

Third reading	Romans 5:1-11	Glen Unrau
Message	<i>"We're Being Saved"</i>	Pastor Lois
Worship Music	<i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i>	Kevin Gaeddert
Responding to the Gospel	(Open sharing)	

SENT AS GOD'S PEOPLE

*Song of Sending	<i>What a Fellowship</i>	VT 160
*Benediction		Pastor Lois
*Postlude		Mary Schmidt

*All who are able are invited to stand.

+ The peace lamp serves as a visual reminder for us that we follow Jesus the Prince of Peace and believe in uncertain times that God's shalom will prevail.

Song Leader: Renae Peters

Greeters: North – Ben and Tina Schrag
South – John and Janelle Janzen

Visual Arts: Shari Wiens

Nursery Staff: Aileen Esau, Cambry Duerksen

Worship Technology: Steve Unruh, Levi Schrag, Delton Voth

August 14 Attendance: Sunday School - 100; Worship - 121 In person, 9 Zoom households

August 14 Offerings: Sunday School - \$32.18; First Fruits - \$3,407.26

Summary Statements ++

6. We believe that God has **created human beings** in the divine image. God formed them from the dust of the earth and gave them a special dignity among all the works of creation. Human beings have been made for relationship with God, to live in peace with each other, and to take care of the rest of creation.
7. We confess that, beginning with Adam and Eve, humanity has disobeyed God, given way to the tempter, and chosen to **sin**. All have fallen short of the Creator's intent, marred the image of God in which they were created, disrupted order in the world, and limited their love for others. Because of sin, humanity has been given over to the enslaving powers of evil and death.
8. We believe that, through Jesus Christ, God offers **salvation** from sin and a new way of life. We receive God's salvation when we repent and accept Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. In Christ, we are reconciled with God and brought into the reconciling community. We place our faith in God that, by the same power that raised Christ from

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the dead, we may be saved from sin to follow Christ and to know the fullness of salvation.

Questions for Reflection

1. What have you learned about sin and salvation that helps and/or hinders your trust in God?
2. In what ways have you realized sin and experienced God's salvation?

Next Sunday, we will continue our series from the *Confession of Faith*, with the topics of (9) the church, (11) baptism, (12) Lord's Supper. Pastor Caleb will preach from Acts 11:1-18, Romans 6:1-4, and Luke 22:15-20.

++ You can find the entire text of the *Confession of Faith* here:

<https://www.mennoniteusa.org/who-are-mennonites/what-we-believe/confession-of-faith/> There is a link to purchase a print copy, or you can let the office know if you would like a print copy.

Praying for our Congregation and Beyond

- ❖ We thank God for our elders and ask for God's continued presence with them.
- ❖ We pray for students as they begin fall extra-curricular activities and sports. We pray for friendship, personal growth, and safety.
- ❖ We pray for families adjusting to transition, with kids entering school, entering a new stage, or leaving home.
- ❖ We pray for rain to replenish parched ground and for those most affected.

THIS WEEK...

Monday, August 22

2:00 pm Prayer Team

Tuesday, August 23

9:30 am Staff Meeting

Sunday, August 21

9:30 am Sunday school, 10:30 am Worship Service

COMING EVENTS – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- Sept 5 Church Offices Closed for Labor Day
- Sept 11 Outdoor Concert sponsored by Board of Mission and Service on the church yard. Music by Kevin Gaeddert, Eric Schrag, and The Flannelbacks.
- Sept 15 Health Ministries Mobile Unit at Goessel Church.
- Sept 16 Senior Coffee – Bring your Collections 2.0. We had such a good time learning about each other's collections we're going to do it again!
- Sept 18 Teacher Appreciation - noon meal
- Sept 18 Goessel Area Harvest Giving Walk, 1:30 pm, Tabor Church
- Sept 24-25 AMC Church Retreat at Camp Mennoscah

Oct 5

Midweek Begins

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The new fall quarter for children's Sunday school will begin August 28 (age 2 through high school). Meeting rooms: The two-year-olds - room 18; 3 and 4 year olds - room 19; kindergarten to 2nd grade - room 11; 5th grade to middle school - conference room; high school class - youth house. **The fall Sunday school quarter for adults begins on Sunday, September 4.**

Wednesday evening activities at Alexanderwohl begin on Oct. 5! The children's midweek department is looking for individuals to help out with the following opportunities: 2 or more SonShine Singers leaders (preschool/ kindergarten ages), a Bible story leader and 2 or more activity leaders for the elementary age children, and drama volunteers that are called upon throughout the midweek season. Please contact Nicole Hein, Aileen Esau or Susan Nafziger with any questions you might have or to say YES!!

Library Book Returns: If you checked out books from the WDC Box of Books Program in our library, please return them to our library by August 28.

Church Retreat at Camp Mennoscah will be the weekend of September 24-25 (2:00 on Saturday to 2:00 on Sunday). We anticipate a great time of fellowship, laughter, and spiritual renewal! The retreat is funded by First Fruits giving, so there will not be a registration fee. Look for lodging and meal information in the coming week.

Church Retreat at Camp Mennoscah - Survey for Saturday Night: Part of our time together Saturday evening will involve a group activity roughly aligned with the game Family Feud. Instead, we will be calling it Family Fueled, accenting that the church is "fueled" as we gather together. A survey is in your mailbox to assist with this effort. Each member of your family may complete a survey. Please return to the designated lobby box by September 18th.

The annual Goessel Area Harvest Giving Walk is less than a month away. This year's route (between 1 and 6 miles) will begin at Tabor Mennonite Church on Sunday, September 18 at 1:30 p.m. Find a donation envelope on the literature table in the foyer and start your fundraising today! Donations this year will go towards MCC's response to the crisis in Ukraine and the local Tabor Church Food Pantry.

Sunday School – 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service – 10:30 a.m.
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