

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

February 15, 2015

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Musician: Ellen Mosiman

Transition Pastor: Randy Smith

Whitewater, Kansas

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Song Leader: Penny Hiebert

At the conclusion of the worship service we invite the adults to be seated and take a few moments to greet one another while the children are dismissed to their Sunday school classes.

The Adult Sunday School classes will begin 10 minutes after the service is over. Everyone is welcome!

BEING AND LEADING THE BODY OF CHRIST

Leading Through Servanthood

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| Gathering Music | Ellen Mosiman |
| Welcome and Announcements | Randy Smith |
| Prelude to Worship | |
| *Call to Worship | Hymnal 12 |
| <i>Come, let us all unite to sing</i> | |
| *Praise Psalm | Psalm 30 |
| *Praise Hymn | Hymnal 59 |
| <i>Sing praise to God who reigns</i> | |
| Called by God | |
| Mark 2: 13-19 | Kaye Penner |
| <i>Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling</i> | Hymnal 491 |
| Prayer | |
| Affirmation of Faith | Hymnal 859 |
| Offering | |
| Children's Story | Bethany Regehr |
| <i>Children to age 5 may be dismissed to the library for child care.</i> | |
| Scripture Lesson | |
| John 13:1-17 | |
| Sermon | |
| <i>Leading Feet First</i> | |
| *Response Hymn | Hymnal 307 |
| <i>Will you let me be your servant</i> | |
| Sharing and Prayer | |
| *Sending Hymn | Hymnal 363 |
| <i>Renew your church</i> | |
| *Benediction | |
| Postlude | |

For Sharing and Prayer

All are invited - Merrill Harms turned 90 this past Wednesday! Join in the fellowship hall following the worship service for refreshments in celebration of his birthday.

Western District Conference: Pray for God's guidance for the WDC Search Committee seeking a new Conference Minister. Pray for Sondra Bandy Koontz who chairs the committee.

Mennonite Mission Network: C. Paul and Hildi Amstutz of Mennonite Mission Network request prayer for chaplains in businesses in Paraguay. May they encourage Christian employees to exercise their calling to be salt and light in the marketplace, thus creating a more favorable spiritual climate at their companies and among their families.

Church Family News

. . . . At the recent Kansas Saddle Horse Association awards banquet **Jeannine McLain** received recognition for high point horse all around for 2014 . . . **Jared Burns** has been accepted into Physician Assistant School at WSU. He will begin in June. . . . The quilt hanger in the church foyer was made by **John Claassen**. The quilted wall hanging is on loan by **Kathy Balzer**. It was purchased at the Colorado MCC Sale. .

Next Sunday is the first Sunday of Lent. Using the gospel of Mark we will walk with Jesus on the way to the cross. Consider reading through Mark as a Lenten discipline. The denominational worship series theme is "Upside Down and Inside Out." Next week's worship service will include communion.

This morning's offering is designated for Local Church.

*Indicates those comfortable in doing so, please stand

Church Events

Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. All Church Meal – everyone is invited!

We are having meals every Wednesday through March 11.

Menu this week: Cavatini

Cost of the meal: High School & Adults \$3.00 Children \$2.50

Wednesday

7:00 p.m. Junior Dept. Programming

7:00 p.m. Youth Programming

7:00 p.m. Adult Choir

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study

Thursday at 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast at Whitewater Café.

Et Cetera

“Peace, Pies, and Prophets!” by Ted & Company will be held this afternoon at 3:00 p.m. at University Friends Church (1840 W. University, Wichita). It is an event based around the performance of the comedy “I’d Like to Buy an Enemy”, but also includes a real, live, honest to goodness pie auction right in the middle of it! Pie auction and donations benefitting Christian Peacemaker Teams and Food-4-Kids. Free admission.

The Annual Valentine Dinner fundraiser for Iglesia Casa Betania will be held at the Newton First Mennonite Church Fellowship Hall on February 19 at 6:30 p.m. They are asking for a donation of \$25 per couple. The mother of Bethel College Biology Professor, Francisca, Sister Mireya Rocha, (who is from Mexico but is also a member of Casa Betania) will present a brief testimony. For reservations call 316-644-5800. Let’s celebrate together God’s gift of friendship.

Internationally acclaimed New Testament scholar Bart Ehrman speaks in Bethel College convocation on February 20 at 11 a.m., Krehbiel Auditorium, Luyken Fine Arts Center. Ehrman is the James A. Gray Distinguished Professor of Religious Studies at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

First Mennonite Church, Halstead, will hold their annual verenike supper on Saturday, February 21 from 5-7 pm. Cost is by donation; proceeds will go to church missions.

Learn with MCC! Everyone is invited to this special Mennonite Central Committee event on Saturday, February 28 at 9 a.m. in the Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College. MCC Central States program staff is teaming up with MCC U.S. staff to provide resources and a time of mutual learning on the topics of: immigration, sexualized and gender based violence, Doctrine of Discovery and Indigenous people and militarization within the U.S. Lunch at Mojo’s Coffee Shop (also on the Bethel campus) will follow the seminars. Mark your calendars to join us. If you plan to attend, please email tinascrag@mcc.org or call 316-283-2720!

2015 MCC Comforter Blitz sponsored by Kansas Friends of MCC will be March 9 – noon to 9:00 p.m. & March 10 – 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Journey Mennonite Church at Yoder Campus. See the poster on the bulletin board for more details.

Cornelius Krahn Mennonite Multimedia Contest for High Schoolers: The *Mennonite Life* journal invites high school scholars and artists to submit essays, creative writing, multimedia projects, or other original works of art or music on topics related to Mennonite and Anabaptist history, identity, or theology. Deadline: April 1, 2015. Cash prizes. See details at ml.bethelks.edu.

Announcements

You’re invited to join “Prayers of the Church” each Sunday morning from 9:00 – 9:10 a.m. in the classroom next to the kitchen. Please feel free to place prayer requests in the prayer box in the foyer.

Nursery This Sunday: Theresa Toews and Sara Harms

Nursery Next Sunday: Catina Wiebe and Jane Washburn

Ushers Next Sunday: Josh Patterson and Rob Schunn

Offering Last Sunday: Bethel College \$1,972.00

Offering Next Sunday: Western District Conference

CHURCH OFFICES

Pastor’s Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 a.m.-Noon, Thursday 1:00-4:00 p.m.

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