

OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

September 18, 2007

Retreat at Camp Mennoscah

Offering = \$862.00 Attendance = 65

Peace for Today

“One day each week we should live as if all our work is done. We should live as if the Kingdom has come. When we do, the Kingdom comes—for one day at least. Sabbath is our regular date with the Divine Presence that enlivens both body and soul.”

--Barbara Brown Taylor



Beginning October 5

Wednesday Evenings at Tabor

JOIN US!

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| 5:45-6:30 p.m. | Supper |
| 6:30-7:15 p.m. | Children of Light Choir (grades 2-8)
Faith Friends/Sonbeams (ages 3-grade K) |
| 7-8 p.m. | Youth Group |
| 7:15-8:15 p.m. | Faith Adventures (grades 1-5)
Youth Explorers (grades 6-8) |
| 7:15-8 p.m. | Worship Team & Crossroad practice
Faithful Fitness |
| 8-9 p.m. | Adult Choir |



God's People on a Journey

Led by God

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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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*“Trust in the Lord with all thine heart, and lean not unto thine own understanding.
In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.” -Proverbs 3:5-6 (KJV)*

Gathering

PRELUDE Adult Worship Team

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader, Elaine Schroeder
Leader: Here we are Lord, your church, uncertain, on an ever changing journey.

People: Show us your path.

Leader: Here we are, longing to know your way.

People: Guide us to follow you.

Leader: Here we are, desiring only your comfort.

People: Help us to hear your voice.

All: Here we are, God; lead us according to your will.

HYMN “God of our strength” No. 36

Praising

PRAYER

*HYMN “All the way my Savior leads me” No. 108CS

*GREETING EACH OTHER and ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OUR GIFTS “You’re worthy of my praise” -David Ruis

Proclaiming

SPECIAL MUSIC “Great Getting Up Mornin’ ” Men in Harmony
“Battle of Jericho”

CHILDREN’S STORY Kevin Nickel

Bethel College Fall Fest: Please sign up to help or bring pies to Bethel College Fall Festival on October 8. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Ladies, put Women in Conversation on your calendar for April 27-29, 2012. Register by February 1 and get \$10.00 off. Registration and info on the table in the foyer.

Getting Beyond them and Us—to We. A conference about being faithful to a radical way of life and inviting others to join that life. Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series, Hesston College, October 28-30. Visit us on the web at <http://hesston.edu/AVDS> or see posted information on the bulletin board. Early registration deadline is October 1. *Call or email the church office if you are planning to attend. If you would like assistance with registration fees, contact the church office.*

On the Bulletin Boards:

- ★ **Camp Mennoscah: Scrapbooking Retreat** September 30–October 2.
- ★ **Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum:** Today, 3:30pm, Kauffman Museum, N. Newton.
- ★ **Mennonite Heritage & Agricultural Museum:**
Secrets of Goessel: Historical tour, Oct. 1, 1-3pm. Meet at museum.
"Farming with Horses" program and a faspa in the Preparatory School, Sunday, Oct. 2, 3 pm.
- ★ **Hesston College Choral Music Department** invites experienced singers to join in presenting Part I from Handel's *Messiah*. Rehearsal schedule and details are posted. November 24, 8pm concert.
- ★ Job opportunity at **Et.Cetera Shop** in Newton.
- ★ All interested women are invited to a **Women’s Gathering about Leadership and the Church** Oct. 27, First Mennonite Church, Newton.
- ★ Contribute to **Market on the Green**, Bethel College Fall Fest. See details.

Pastor June’s Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday and **Friday** 1:00- 4:00.

Please call before coming, as June may be out visiting.

Please add the following information to your church directory:

Ib and June Thomsen Phone: 316-283-0106 (H)
308 E 2nd St. 316-239-8747 (C-June)
Newton, KS 67114 Home number is most reliable.

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Announcements

Options for a visit with Pastor June. Thanks to those of you who have already indicated to spend a little time with me (no more than an hour) in one place or another. These opportunities will continue through November, or until we run out of people. Here are the possibilities:

Home Visits - please sign up for a convenient time on the entry bulletin board, or make an appointment with June.

Meet somewhere for coffee - same as above.

Meet with several others - This happens on Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour in the pastor's office.

Beginning in October there will also be an opportunity for a group setting on Wednesday evenings after the fellowship meal.

Regardless of your choice, these are one-time meetings for the purpose of helping us get acquainted and helping me understand the church. Thanks for your help! -Pastor June

Prayer partner cards were placed in mailboxes several weeks ago. If you received one it's because you indicated on your education commitment form that you would be willing to be a prayer partner. Each person who indicated their interest was assigned to pray for a specific class or area associated with the education of our children, youth, and adults. This was the education committee's way of using these individual's gifts and making sure that each teacher and classroom was being prayed for during the coming year.

Please Take Note: There will be a letter in the foyer that we would like as many signatures on as possible from Tabor Church attenders. This letter will be sent to the Marion County commissioners in regards to the condition of the road from the church to the highway. We are asking that they consider repaving this mile and many signatures will give our request a little more importance. Thanks for helping!
—The Trustees

Upcoming luncheon: Pastor Karen has been attending information sessions at First Mennonite, Newton sponsored by NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) every Monday night for 12 weeks (thru November). Since October 2-8 is National Awareness Week for Mental Illness, she is inviting anyone to come to a brown bag luncheon on October 2 at Tabor for a time of bringing awareness about various disorders associated with mental illness. It will be called SMILE (Support Mental Illness through Listening & Education). Who can come? Anyone who has a family member/friend suffering with mental illness; anyone who is diagnosed with a disorder; anyone who is interested in learning more about mental illness. If you don't want to bring your lunch, pizza will be provided by Health Ministries free of charge. Just bring yourself and your table service. **Please let Karen know if you want pizza so we know how much to order.** Hope to see you there.

SERMON *"The People of God - Led by God"* June Thomsen
Exodus 13:17-22; 40:36-38

SILENT REFLECTION

Responding

HYMN *"I am weak and I need thy strength"* No. 553

SHARING and CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

Sending

*HYMN *"Lead on, O cloud of presence"* No. 419

*BENEDICTION *based on Proverbs 3:5-6*

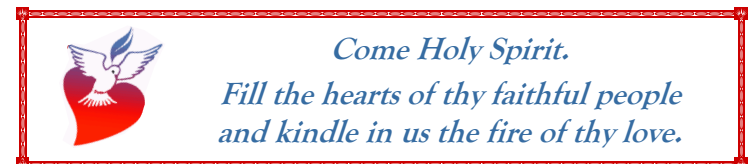
*POSTLUDE

Today

Today's worship service is the second of three that help us focus on the significance of congregational identity. The congregation is **called out** of comfortable circumstances to the challenge of being in transition and without an installed pastor. While wandering in this wilderness, the congregation seeks to be **led by God** to a place yet to be determined. What might that "place" be?

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

A special welcome to The Men In Harmony Chorus and a thanks to Ron Schroeder for bringing them to share their music this morning. The chorus is the best of barber shop gospel harmony, presenting songs that they pray will bless you and will keep the whole world singing.



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 Carrie Friesen in the nursery during the worship service.

The Fall Banner that marks the fall season uses colors seen across the Kansas landscape. The tree symbolizes a season for everything. The crops show a time to plant and a time to harvest (Ecclesiastes 3:1-2).

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

Conversation Circles continue during the Sunday School hour. Please sign up on Pastor June's door for these one-time meetings of six people plus Pastor June. The conversation questions are on the sign-up list.

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.

Narrative requests for the 2012 budget are due in the church office TODAY. Email to: kfunk@tabormennonite.org

Today is the day for the Goessel Area Crop Walk! You can still sign up as a Walker and as a Donor. CROP Walkers, please arrive at Alexanderwohl Shelter House by 1:15 to check in so we are ready to walk by 1:30. Last year we raised over \$8,000! Help us meet or exceed that amount for Mission Projects! You may bring your own water bottles but there will also be three water stops available. Please bring your CROPWALKER ENVELOPE with your sponsor list and enclosed money. It is your registration/insurance form. If you are under 18, the envelope must be signed by a parent. Or, turn in your completed envelope and money to your recruiter this morning and they will turn it in for you at the walk. Sponsors should make checks payable to CROP (designate for MCC if you wish). Bring an item for our local Tabor Church Food Pantry. Thank you all for your efforts in raising money and "Ending Hunger, One Step at a Time". Walkers who welcome your donations are: *Kenton and Eunice Nickel, Brent Abrahams, Caron Voth, Mark Schmidt, Lee and Phyllis Goertzen, James Goerzen, Philip Unruh, Kevin Nickel.*

This Week

Newsletter Items are due Monday, September 26

Tuesday, September 27

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

Wednesday, September 28

6:30 p.m.—Faithful Fitness.

7:00 p.m.—TMYF; Pastor Search Committee meets

Thursday, September 29

7:00 p.m.—Deacon's meeting

Next Sunday, October 2

9:30 a.m.—Next Sunday we will celebrate World Communion together. Please spend some time this week in self-examination and reconciliation, as necessary, so that we can come to the Lord's Table together with prepared hearts.

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

Prayer Requests

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for Renee Kenagy, who will be ordained at New Creation Fellowship today.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for grace, patience and wisdom as MVS participants (and all of MMN short term volunteers) begin new terms of service this fall and settle into their host communities and work assignments.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Hesston College celebrates its first "No Impact Week" this week. Pray that the sustainability practices being learned campus-wide will influence students, faculty, staff and others to be good stewards of our environment and resources.