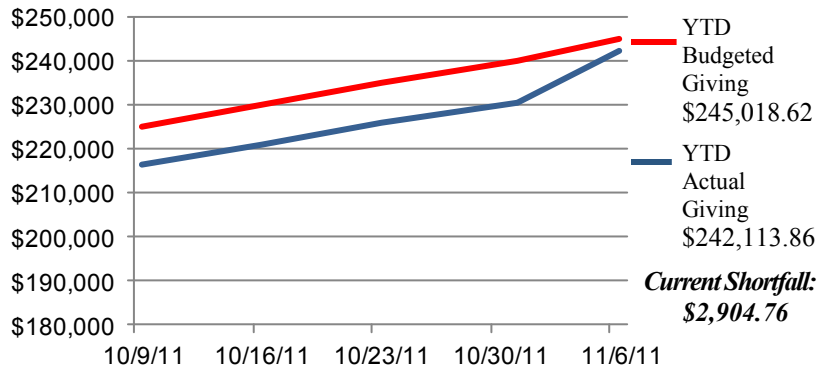


Tabor Annual Giving through 11-06-11



Contributions needed by November 30 to meet budget: \$17,906.14



Let's make it happen!

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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 Adult Worship Team

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP *Psalm 100:1-5* No. 821
Worship Leader, Elaine Schroeder

*GATHERING HYMN *"I will enter his gates"* No. 64CS

Praising

*PRAYER

*PRAISING HYMN *"How great thou art"* No. 9CS

*GREETING ONE ANOTHER and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS *"Psalm of Hope"* -Felix Goebel-Komala

Proclaiming

WORSHIP MUSIC *"With One Heart"* -Mark Patterson Children of Light
Mark Schmidt, flute

CHILDREN'S FOCUS Gayle Funk

SERMON *"Hope"* June Thomsen
*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,
so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*
-Romans 15:13

Krista Graber to share: Everyone from Tabor (women and men) are invited to the Monday, November 21, 7:00 p.m. Willing Helpers program. Krista Graber will share about her experiences in Central America: The Global Family.

Save the Date: Christmas Carol Sing at Tabor on December 11 from 4-5pm.

Giving Tree: The Goessel Ministerial Alliance Christmas Giving Tree project is happening again this year. The tree will be at Crossroads Credit Union. Details on how you can help make it a great Christmas for children in our community were in mailboxes and information is posted on the bulletin board.

Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus, 2012: Now is the time to enroll in the Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus. A special invitation is given to men of high school age and older who have never sung or used to sing in KMMC. Check the information posted on the bulletin board in the foyer or visit with Donavon Schmidt, Tabor's contact man for KMMC. Currently Tabor has 7 singers in the chorus. A church our size could have twice that many singing! Our motto, "We Sing That Others May Live" is our reason for singing. KMMC is a part of MCC and the Mid-Kansas Relief Sale. You are invited to join the experience!


November News: Because of the Thanksgiving holiday, Kim will be working on the newsletter earlier than usual this month and would appreciate newsletter submissions by November 16. Thanks!!

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE			
November 6, 2011			
Offering	= \$ 11,438.50	Attendance	= 187
Adult S.S.	= \$ 45.55	Attendance	= 69
Jr. S.S.	= \$ 13.53	Attendance	= 19

Peace

"You can have this world's peace and enjoy it provided you shut your eyes to the future and shut the gates of the soul to yesterday. The peace that Jesus gives is precisely the opposite. It throws back the gates of yesterday showing sins forgiven. And as for tomorrow, it opens its gates and shows the future radiant with promised grace and with the sure hope of seeing His face."

--Patricia St. John, missionary, author



New this Month

In November we are trying out a new communication model for our church publications. To save on paper and printing costs, (let's go green!) we are emailing the monthly newsletter, church council minutes and other publications and placing printed copies in mailboxes of those without email. Additional copies are 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 in November the bulletin is devoted largely to Tabor happenings and events. Conference and community related announcements are published apart from the bulletin and emailed to those who are in our email address book. Those individuals without email receive a copy of the announcements in their mailboxes on Sunday mornings.

Your feedback using this new model is welcome.

Announcements

Deacon Ministry: After spending time with a number of persons exploring the possibility of being a deacon at Tabor, the deacons invited Denise Nickel to this role, and she accepted. Denise brings wonderful gifts of hospitality and caring for Tabor members and for outreach into the community, and we welcome her to this ministry.

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

-Pastor June

Thanksgiving Service: On Wednesday, November 23, we will be having a soup supper provided by the reception committee at 6:00 p.m. and then a short Thanksgiving service following at 7:00. Come and enjoy a good meal and good fellowship. The offering for the evening will go to support our Mission Partners, Joe and Anna Sawatzky, serving in South Africa. There will be no regular activities except adult choir, which will meet immediately following the service. *Please sign up on the bulletin board for the meal and there is also opportunity to sign up to make bread—10 loaves are needed.*

Wednesday Evening Bible Study: Pastor June is willing to lead a Bible Study on Wednesday nights, 6:30 – 7:30 on “Untold Stories of Advent” November 30 through January 4, if there is interest. Please speak to her or sign up on her door if you would like to participate.

Responding

SILENT REFLECTION

HYMN OF RESPONSE *“My hope is built on nothing less”* vv. 1, 5 No. 343

SHARING and CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Sending

*SENDING HYMN *“God of the Bible”* No. 167CS

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Today

Today is the third of three worship services focused on the Tabor Mission Statement. For some people hope is a wishy-washy ambiguous sort of thing. For Christians hope is not so much a verb as a noun - something of substance - because of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Carol Duerksen and Maynard Knepp and Dora and Charles 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 Carrie Friesen in the nursery during the worship service.

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



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

Today Continued

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.

12:00 p.m.— Please join the Mennonite College Task Force in the fellowship hall for a taco bar & dessert fund raiser for our Mennonite College students. You are supporting these students with \$950 each semester: Claire Unruh, Kristin Unruh, Michelle Unruh, James Goerzen, Brittany Dirksen, Hayden Goerzen, Leah Unruh, Kathleen Bair. Thank you for your donations!

12:45 p.m.—**Annual Congregational Meeting:** 2012 budget will be presented, affirmation of individuals to serve in Tabor ministries will take place and constitutional changes will be adopted.

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

Wednesday, November 16

Wednesday Evening programming.

Menu: Shepherd's pie, green salad, chocolate sheet cake.

Sign up on bulletin board for meal.

Please sign up in the foyer to help cook, serve or cleanup following a meal.

Saturday, November 19

8:30 a.m.—WDC Reference Council meets at Tabor.

Next Sunday, November 20

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday the topic is "Being Rich Toward God", the scriptures are Luke 12:13-21; Psalm 107:1-9, 43; Hosea 11:1-11; Colossians 3:1-11 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 church service for devotions and visiting, followed by lunch.

Prayer Requests

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Western District Conference: Thank God for the workers of WDC. Pray for God's wisdom and the Spirit's invigoration for the meetings of the Leadership Council, the Executive Board, and the Reference Council around the theme of "Revitalizing our Congregations."
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Dustin and Tiffany Wyse-Fisher, with their children, Miles, 3, and Liam, 1, recently began a two-year MMN assignment as resource persons with the Corrymeela Community in Northern Ireland. Pray for them as they transition to their new home and join in a ministry promoting reconciliation and peace-building.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Give thanks for Rosemary Reschly who retired in October after serving for 23 years as executive assistant for Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary. Thank God for her extraordinary service and ask God to bless her in her retirement.

Remember to praise God for:

- ★ Those individuals in our congregation who will be affirmed at the annual meeting this afternoon to serve in various ministries here at Tabor Mennonite Church.