

Life Enrichment program at Bethel College for the fall semester begins on August 31. Brochures are posted on the bulletin board.

Blood Mobile will be at Goessel Church between 2:00-6:00 on Monday, August 29. All donors can think of themselves as winners for saving someone's life. In addition, there is the Summer Drive Sweepstakes. Everyone who donates will be entered to win either a \$250 gas card (one winner each week statewide) or a new car (one winner nationwide this summer). Another way to contribute is to sign up to make a Jell-O or work at the drive. Thanks for your continuous support as the drives occur every 56 days to supply the constant need for blood.

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

August 14, 2011

Offering	=	\$ 2,385.85	Attendance	=	148
Adult S.S.	=	\$ 24.25	Attendance	=	73
Jr. S.S.	=	\$ 4.26	Attendance	=	8

Living out Peace in our lives:

"Jesus understood the difficulty inherent in the act of loving one's enemy . . . He realized that every genuine expression of love grows out of a consistent and total surrender to God."



--Martin Luther King, Jr.



Using your
spiritual
Gifts

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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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One Body, a Living Sacrifice

*"... present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God,
which is your spiritual worship." -Romans 12:1*

Gathering Our Praise

PRELUDE

Sara Unruh

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader, Carrie Sommerfeld

Leader: There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit gives them.

People: There are different ways of serving, but the same God is served.

Leader: As a covenant people, we seek to witness to your will and way.

People: May our minds be renewed as we discern what is pleasing to God.

**All: As we seek to contribute to the needs of others,
may we be living sacrifices.**

*GATHERING OUR PRAISE *"There are many gifts"* No. 304

*PRAYING FOR GOD'S PRESENCE

*SINGING OUR PRAISE *"For the fruit of all creation"* No. 90

*GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

Proclaiming God's Word

CHILDREN'S STORY Marcene Entz

SPECIAL MUSIC Brittany Voth

CROP Walk: Sunday, September 25, 1:30 p.m. is the date set for the annual Goessel Area CROP Walk. The walk will be starting from Alexanderwohl this year. Get your walking (running) shoes ready to join others in raising money to "Stop Hunger, One Step at a Time". S.S. classes, Mentor/Menteens, youth groups, family and friends are encouraged to walk. Sign up and pick up your Walk Envelope from recruiter Kevin Nickel.

"Let's Talk about ...the future of adult Sunday School: Join others who care about what happens in Adult Faith Formation by coming to this event on August 23 at 7pm at the Western District Conference Office, North Newton. Marlene Bogard, Minister of Christian Nurture will facilitate our conversation and provide a myriad of resource ideas. RSVP to 316-283-8984 or wdc@mennowdc.org.

Camp Mennoscah:

Women and Girls Retreat at Camp Mennoscah: *Finding God in the Everyday.* Featured speaker Laurie Oswald Robinson. All women and girls grade 3 and above are invited to Camp Mennoscah September 9-11. Various seminars and activities will be offered. See brochure for details. Scholarships available. For information contact womengirlsretreat@gmail.com. Registration deadline is August 30.

Mental Health Spiritual Retreat September 4-5.

Work & Play Camp September 18-22.

Scrapbooking Retreat September 30– October 2.

Contact: campmno@mennowdc.org or 620-297-3290 for information on all.

The annual MCC Flatlander Bicycle Ride will be held on Saturday, September 17, originating at the Mennonite Central Committee offices, N. Newton. This year's ride will raise funds for a MCC water development project in Mozambique. Rides of approximately 35, 45, and 65 miles, as well as a shorter family ride are planned. Informational brochures are available on the bulletin board. The brochure is also available on the MCC website: http://centralstates.mcc.org/programs/flatlander. Or, you can register on-line at that website.

Tractor Shuttle Drivers needed for Kansas State Fair: Annually, the Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale provides tractor shuttle drivers during the Kansas State Fair. The money earned during the fair is used to help pay the rental fee of the fairgrounds for the Relief Sale. Contact Archie and Kristin Schmidt or Jerry and Leann Toews to volunteer.

House Against Hunger: A second open house is scheduled for Sunday, August 28, 2011, 2:00-4:00. The location of the house is 543 S Lorraine, Wichita. Spread the word!!

Announcements

Voluntary Service:

Brittany Voth has answered God's call to Voluntary Service in St. Louis. Mennonite Mission Network encourages Tabor to partner with her in financial support of \$3,000.00. This investment into VS helps reduce the financial burden on the placement agencies, covers local budget, Brittany's health insurance, living expenses and stipend money, and the staff of the national offices. Place your donations in the wooden box in the foyer. Checks may be made to Tabor Mennonite Church and earmarked for Brittany Voth. Questions may be directed to Barb Banman, Brittany's VS advocate.

Jason Unruh has begun his 2-year service with Mennonite Central Committee as a canner operator! You should have received a brochure in your mailbox with different options or ways of offering your support to Jason. You may either mail those directly to the MCC office in Akron, PA (listed at the bottom of the brochure) or place it in Jim and Diana Schmidt's mailbox and we will mail it for you. Checks should be made payable to MCC. Thank you for your support of Jason and the work of MCC!

Commitment forms are in your mailboxes today. Prayerfully consider which ministries are a fit for you and how you can fill the positions that are listed. Please return to the box in the foyer by September 4.

Share your garden produce! There is a table in the Food Pantry room where anyone can bring their garden produce to share and anyone may take some home. Just leave a small donation that will help the Food Pantry Ministry.

It's almost time for Mennograss! Please plan to enjoy some good food, fellowship, and music in the Tabor Church park on Sunday August 28th. Burgers & Sides will be served at 6:00pm and live music will start at 6:45. Please bring your lawn chairs, a dessert to share, and friends.

The Joyful Noise Community Child Care board would like to invite everyone, especially past students, their parents and past board members to a celebration of JNCCC for its 10 years of service to the community and a 'letting go' of the childcare. The come and go event will take place Sunday Aug 28th, from 2:30pm to 4:00pm at the childcare. Refreshments will be served. Please come and join the celebration!

Save the Date! Tabor's church retreat at Camp Mennoscah is coming on September 17-18. The theme for the weekend is "If we don't, God won't" and Carol Duerksen and Maynard Knepp will be leading. Registration forms and details are coming soon.

SCRIPTURE READING *Romans 12:1-8* Barb Banman

SERMON "*A Body that Lives*" Karen Andres

SHARING/COMMISSIONING Brittany Voth

Responding to the Spirit

RESPONSE HYMN "*The church of Christ in every age*" No. 403
Led by: Krista Graber, Marcene Entz, Nathan Ashley, Myron Voth

SHARING and CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Carol Duerksen

Sending

*SENDING HYMN "*Teach me thy truth*" No. 548

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Today

We are challenged by the scriptures to be a living sacrifice. This means living our lives in light of the life and ministry of Jesus and the coming age. As a result, the use of our gifts that are freely given are needed for the living body of Christ to function in the world.

Today we commission Brittany Voth as one who has recognized her God-given gifts. She will be serving as a volunteer in St. Louis, MO with Mennonite Mission Network. Let us remember Brittany with our prayers and blessings.

We are so glad you are here with us to worship God and experience God's love. This morning you were greeted by Donavon and Deloris Schmidt and Kristin and Archie Schmidt.



*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 Sharleen Francis in the nursery during the worship service.

10:45 a.m.—Sunday school for everyone. Adult Sunday school will feature Marie Unruh as she shares her experience with Radical Journey in England. Meet in the fellowship hall for English refreshments. Children K-5 meet in room 13, preschool children rooms 11-12.

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.

Youth Pastor Doug Krehbiel and Jude are vacationing in South Dakota this weekend.

This Week

Monday, August 22

Newsletter Articles are due

7:00 p.m.—Worship Fellowship meeting.

Tuesday, August 23

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

Wednesday, August 24

6:30 p.m.—Faithful Fitness.

Next Sunday, August 28

9:30 a.m.—Worship: Next Sunday will be a Ordination Celebration for Youth Pastor Doug Krehbiel. Conference Minister Clarence Rempel will be preaching.

10:45 a.m.—Next Sunday will be teacher orientation/Safe Sanctuaries training/review. The first 20 minutes will be spent with Duane Duerksen who will be leading the Safe Sanctuaries part. Anyone who works with children or youth needs to attend. Even if you had the training, you need to be present for a yearly review and to renew your covenant. The second half will be for Jr. Dept. teachers (2 yr. olds-Jr. high) and we will be talking about issues related to the Sunday school year. Plan to meet in the basement. There will be no Sunday school for adults or children.

Prayer Requests

The following items were shared last Sunday, August 14.

- ★ Elaine Schroeder expressed affirmation for Jason and reminded him of the joy that can come working with others.
- ★ Maynard Knepp expressed his gratitude that the financial response for the people of Somalia exceeded expectations.
- ★ Pam Abrahams expressed gratitude for those who helped with the homeless shelter.
- ★ A descendent of Captain Goessel called last week and expressed appreciation for the kindness that Helen Schmidt has extended to her over the years.

Happenings:

- ★ *Caring Quilt Locations:* A new caring quilt is being made at this time. The Children's Caring Quilt is home.

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Open hearts as to how and where you are being called to serve in the various ministries here at Tabor.
- ★ Brittany Voth as she begins her term of service with Mennonite Mission Network in St. Louis.
- ★ Our students and teachers as they begin a new school year.
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for Jerry Acostas, the newly appointed church planter for Wichita, Kansas. Remember the Church Plant Support Team and the supporting churches: Church of the Servant, Hope Mennonite, and Lorraine Avenue Mennonite.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for wisdom and patience for Jenna Liechty Martin and Peter Martin of MMN as they work at ministries of reconciliation in Northern Ireland.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: All Mennonite educational institutions— Pray for new and returning students to Mennonite elementary and secondary schools, colleges, universities and seminaries. Ask God to grant them confidence, energy, compassion and wisdom.