

SERMON NOTES

COMMUNICATION TO OPEN DOORS!

IN THE CHAIRS BACK POCKET (IN FRONT OF YOU)

- ① **'OFFERING' ENVELOPES** – Your giving enables the church to do its work. Please use these when you want to give cash money, and you want to include your name or offering number for income tax purposes. If you are giving by cheque, your name is already on the cheque. Thank you for giving! Every person matters; every gift counts!
- ② **'LET'S CONNECT' CARDS** – If we can help you in some way, please fill out the card. The ushers will give the cards to the Church Board.
- ③ **'VOLUNTEER' CARDS** – Volunteers are the power of the church! If you wish to help in some way, please fill in the card and place it in the offering bags, or on the back table. The ushers will give it to the Church Board.

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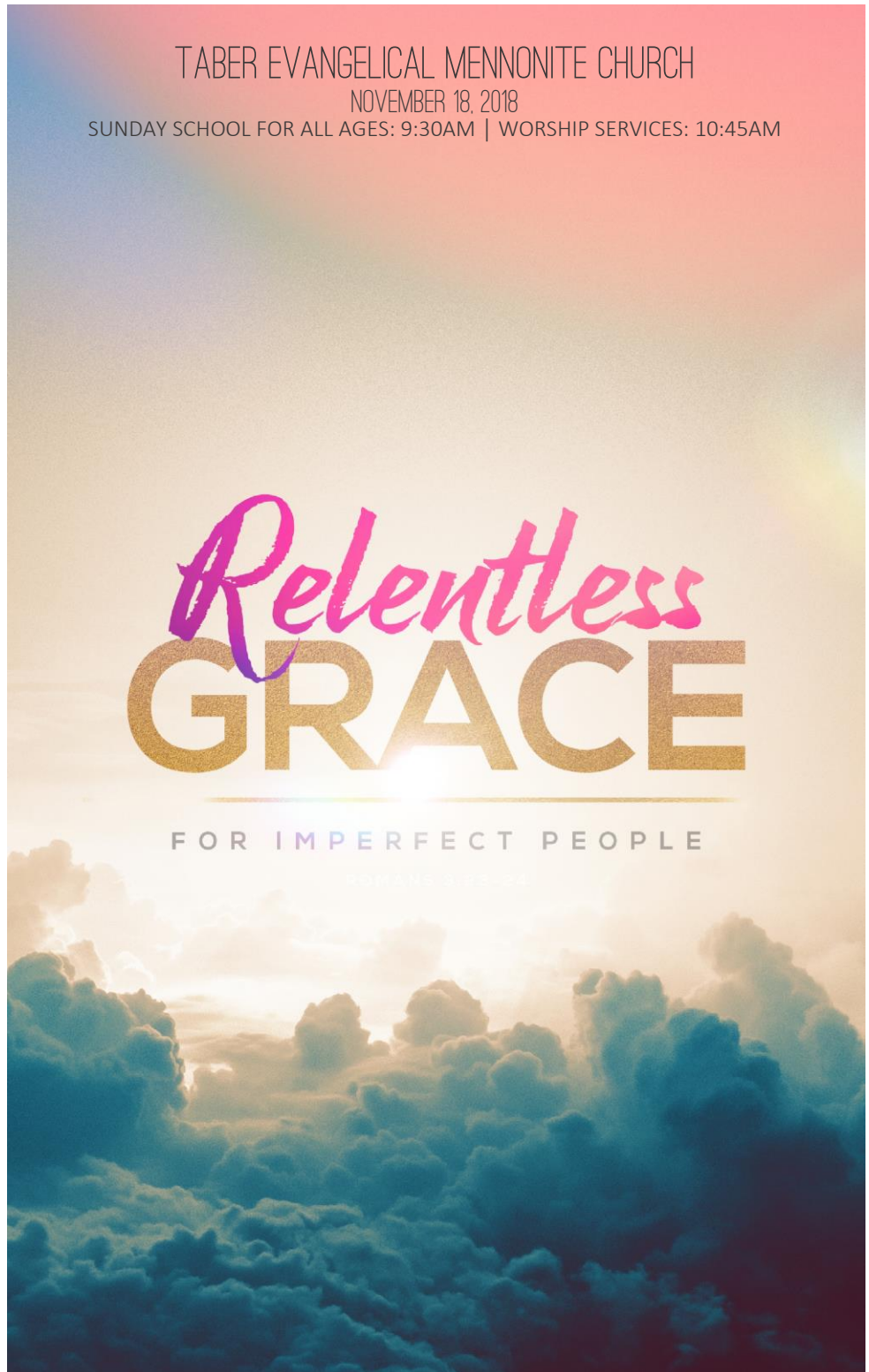
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VISION/MISSIONS STATEMENTS FROM THE BIBLE

Church Vision - "A Christian People of Truth, Grace, and Life." (from John 1:7; 14:6)
Church Mission – "To excel in Christian Worship, Gospel Ministries, Discipleship, and Leadership!"
(from 1 Timothy 4:11-16)

TODAYS WORSHIP SERVICE

Welcome & Prayer -----Ike Wiebe
Worship Singing -----Young People
Announcements & Offertory -----Kailey Thiessen
Message "We Always Have a Choice" ----- Dave Wiebe
Closing Worship Song -----Young People

SERMON TEXT: 1 PETERS 3:8-17 (ESV)

⁸Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind.
⁹Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing. ¹⁰For "Whoever desires to love life and see good days, let him keep his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking deceit; ¹¹let him turn away from evil and do good; let him seek peace and pursue it. ¹²For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."
¹³Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? ¹⁴But even if you should suffer for righteousness' sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, ¹⁵but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, ¹⁶having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil.

PRAYER NEEDS

Dave and Betty Derksen – Dave is recovering from surgery and in a lot of pain.

John & Clara Koop – Audrey's dad John has been struggling with Alzheimer's and is not well. Audrey has travelled to Manitoba to be with the family.

Johnny Koethler – Son of Henry & Eva Koethler, was in a serious accident in Mexico and is currently in ICU in critical condition. This has been a very hard on the family.

Pastor Search – Keep this item in your prayers that the Lord will continue to lead and guide this matter.

SENIOR YOUTH NEWS

Please find us on Instagram "taberemcyouth" and Facebook "Taber EMC Youth" for up to the minute updates on what we're doing!

FRIDAY | YOUTH NIGHT AT CHURCH | 7:00PM

Senior Youth are all invited to the church for youth night.

DEC 1 | JUNIOR & SENIOR YOUTH CHRISTMAS BANQUET | 6:00PM

All junior & Senior Youth are invited to our Youth Christmas Banquet at the church! Sign-up sheets are out today so be sure to sign up!

The Youth Leaders are looking for a few parents that are willing to cook, prepare, and serve the meal at the banquet, please contact Jon & Priscilla, Henry & Sarah Peters, or John & Tina Redecop if you are interested in helping.

THIS WEEK ON OUR CALENDAR

MONDAY | WORSHIP TEAMS MEETING | 7:00PM

For all worship leaders and their teams, PA and Computer operators. For review and planning forward for worship services, including Christmas and New Year services.

TUESDAY | ADULTS MINISTRY MEETING | 7:00PM

For all those who work with Adult Sunday School, Baptism classes, Berean School, Women's ministry, Men's ministry, and Events committee. For review and planning for winter 2019 ministries.

WEDNESDAY | KIDS CLUB | 6:30-8:00PM

Join us for Kids Club! Grades Kindergarten-Grade 5.

THURSDAY | LADIES CHOIR PRACTISE | 7:00PM

The Ladies Choir will be practising at the church Thursday nights for anyone interested in joining. They will be performing at the Ladies Christmas Banquet and the Christmas Day Service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

CHURCH NAME SUGGESTIONS | The church would like to start the process of considering a new church name and we would like your input. We will continue to operate as an EMC Church, just under a new name. There are suggestion ballots located at the back of the sanctuary, fill one out if you have any suggestions and drop them in the ballot box also located at the back of the sanctuary. The ballot box will be removed and sorted by the Board after November 25.

THE GIFT THAT KEEPS GIVING | The Sunday School is doing an MCC gift this year as their Christmas project. They will be purchasing chicken broods through MCC for families in need in poor countries. Chickens are a gift that keeps on giving for these families as they are a valuable source of eggs, meat, and profit. The Sunday School is asking that children bring a loonie every Sunday to purchase these chickens. One brood of chickens cost \$15.

NOVEMBER 30 | LADIES CHRISTMAS BANQUET | 6:00PM

Ladies you are all invited to attend our annual Ladies Christmas Banquet held in our church. It will be a good evening of spiritual encouragement and fellowship with our church ladies. Christa Haverhals will be our guest speaker and we look forward to what she will have to share with us.

*Cost will be \$27 per person, sign-up by next Sunday November 25.

*The Women's Ministry is looking for door prizes for this evening and would like them to be in before November 29.

DECEMBER 7 | ADULTS CHRISTMAS BANQUET | 6:30PM

All adults are invited to sign up for the adults Christmas Banquet held here at the church. It will be a good evening of fellowship and celebration. Doors will open at 6:00pm, dinner at 6:30pm.

*Cost will be \$25 per person or \$50 per couple. Sign-ups will begin next Sunday, November 18

*The Events Committee is looking for door prizes for this evening, please talk to Abe & Anna Klassen if you have something you would like to donate.

*Deadline to sign up & pay is December 2.