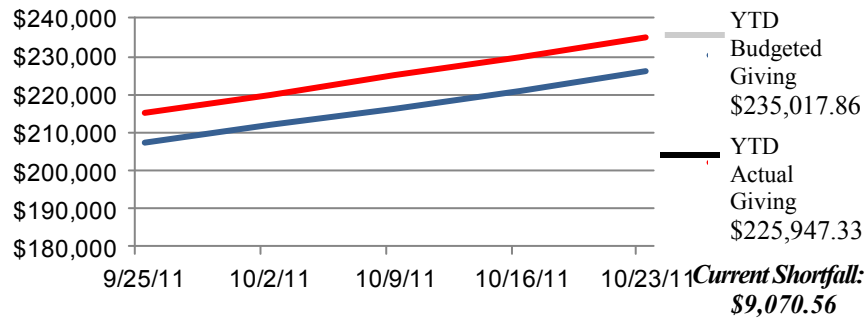


Tabor Annual Giving through 10-23-11



Quote from some wise folks
Money talks.

Let your money say 'yes' to fulfilling the financial goals
in support of Tabor's ministries.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE October 23, 2011

Offering	= \$ 5,157.05	Attendance	= 237
Adult S.S.	= \$ 71.25	Attendance	= 75
Jr. S.S.	= \$ 8.04	Attendance	= 18

Peace

"O Father, I long to become so harmonized with you
that my life becomes an example of harmony to others.
Make me a peaceful and peaceable person.
For Jesus' sake, Amen"

—Shelwyn Hughs *Every Day Light*



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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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Tabor Mennonite Church seeks to respond to God's call

- ♦by extending hospitality and acceptance to all people,
- ♦by offering healing through our risen Lord, and
- ♦by giving hope to all through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Gathering

PRELUDE Deloris Schmidt

INTRIOT Adult Choir
"Fill now our life, O Lord"

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader, Warren Schmidt
Leader: We come together as the church of Jesus Christ,
recognizing that our Lord lived and died,
not just for the church, but for all people.

People: For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.

Leader: We also recognize that in God's great love,
we sense our need first to be loved
and thus to be turned around,
to face the needs of others.

People: We love because God first loved us.

Leader: Let us love, then, so that we may be free of selfish desires,
liberated to strive for God's will.

**People: Whatever we do to the least of God's family,
that we do to our Lord.**

HYMN No. 6
"Here in this place"

Praising

PRAYER

*HYMN No. 12
"Come, let us all unite to sing"

*GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

First Ever Reading and Coffee Cake Day at the Conference Resource Library. Thursday, November 5. 8am - ? Read, relax, meet friends, and share coffeecake at 10 a.m. Please RSVP to Marlene Bogard: criib@mennowdc.org or 316-283-6300.

Think, Celebrate, Sing – A Worship and the Arts Symposium, centered on the Psalms, will take place on the Bethel College campus Saturday, Nov. 19. Resource people: Thomas G. Long, professor of preaching at Emory University, and John Ferguson, professor of organ and church music at St. Olaf College. Hymn festival at 7:30 p.m. in Memorial Hall. Presentation by Martha Yoder, pastor of West Union Mennonite Church, Parnell, Iowa, on her artwork based on the book of Revelation, Sunday afternoon. For details regarding times, locations and registration fees, see complete announcement on the bulletin board. **The Saturday evening hymn festival and Sunday afternoon art lecture are free and open to the public.**

On the Bulletin Boards:

- ★ Article from MCC about the **Meat Canner and Jason Unruh.**
- ★ **"Celebration of Hope"** Dinner and Theater to benefit the **Harvey County Homeless Shelter** Dec. 1 & 2, Hesston Mennonite Church.
- ★ **Rally for Repeal of the Death Penalty:** 1:15-4 pm, Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Wichita State University Metroplex. Details are posted.

New in November

Beginning this month we will be trying out a new communication model for our church publications. To save on paper and printing costs, (let's go green!) we will email the monthly newsletter, church council minutes and other publications and place printed copies in mailboxes of those without email. Additional copies will be available in the foyer. *If you have email but find you do not receive the emailed publications, please contact the church office to update your listing.*

Also beginning in November the bulletin will be devoted largely to Tabor happenings and events. Conference and community related announcements will be published apart from the bulletin and emailed to those who are in our email address book. Those individuals without email will receive a copy of the announcements in their mailboxes on Sunday mornings.

This new model has been discussed at staff meeting and your feedback is welcome.

Annual Congregational Meeting: Plan to attend Tabor's annual meeting on November 13. Begin by supporting the Mennonite College Task Force at the noon fundraiser meal. At 12:45 attend the meeting at which time the 2012 budget will be presented, affirmation of individuals to serve in Tabor ministries will take place and constitutional changes will be adopted. The document with the constitutional changes is posted in the foyer and was either emailed to you or can be found in mailboxes this morning for those without email access. Additional copies are on the table in the foyer.

The Tabor Church Mennonite Men's Annual Chicken BBQ will take place on Thursday November 3rd, 5:00-7:00pm, at Tabor Church. Come enjoy our special chicken recipe with delicious sides and ice cream bars for dessert. Donations will go to the Goessel Ministerial Alliance and the MCC Meat Canner. Men can sign up for shifts on the bulletin board.

MCC Meat Canner: Sign up to help with meat canning on November 7 and 8. Donations for meat may be left in the meat canning semi in the foyer. ;) Make checks payable to Tabor Mennonite Church; earmark MCC meat canning.

A Sister Care Seminar: Early registration deadline for Sister Care on Nov. 11-12 at Hesston Mennonite Church is tomorrow October 31. Willing Helpers will pay \$10 registration of any Tabor women who would like to attend. Registration forms are on the bulletin board. Turn forms in with \$35 to Denise Nickel's box and she will send in registrations with full payments.

Giving Tree: The Goessel Ministerial Alliance is excited to announce that the Christmas Giving Tree project will be happening again this year. The tree will be at Crossroads Credit Union this year. Watch your mailbox for details on how you can help make it a great Christmas for children in our community.

Grief and loss support group: Second Tuesday of each month, 1-2 pm in the Butterfly Lane Room at Bethesda in Goessel. These meetings are free and open to the public, and are sponsored by Bethesda Home and Good Shepherd Hospice.

Bethesda Home Pillars Banquet will be Sunday, November 6 at the new Meridian Conference Center in Newton, KS. The evening will start with an informal social time at 6:00 pm., and dinner at 6:30. Entertainment will be provided by the singing group Hearts 4 Him. This is Bethesda Home's single largest fundraising event of the year, and we would love for you to help support our ministry by attending. Call the Bethesda Home office at 620-367-2291, or talk to Eileen Schmidt or John Goerzen, Bethesda Board Members to reserve your seat. Tickets are \$150 – and \$25 for High School age and younger. Deadline for registering is TODAY.

Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus, 2012: Register now to join the chorus for the 2012 season. Registration forms are on the bulletin board. Contact Donavon Schmidt for more information.

Proclaiming

ANTHEM *"One Faith, One Hope, One Lord"* -Craig Courtney Adult Choir
Trumpet: Nick Schroeder

CHILDREN'S FOCUS Diane Unruh

SERMON *"Hospitality - Art and Science"* June Thomsen
Luke 10:38-42; John 15; I John 4:7-11

Responding

SILENT REFLECTION

HYMN *"Help us to help each other"* No. 362

SHARING and CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Sending

*HYMN *"Renew your church"* No. 363

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Today

Today's service is focused on the first part of Tabor's mission statement: hospitality and acceptance to all people. How have you experienced God's hospitality? How have you shown hospitality to others? Who is welcome in this church? Who is unwelcome?

We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Bob and Erlene Unruh and Richard Drake and Kathy Schroeder.



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

Today Continued

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 Kristi Unruh in the nursery during the worship service.

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

Jason Unruh will share about his recent trip to Haiti. All youth and adults are invited to this special presentation in the Fellowship Hall. All college-age people are invited to Les and Cynthia Goerzen's home right after the church service for devotions and visiting, followed by lunch. Or, college students are welcome to stay to hear Jason Unruh and go to lunch at Les and Cynthia's following.

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.

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-Kindergarten) 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, November 1

7:00 p.m.—Deacon's meeting.

7:30 p.m.—Trustee meeting.

Wednesday, November 2

Wednesday Evening programming. Sign up on bulletin board for meal. Please sign up in the foyer to help cook, serve or cleanup following a meal.

Thursday, November 3

12:00 p.m.—Newton Lunch Bunch

5:00-7:00 p.m.—Mennonite Men's Chicken BBQ



Daylight Savings Time ends next Sunday, November 6. Set your clocks back 1 hour Saturday night.

Next Sunday, November 6

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday we will continue to think about how our mission statement guides our household and corporate lives. The theme will be "Hope" and the scripture is Romans 15:13. Pastor June will be preaching.

The yellow and green sheets distributed recently through mailboxes are meant to provoke thinking about our mission statement's influence within households and congregational work. Please return them to my box as soon as possible. Thanks – June

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

Prayer Requests

The following items were shared last Sunday, October 23.

★ We remembered the people of eastern Turkey, suffering from an earthquake.

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for the WDC Conference Minister and Staff, located in Kansas, Oklahoma and Texas, as they seek to sustain transformational pastors, resource healthy missional churches, and nurture Anabaptist church planting partnerships.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Mark and Mary Hurst serve as resource people with the Anabaptist Association of Australia and New Zealand, a MMN partner. One of their ministries is through peace film discussions in months with five Sundays. Pray that viewers of tonight's film will learn more about Jesus' love and how to share it.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Pray for Instituto Biblico Anabautista (IBA) Study Center at Cristiana Ebenezer Menn. Church in Apopka, Fla. Pray for the students as they study their first course, "Intro. to the Old Testament 1." May God grant wisdom and patience to their tutor, Dr. Nuñez, as he leads .

Announcements

Thanks to all who have spent time helping me become better acquainted. Remaining possibilities include Sunday morning, November 6 and 30; Wednesday evening, November 9, 16 and 30, or other times by appointment. Cell: [316-239-0106](tel:316-239-0106) Home: [316-283-0106](tel:316-283-0106). -Pastor June