conference about being faithful to a radical way of life and inviting others to join that life. Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series, Hesston College, October 28-30. Visit us on the web at <http://hesston.edu/AVDS> or see posted information on the bulletin board. Early registration deadline has been extended. *Call or email the church office if you are planning to attend.* **The deacons are offering 3 scholarships in the amount of \$85 per person to attend the AVDS conference at Hesston College. The conference begins Friday evening, October 28, and concludes on Sunday morning, October 30. Please contact Kim Funk as soon as possible to receive this scholarship, which will be given on a first come first served basis.**

A Sister Care Seminar: Do you sometimes experience "overcare" in place of life-giving caring for other? Then you need to attend the Sister Care Seminar: Equipping Women for Caring Ministry to take place Nov. 11-12 at Hesston Mennonite church. (see details on reg. form) The seminar will deal with Caring for self and others, Compassionate listening, and Transforming loss and grief. **Please note that Willing Helpers will pay \$10 registration of any Tabor women who would like to attend (you do not need to be a member of Willing Helpers).** Registration forms are on the bulletin board. Turn forms in with \$35 to Denise Nickel's box and she will send in along with WH contribution.

We Go Into the World

*HYMN

"Come, come ye saints"

No. 425

*BENEDICTION

Ephesians 3:20-21

*POSTLUDE

Today

Today we consider yet another identifying mark of the People of God: People of God have a destination toward which they are traveling. What are your spiritual goals? What are the spiritual goals of this congregation? How will we know when we "arrive"?

We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Carrie and Lewis Unruh and Harlin and Doris Unruh

Please note the friendship cards in the songbook holders. A special welcome is extended to all visitors. Visitors are invited to fill out the back of the friendship card and place it in the offering bag.

Childcare is provided by Sharleen Francis in the nursery during the worship service.

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

Conversation Circles continue during the Sunday School hour. Please sign up on Pastor June's door for these one-time meetings of six people plus Pastor June. The conversation questions are on the sign-up list.

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.

Wilma Schmidt's submission of art work was chosen to be displayed in the new Mennonite Church USA Elkhart office building. The wall hanging on the entry bulletin board in the foyer shows God' beautiful creation of the Kansas Flint Hills in Spring.



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

Wednesday Evenings at Tabor - JOIN US!

5:45-6:30 p.m.	Supper
6:30-7:15 p.m.	Children of Light Choir (grades 1-8) Faith Friends/Sonbeams (ages 3-grade K) Adults Conversation Circles
7:00-8:00 p.m.	Youth Group
7:15-8:15 p.m.	Faith Adventures (grades 1-5) Youth Explorers (grades 6-8)
7:15-8:00 p.m.	Worship Team & Crossroad practice Faithful Fitness
8:00-9:00 p.m.	Adult Choir

This Week

Tuesday, October 11

7:00 p.m.—Budget Workshop. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

Wednesday, October 12

Wednesday Evening programming. *Sign up on bulletin board for meal.*

Menu: Quick Verneke Casserole, roll, fresh veggies, and fresh fruit

Faith Adventure and Youth Explorers: Reminder - If you have a child in Faith Explorers or Faith Adventures, they should have received a transportation/health release form this past Wednesday evening. Please sign and return this form as soon as possible to their leaders. Thank you!

5:30-6:30 pm—Advent planning

Next Sunday, October 16

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday we welcome Jim Schrag to the pulpit. Focus: “The Nature of the Missional Church”.

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

12:00 noon—Potluck meal. Everyone is invited. Come and fellowship together and spend some time visiting with Jim and Judy Schrag.

7:00 p.m.—A service of pastoral ordination will be held for Peter and Katherine Goerzen next Sunday evening, October 16 at Grace Hill Mennonite Church, where they are both pastors. Peter grew up attending Tabor Church and is the son of Les and Cynthia Goerzen, and brother of John and James Goerzen. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Prayer Requests

Happenings:

- ★ Wednesday Evening Activities got off to a great start on October 5. If you couldn't make it last week, don't miss out - come this week!
- ★ The Trustees and landscape committee have been busy in the park working with improvements and putting in a new fire pit.
- ★ *Caring Quilt Locations:* The Caring Quilt and Children's Caring Quilt are home.

Remember to pray for:

- ★ The budget workshop on Tuesday as we work to determine funding for ministries in our next fiscal year.
- ★ Wednesday evening activities which began last week.
- ★ Mission Partners Joe and Anna Sawatzky and their family. New prayer cards were received and can be picked up from the rack on the table in the foyer.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray God's blessing for Pastor Jerry Acosta who is being installed as the church planter for Manos de Cristo (Hands of Christ) Iglesia Menonita, Wichita, KS. The service will be at 7 pm at Hope Mennonite Church in Wichita.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for the Mennonite Church in Brazil and its mission agency, *Junta Menonita de Missões Internacionais* (JMIMI), as members share the good news of Jesus' love both within the country and internationally in Albania and Mozambique. Mennonite Mission Network partners with the Brazilian Mennonites.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for participants in today's workshop at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, “Difficult issues—Congregational discernment—Faithful living” with Jack Suderman as presenter, exploring dynamics of agreeing and disagreeing in congregational life.