



KNOW
GOD



GROW
TO BE LIKE JESUS



GO
MAKE DISCIPLES

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EVENTS

- October 1 9:30 am - Ladies Bible Study begins
- October 2 7 pm - Congregation Meeting
- October 6 7 pm - Tim & Glory Boys Concert
- October 14 7 pm - Deacon Board Meeting
- October 15 7 pm - Executive Board Meeting
- October 30 10 am Senior's Coffee Fellowship

YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS

- October 4-6 Identity Youth Conference
- October 11 Movie Night at McCoys
- October 15 Youth Bible Study
- October 18 Youth @ Church
- October 22 Youth Bible Study
- October 25 Youth @ Church
- October 29 Youth Bible Study
- November 5 AWANA Invite a Friend Night
- November 22-24 Senior High Youth Retreat SABC

Renewed Purpose, Mission, Vision, and Values

At our last congregation meeting, the membership voted on some constitutional amendments that bring a renewal and reminder of our reasons for being a church and what we are striving for. These strategic directions were affirmed by the congregation and bring an update to our constitution to best reflect who we are as a church. Let us keep these in our minds as we live week to week as the church in Taber.

Our Purpose (Why do we exist?)

We exist to love God and love others (Matthew 22:37-40)

Our Mission (What are we to do?)

TEFC is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who know God, grow to be like Christ, and go in the Spirit to make disciples (Matthew 28:18-20)

Our Vision (Where are we headed?)

Helping Taber and the world say, "Yes" to Jesus.

- Saying "Yes" to Jesus in knowing God deeply, responding to the Gospel, thriving on his Word, obeying his commands, and walking with him daily.
- Saying "Yes" to Jesus in his challenge to live as his disciples, growing to be like him in character and in living.
- Saying "Yes" to Jesus in following his command to go and make disciples, serving the needs of our neighbors, living in genuine community, and proclaiming the Gospel throughout the world.

Our Values

(What is important as we fulfill purpose/mission/vision?)

Gospel Centredness

The Gospel is the Good News about Jesus Christ (1 Cor. 15:1-5). There is no other message and truth by which we are saved. We value the Gospel because this news is our only hope in life and death and the best truth that we can offer to a lost world.

Scripture

The Bible is valued because it is God's Word to us; words that carry the greatest weight, communicate the greatest truth, and direct us in the greatest ways as our sole authority.

Prayer

We value a life of prayer for every disciple of Jesus. Prayer calls out to God in dependence, thankfulness, and praise, fostering intimacy with God

Relationships

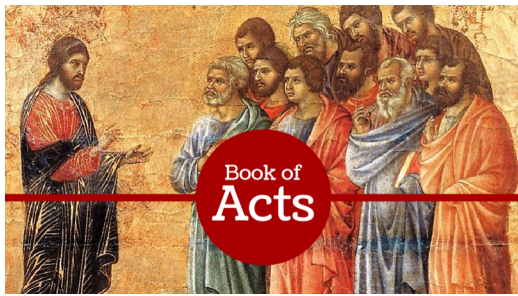
Disciples are called to be in loving relationships with others. We see developing and fostering relationships as essential for everyone who follows Christ.

Hospitality

Related to healthy relationships is seeking out others who are new or who do not know Jesus Christ. We value hospitality as a way of welcoming others with love and care.

Fruitfulness

Jesus tells us that we will be able to determine if people follow him by the fruit that is present in their lives (John 15). Helping others bear the fruit of obedience and trust is extremely important because it is fruitfulness that easily identifies someone as a genuine disciples of Jesus Christ.



church, and shape the church to be everything that Jesus died for.

Acts Depicts What Discipleship Looks Like

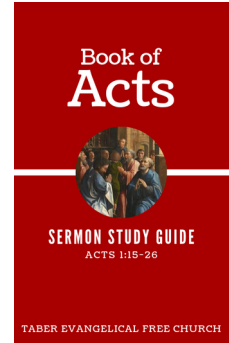
As the Spirit works in the church and in people's lives, we see portraits of discipleship in the lives of Jesus' followers. We will see that discipleship involves remaining faithful in the midst of difficulty, submitting to the direction of the Spirit, telling others about Jesus, caring tangibly for others, and working together in community. The various vignettes into the lives of the disciples spark our own imaginations with how discipleship can look for us today.

Acts Outlines How the Church Fulfills Its Mission

In Acts, we see the church experience new growth and sustained health. This is largely due to the way that the church strives hard to fulfill the mission that Jesus gave to keep making more disciples. These are three of the main reasons I wanted to lead our church through the book of Acts. I think it is a refreshing perspective of the work of the Spirit and the establishment of the church.

Sermon Study Guides

One further element that we are including in our sermon series in Acts is the Sermon Study Guide.



These will be available each week at the Welcome Desk and can be used individually or in your Lifegroup to help work out the sermon and the text from the previous week. They will involve a brief series of questions that will help you read and look at the text, think about what it means, and encourage you into obedience as you keep God's word in mind. Let's discover all that God wants to show us as we walk through Acts week to week.
- Pastor Keith

New Sermon Series: The Book of Acts

We are excited to start a new sermon series as a church this fall. For the next few months, we will journey together through the Book of Acts. This book of the Bible was chosen for some important reasons that will be helpful to remember as we move through the book.

Acts Highlights the Work of the Holy Spirit

We have just come through the book of Galatians with its emphasis on freedom and walking with the Holy Spirit. In Acts, we see how the Holy Spirit powerfully lives and works in the disciples. It is the Holy Spirit who helps the disciples and the early church bear witness of Jesus Christ, give discernment at crucial growth points in the

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

At the congregation meeting on October 2, 2019 we welcomed 12 new people into membership.

- Liz Dueck
- Abe Krahn
- Gary Noble
- Marty Senneker
- Isaak Friesen
- Chris Lecuyer
- Diane Noble
- Lauren Tams
- April Friesen
- Tina Neudorf
- Marilyn Senneker
- Linda Vallee

We are encouraged and grateful to see more people commit to TEFC and the way that each one can serve in our mission to make disciples in Taber.

WAYS TO SERVE

There are a number of ways that you can volunteer your time within many of our ministries. Contact the office if you would like to part of a ministry.

Ministry Volunteers Needed:
Alpha table leaders; Alpha childcare;
Kid's Church Ministry; Youth ministry helpers;
Media volunteers (sound and power point)

WAYS TO GIVE

- OFFERING PLATE contact the office if you require a numbered envelope
- ETRANSFER to give@taberefc.ca No need for a security question
- AUTOMATIC DEBIT GIVING Call office to set up a form for one time donation / recurring donations
- CREDIT CARD ONLINE GIVING available through www.atbcares.com Search: Evangelical Free Church of Taber

FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

Kids Church Update! This fall we started New City Catechism for our kid's church portion of our Sunday service. New City Catechism is a collection of biblical doctrines, assembled into a question and answer style format. The teaching times of each of these lessons begins with a theological question like "What is God?" Through the teaching outline, our teachers are able to provide the biblical answer to each question. Along with this curriculum are small booklets that have the questions for each week so you can follow along with your children at home. We plan to use this curriculum for the entire year and are excited for kids to have this opportunity to discover and learn more about God!