

Easter Lilies



In Memory of:

- ~Ernest, Henry and Mary Goertz by Elma Goertz
- ~Wendy Goerzen by Tabor Prayer Group
- ~Ernest Bleam, by Lewis Unruh Family
- ~Alice Duerksen by Carol Duerksen and Maynard Knepp,
Gary, Angie, Olivia and Zach Duerksen
- ~Marvin and Dorothy Banman, by Keith and Barb Banman
- ~Melvin Franzen and Lorraine Homewood by Doyle and Nancy Franzen
- ~Dorothy Schmidt, Arnold H. Schmidt, D. Eileen Meyer by the children
of Arnold H. & Dorothy Schmidt
- ~C. Howard and Esther Unruh by John Unruh Family

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

April 17, 2010

Offering	=	\$ 5,838.75	Attendance	=	219
Adult S.S.	=	\$ 62.81	Attendance	=	86
Jr. S.S.	=	\$ 33.45	Attendance	=	19

The Peace of Christ comes at Easter

Easter is not a time for groping through dusty, musty tomes or tombs to disprove spontaneous generation or even to prove life eternal. It is a day to fan the ashes of dead hope, a day to banish doubts and seek the slopes where the sun is rising, to revel in the faith which transports us out of ourselves and the dead past into the vast and inviting unknown.



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Christ is Risen!



**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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“Christ is Risen!” ~ Easter Sunday

We Gather to Praise God

PRELUDE Sara Unruh

INTROIT *“Glorious, Risen Christ!”* Adult Choir
Nancy Schroeder, Jim Schmidt

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader, Rosie Jantz

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made!

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: The God who raised Jesus Christ from the dead raises us
to new life daily.

People: We celebrate the power of love on this Easter Sunday.

Leader: Christ the Lord is Risen!

ALL: Christ the Lord is risen indeed!!

*HYMN OF PRAISE *“Christ the Lord is risen today”* No. 280

*PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE *“Lift your glad voices”* No. 275

*GREETING EACH OTHER AND OFFERING OUR GIFTS

We Hear God’s Word

CHILDREN’S STORY Ilona Abrahams

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE *Acts 10:34-43* Doug Krehbiel

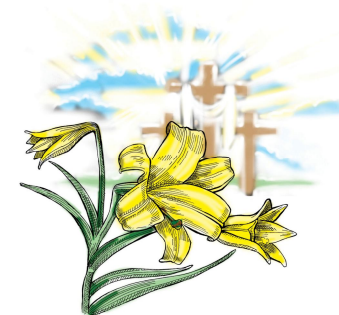
Pittsburgh 2011: This year’s convention theme- **“Bridges to (the) Cross+”** Tabor Mennonite is allowed three delegates. If you are interested in going to Pittsburgh or being a delegate, talk with the deacons or pastors. Register by April 24 to take advantage of discounts.

Circles of Grace is a curriculum endorsed by Western District Conference to educate and empower children and young people to actively participate in a safe environment for themselves and others. Training to teach this curriculum will be held at First Mennonite in Newton on June 18 from 9:00-12:00. Brochures are on the table if you would like to sign up. Anyone is welcome. -Christian Education

Breaking New Ground: A Church Planting Consultation: Friday, May 27 (4 p.m.) . Saturday, May 28 (3 p.m.) at Cambria Suites, 4401 SW 19th St, Oklahoma City, OK. Any member of the Western District Conference who has a heart for developing new churches . for church planters, church planting support committees, sister congregations, pastors, and members who have a desire to be a part of an intentional church planting initiative is invited to this event. We hope to have one representative from every WDC congregation. See brochure and registration form posted on the bulletin board or visit: http://www.mennowdc.org/Church_Planting_Consultation_05_2011.pdf. Registration deadline: May 12.

On the Bulletin Boards:

- ★ **Camp Mennoscah** news and opportunities.
- ★ **Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp:** Transportation information.
- ★ **AMBS Summer Seminary Courses.** Register by May 9.
- ★ **Bethel College Alumni Association** banquet May 21. Details posted.
- ★ **Hesston College:** Listing of upcoming events.
- ★ **Mennonite Central Committee** and **Mennonite Disaster Service** updates.



Announcements

Guess Who's Coming to Dinner? Everyone participating in the Guess Who's Coming to Dinner event should have received a card in your church mailbox revealing your guests or hosts for dinner on Sunday May 1. Please check with your hosts or guests if any special arrangements need to be made. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the quarterly fellowship committee.

Spring work day has been scheduled for May 7 starting at 8:00 am. There are a number of projects, weather permitting, that we wish to tackle in the park and cemetery, also some cleaning and painting in the church building. Please plan on helping however you are able. If you can provide some refreshments for break time, this too is appreciated. A sign-up sheet will be posted in the foyer so we can plan our day. If you have questions or ideas about anything that needs attention with-in our facilities, please talk to one of the trustees. Thanks for your help!

Check your calendars! Tabor's week at the Harvey County Homeless shelter is May 11-17. Please check the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to see how you can help. The shelter is also encouraging churches to donate money the week they are working at the shelter, so let us know if you can help in this way. If you have questions, please talk to Brent or Pam Abrahams.

Camp Mennoscah:

The Early Discount deadline for **summer youth camps** at Camp Mennoscah is May 2. Just fill out your registration form and send it in with your full payment and we'll take \$10 off your camp fees! *All Tabor Jr. and Youth campers will be given a \$50 scholarship from Tabor's Education Committee. Sign up on the bulletin board with your name and dates that you will be attending camp. When registering, mark the box on the form indicating that you are receiving a scholarship and a check will be mailed to Camp Mennoscah.*

A **Camp Mennoscah sing-along** event will take place May 1 from 6:30-8:00 pm at Memorial Hall, Bethel College. Former camp song leaders (Nathan Stucky, Rachel Dirks, Blakely Bunning, Aaron Dyck, Jesse Graber and Doug Krehbiel) will lead us in singing favorite camp songs. This event is for everyone including grandparents, children, youth groups, and families. A free-will offering will take place at the event with proceeds going toward the new swimming pool at camp. Camp-style popcorn and generic pop will be offered following the event. Hope to see you on May 1!

Relief Sale Annual Meeting: If you would like to attend the KS MCC Sale Annual Meeting and Banquet, please RSVP to Jerry and Leann Toews by May 1. Banquet will be held at Bethel Mennonite, Inman, May 10 at 6:30pm. Anyone can attend. Cost is \$10. The financial report will be given and we will present the BIG check to Maynard Knepp for MCC.

SPECIAL MUSIC *"We welcome glad Easter"* Adult Choir

*GOSPEL STORY *John 20:1-18*

SERMON *"A Resurrection Reality Show!"* Corey Miller

Responding

READER'S THEATER *"Mary on Sunday Morning"* Katy Schmidt
Jason Unruh

SPECIAL MUSIC *"Low in the grave he lay"* Cross Road

EASTER AFFIRMATION

Leader: We believe in a bright and amazing God,

People: Who has been to the depths of despair on our behalf;

Leader: Who has risen in splendor and majesty;

**People: Who decorates the universe with sparkling water,
clear white light, twinkling stars and sharp colors,
over and over and over again.**

Leader: We believe that Jesus is the light of the world;

People: That God believes in us and trusts us . . .

Leader: Even when we make the same mistakes over and over
and over again.

People: We commit ourselves to Jesus,

Leader: To one another as brothers and sisters,

People: And to the Maker's resurrection business in the world.

All: Amen!

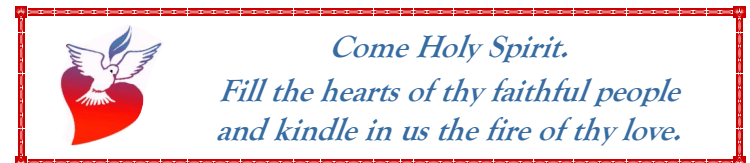
SPECIAL MUSIC *"This joyful Eastertide"* Adult Choir

EASTER PRAYER

*SENDING SONG *"Thine is the glory"* No. 269

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE



Today

Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen indeed! Whatever you have experienced in life and whatever you might be going through right now in this moment, everything can be seen in light of the fact that Christ is risen from the dead and he lives and rules forever.

We have expected you on this Easter morning. May your worship of God fill you with the Spirit of God and may you experience true fellowship in our community this morning. We are so glad you are here with us. This morning you were greeted by Alvin and Wilma Schmidt and Warren, Sheri, Mark and Joshua Schmidt. There is no Sunday School today, but our regular classes will resume next Sunday.

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 Nancy Miller in the nursery during the worship service.

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.

This Week

Monday, April 25

Newsletter items are due.

Tuesday, April 26

12:00 p.m.—Goessel, Peabody, Walton Lunch Bunch. Please sign up.

Pastor Corey will be attending a Pastor/Peer group meeting at the Prairie Oasis Retreat Center on Tuesday all day and Wednesday morning.

Wednesday, April 27

Wednesday night programming

6:30-7:30 - Children of Light, Faithful Fitness

7:00-8:00 - TMYF

Wednesday Night Wellness at Bethel! Everyone is invited to an evening of outdoor activities at Bethel College April 27th, at 6:45 pm. Walk on the nature trail, take your bike on the Sandcreek bike path, play tennis on the brand new courts, or toss around a frisbee. Snacks and drinks provided. Carpool from Tabor at 6:30 pm. Meet in the parking lot East of the tennis courts.

Saturday, April 30

6:30 p.m.—Goessel Area Wide Jr. High (7th & 8th gr.) will enjoy an evening with the Tabor Mennonite high school youth. This fun faith event will be at John & Elaine Unruh's farm. Please bring \$3.00. We promise to feed you and give you food for thought!

Next Sunday, May 1

9:30 a.m.—Worship: Next Sunday begins the season of Easter. The theme for the day is ~~W~~ Doubt and Belief; the texts are Acts 2:14a, 22-32, I Peter 1:3-9 and John 20:19-31 and Pastor Karen will be preaching.

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

Prayer Requests

Happenings:

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

Remember to pray for:

- ★ resurrection power to help us Rise with Christ.
- ★ Easter joy that can help bring Christ's perspective to our lives and faith.
- ★ our families who have experienced a joy-filled week of welcoming new children into their homes.
- ★ Western District Conference: Praise God for resurrection life. Pray that the resurrection life of Jesus would flow through our congregations to the hurting and seeking persons of our communities.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Linda Oyer of MMN has ministered from a base in Paris, France, for more than two decades. Linda writes, teaches, preaches and facilitates contemplative spirituality and spiritual direction throughout French-speaking Europe. Pray for wisdom and strength to continue her ministry, and healing for her eyes.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: The spring semester draws to a close this week at Goshen College. Give thanks for the class of 2011, and pray for the next stage of their life and faith journeys.