

Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

April 8 & 9, 2011

%Come Neighbor Share Our Table+

"Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it...And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."
-Hebrew 13:2,16

Junior Ushers collected \$170.26 in the coin cans. FANTASTIC job Tabor. That is a great start.

Fellowship Meal at Tabor in the basement on Sun., March 13 after Sunday School. Signup sheet will be posted when we get closer to the date.

PLEASE everyone help with pre-sale expenses. The expenses to put the sale on are \$90,000. It sounds overwhelming. However, when all the Mennonites in Kansas each give a little, we always seem to cover this before the sale. Please put checks in Kris and Archie Schmidt, or Leann and Jerry Toews mailbox and make checks to: KS MCC Sale.

Quilts and comforters must be turned in by March 10. Quilts turned in late will be held for 2012 sale.

5K walkers/runners will get a FREE hooded sweat shirt if you raise \$250 or more this year. Get entry forms from contact people and return by March 25.

The MCC Sale Board is looking for a SS Class, small group, or individual that would be willing to make 30 gallons of cherry moos before the sale. We have people to sell it at the sale. This is something that could be done in your home or church kitchen. Let your contact persons know if this sounds like fun.

Sermon on the Mount



Living in Peace

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Tabor Mennonite Church

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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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Living in Peace

Gathering

PRELUDE Cross Road

WELCOME Worship Leader, Fred Schmidt

CALL TO WORSHIP *from Ephesians 2*

Leader: Jesus Christ is our peace!

People: Jesus Christ is our peace!

Leader: He has made both groups into one new humanity, thus making peace.

People: Christ came proclaiming peace to you who were far off.

Leader: And peace to those who are near.

People: For through Christ, all of us have access in one Spirit to the Father.

All: Christ is our peace!

INVOCATION

*SINGING OUR PRAISE *"Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing"* No. 110

*GREETING EACH OTHER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS *Coins collected for MCC Relief Sale Penny Challenge*

CHILDREN'S STORY Diane Unruh

OFFERING OUR PRAISE *"I am new"* Bill Froese

Hearing God's Word

HEARING THE GOSPEL *Matthew 5:38-42*

SONG *"Peace before us"* No. 173CS

HEARING THE GOSPEL *Matthew 5:43-48*

SERMON *"Practicing Peace in our Relationships"* Corey Miller

WaShunGa Fundraiser: Please come support our Goessel Area Wide Junior High youth on Feb. 20. They will be serving a sloppy joe lunch here at Tabor at 12pm. This is a fundraiser for the Camp WaShunGa trip in May. 7th & 8th graders bring a dessert of your choice to serve at the meal. We will go bowling afterwards so bring money and your signed consent form.

Mennonite Central Committee in Egypt: MCC has moved its international workers out of Egypt because of the civil unrest. MCC asks that you pray for the safety and well being of its national workers who continue to live in Egypt, that the violence and uncertainty will end soon, and that a just peace will prevail.

Stewardship Opportunities!

Western District Conference, South Central Conference and Everence are hosting two stewardship workshops to help with stewardship practices.

>Personal Finances in Challenging Times, by Ashley Hagelin - Feb. 28, 7-9 p.m. - For persons who are stressed by their present financial patterns and prospects or persons who are working with those who are stressed. For pastors, deacons, and congregational mutual aid leaders.

>Stewardship Strategies for Developing Thriving Congregations, by Beryl Jantz -March 1, 7-9 p.m. - This seminar is for pastors and money managers of the congregation - treasurers, trustees, moderators, and stewardship committees. It will focus on ~~6~~ Six Best Practices for Congregational Stewardship.+

Death Penalty Alert: A vote in the Kansas Senate last year to repeal the death penalty resulted in a 20-20 tie, one vote short of passage. A bill will be introduced in the Kansas House this year. You will be hearing more from your Western District Conference Task Force on the Death Penalty when contacts with legislators are needed. Would your S.S. class or peace and service committee be ready to promote discussion and letter writing when the appeal is made? Our witness can make a difference.

On the Bulletin Boards:

- ★ **Agape Senior Center:** >Potluck supper, Feb. 18, 6pm. Program 7pm.
>Letter from AGAPE detailing services offered and **Need for support.**
- ★ **Camp Mennoscah:** >Information & job opportunity. >Recruiting summer **camp counselors and staff** at Hesston and Bethel colleges Feb. 7-9.
- ★ Donate your old bicycle to **Hvy. Co. Homeless Shelter.** Details posted.
- ★ **Offender/Victim Ministries:** >M-2 orientation Feb. 7
>Men's Singing Opportunity: Prison Art Program choir. Begin Feb. 17.
>Annual meeting Feb. 21, East Height United Methodist, Wichita.
- ★ >Bethel College **Life Enrichment** program begins Feb. 9. See brochure.
>Bethel College **Church Relations Update** is posted.
- ★ **Shane Claiborne** to speak at McPherson College on Feb. 9 & 10. See poster for complete details.
- ★ Seminar: **"Caregiving Journeys"**, First Menn. Newton, Feb 19.
- ★ **Mennonite Central Committee** and **Mennonite Disaster Service** updates.

Announcements

"Stories and Songs of Peace and Hope", a concert featuring internationally-acclaimed baritone Tony Brown will be held here at Tabor Church at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 20th. Brown will share stories from his world travels as a peacemaker through music. The concert is open to the public, though a free-will offering will be received for the Peacing It Together Foundation. A reception will follow. Brown is sociology instructor and artist-in-residence at Hesston College and will be accompanied by music faculty member Ken Rodgers.

Commitment Forms for the Commission on Outreach: Please take time to look over the forms and prayerfully consider how you can become a part of Tabor's outreach ministries. Forms are due in the box in the foyer by Feb. 13.

Directory Updates: Please submit any changes or updates for Tabor's 2011 Directory. Email kfunk@tabormennonite.org, call 367-2318 or place in the secretary's mail box.

Peanut Allergy Alert! We learned recently that one of Tabor's children has a severe peanut allergy. We want to do whatever we can as a church to ensure that there isn't exposure to peanuts or peanut products at Tabor. A "peanut free" sign has been posted on the children's Sunday School door. The Christian Education committee will be processing how we will make our church a safe place.

College Care Package Time! Due to dwindling participation the last couple of years in this mission that our students so much enjoy, the College Task Force has decided to make a change in care package donations for this year. In the past we have asked you to bring a care package for a specific student. This year, just bring items for care packages and the task force will make up a care package for each student. There will be a table inside the front door of the church for easy donation placement. Please leave items . baked goods, purchased treats, etc. on the table by Sunday, Feb. 13 and the task force will be packaging them up later that day. We also invite you to write notes to any of the students and place them on this table also and they will be included in the package.

Harvey County Homeless Shelter: Volunteers are needed to help at the shelter on February 9-15 for evening and night shifts and to prepare and serve meals. Please sign up on the bulletin board. Orientation is required for all volunteers staying for evening and night shifts. Orientation times at the shelter are: Tues. Feb. 8, 6:30pm, Wed. Feb. 16, 10:00 am, Thurs. Feb 24, 6:30pm.

Willing Helpers: Feb. 21, 6:30 p.m. Project Work Night. Meet in fellowship hall.

Responding to God's Call

CONFESSION

SONG OF FAITH *"Dona nobis pacem"* No. 346

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF HOPE *"We are people of God's peace"* No. 407

*BENEDICTION

*Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in all ways.
The Lord be with you all.*

POSTLUDE

Today

In his most famous sermon, Jesus invites followers to let peace rule in their relationships. Whether in marriage, or with neighbors or even enemies, Jesus teaches that a peace-filled response is the way that God intends for us to live. May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts and your relationships today.

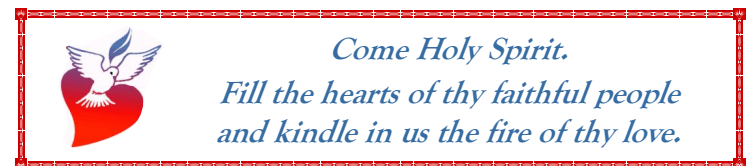
We are so glad you that you are here with us to worship. This morning you were greeted by Kathy Schroeder and Richard Drake. *Please note the friendship cards in the songbook holders. A special welcome is extended to all visitors. Visitors are invited to fill out the back of the friendship card and place it in the offering bag.*

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

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

The 8 week *Naked Anabaptist* book study continues today in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday school hour. We have extra books on hand so feel free to come!

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.



OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE
January 30, 2010

Offering = \$ 3,050.25	Attendance = 162
Adult S.S. = \$ 46.50	Attendance = 89
Jr. S.S. = \$ 11.59	Attendance = 19

This Week

February is “Sermon on the Mount” month (at Tabor): Over the next 4 weeks, we will be reflecting on the Sermon on the Mount. We invite EVERYONE to spend the month of February reading through Matthew 5-7 and praying about its message for us. We look forward to how God’s Spirit will move!

Wednesday, February 9 Full Wednesday night programming

Thursday, February 10

12:00 p.m.—Newton Lunch Bunch at Karen’s Kitchen.

7:00 p.m.—Worship Fellowship Committee meeting.
 Christian Education Committee meeting.

Wednesday Evenings at Tabor

5:45-6:30 - Supper for all. **Sign up for meal. Bring your own table service.**

6:30-7:15 - Children of Light, Faith Friends, Worship Team
 Adult Bible Study: Deb Bergen will be here to answer questions about depression.

7:00-8:00 - TMYF

7:15-8:00 - Cross Road, Faithful Fitness

7:15-8:15 - Faith Adventure, Youth Explorers

8:00-9:00 - Adult Choir



Next Sunday, February 13

9:30 a.m.—Worship: We will continue our series on the Sermon on the Mount. The focus of the morning will be Money and Prayer, the texts are Matthew 6:1-21 and pastor Corey will be preaching.

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

All college-age people are invited to Les and Cynthia Goerzen’s home right after the Tabor Church service for devotions and visiting, followed by lunch.

Prayer Requests

Happenings:

★ *Caring Quilt Locations:* The Caring Quilt and Children’s Caring Quilt are home.

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Pray for the people of Egypt. Pray that God will give them strength during this time of extraordinary uncertainty and fear. Pray for guidance and restraint—for those who are protesting; government leaders; and those who carry the sword. Pray for fairness and basic human rights so that people can live and worship in peace. Pray for the MCC workers who live in Egypt and the Coptic Orthodox Church that gives them community and strength. We are all in God’s hands.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for strong faith, clear vision, and patient endurance for the pastors of Western District Conference.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for the church in Côte d’Ivoire as Christians seek the courage to live God’s way in an ethnically-charged political atmosphere following contested presidential elections two months ago. Martine Audéoud and Gary Wittig with Mennonite Mission Network minister as teachers in this tense situation.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: >Hesston College hosts Mission and Service Day on Feb. 9 with representatives from Mennonite mission and service organizations. Thank God for the good work these organizations do. Pray for the students who will consider mission work after finishing at Hesston. >Pray for the Bethel College students who will report on January interterm experiences in Haiti, Israel/Palestine and Mexico in convocation on Feb. 11.

A Prayer for Peace:

Dear God,
 For all who dream of peace. For all who long for justice.
 Bend your ear to listen and your arm to save.
 For all who faint from hunger. For all who thirst for mercy.
 Give bread and grant freedom from all that binds and oppresses.
 For all whose lives are intertwined with systems that harm - systems that violate, exploit, exclude, objectify, and dominate - inspire a longing for justice and the courage to break free from the powers that oppress.
 Set our feet on the paths of peace, and move our hands to do the work of justice. May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. -Amen

-Written by Titus Peachey, director of peace education for MCC - U.S.

