

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

April 15, 2007

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Pastor: James Voth

Keyboard: Kaye Penner

Whitewater, Kansas

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Youth Pastor: Brett Klingenberg

Chorister: Suzy Burch

* **Benediction hymn No. 418** *Move in our midst* Vs. 1 & 2

Postlude

Jana Harms

* Indicates those comfortable in doing so, please stand

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.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES BEGIN AT 10:45 A.M.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

Prelude

Jana Harms

Welcome and Announcements

A special welcome to each of our guests! During this time we spend a few moments introducing our guests. We're glad you have come to worship with us. May you sense God's peace and direction as we meet together with our Creator and Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Call to Worship and Gathering Prayer

Scripture Reading John 20:19-31

Pastor Brett

* **Gathering Hymn No. 106** *All hail the power of Jesus' name*

Worship in Giving Offender Victim Ministries

Offertory

Jana Harms

Children's Moments

* **Hymn No. 614** *In the bulb there is a flower*

Sharing and Prayer

Special Music *My God*

Penny Hiebert

Scripture Reading Acts 5:27-32

Lindsey Harms

Children to age 5 may be dismissed to the library for child care

Message *I have given you something strong to believe!*

* **Hymn No. 440** *I believe in you, Lord Jesus*

* **Benediction**

For Sharing and Prayer

In the hospital: Orville Schmidt, Newton Medical Center

Pastor Jim will be on vacation all of this week through Monday, April 23. Pastor Brett is in charge of next Sunday's worship and will bring the morning message.

Western District Conference: Pray for Marlene Bogard, Minister of Christian Nurture and Resource Library Director for WDC, as she is ordained to Christian Ministry today at Tabor Mennonite Church, Goessel.

Mennonite Mission Network: Three new volunteer tutors of Instituto Biblico Anabautista are teaching new groups of students at the study centers in their respective congregations: Leona Diener, Jorge Fuentes and Rodolfo Jimenez. Please pray that their ministry will produce a harvest of new leaders essential for the Mennonite Church.

Copies of the Sherrill's April 2007 newsletter are available in the foyer.

Announcements

Spiritual Council will be taking pictures of all families/individuals for the bulletin board in the foyer. There will be two cameras set up with back drops in the fellowship hall area. Please stop by either before church or after Sunday School. The following dates will have someone available starting at 8:00 a.m. and leaving after the last picture is taken after Sunday School: April 29, May 6 (carry in meal - pictures can be taken after the meal as well), May 20 (reception for Seniors).

Youth Pastor Search Committee met again on April 11 with Dorothy Nickel Friesen and discussed the candidate application process. Please continue to pray for the search committee and possible candidates during this time. The nation wide search is currently in progress. A copy of the Grace Hill Profile for the Youth Pastor Search that is on record with WDC is available for review in the church library.

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.

Church Events

This afternoon at 4:00 p.m. Wheat State Manor Vesper Service. Mariners S.S. Class is in charge. Also this week at Wheat State: Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. - mending; Friday at 3:00 p.m. - Bingo.

Wednesday at 6:10 p.m. All Church Meal*

7:00 – 8:15 p.m. Children's and Youth Programming**

7:45 – 8:30 p.m. Adult Choir

*To make or cancel reservations for the meal please contact Tammy Regehr (799-2911) or Barb Voth (283-2644).

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

**NO Praise Team practice. All youth will meet with Pastor Brett at 7:00 p.m.

***NO Adult Bible Study on Wednesday.

Friday at 6:30 p.m. The All Women and Girls Salad Supper is this Friday, April 20, 6:30 p.m. at Grace Hill. In making preparations for the evening a sign up sheet will be passed in the Sunday School classes today so we can determine the approximate number attending. Please feel free to come even if you have not signed up. The guest speaker is Sheralynn Neff and violin music by Rachel Voran. Invite your family and friends and bring salad for you and your guests.



Wednesday, April 25 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. All Church Skating Party at Starlight Skate Center, 130 E. 3rd, Newton. Cost is \$2.50 per person. Skates are provided or you can bring your own, rollerblades are allowed. Everyone is welcome and bring your friends.

Saturday, April 28 8:00 a.m. – noon Church Work Day

Sunday, May 6 Carry-in Dinner

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Tonight: Pizza and Jimmy Magellen. Bring \$3 and be at Grace Hill at 5:30 p.m.!

Wednesday: Youth Group at East Lake (if the weather is good). Bring outdoor clothes. We will meet at 7:00 p.m. at church.

Snack Sign-up Sheet: There is a new list for bringing snack for youth group posted on the pastor's office door. Take a look and sign up because we have a hungry bunch of youth.

Nursery This Sunday: Deb Hiebert and Rita Patterson

Nursery Next Sunday: Tammy Regehr and Amanda Regehr

Special Music Next Sunday: Adult Choir

Keyboard Next Sunday: Chelsea Vaught

Ushers Next Sunday: Rob Schunn and Becky Voth

Offering Last Sunday: Local Church \$6,400.20

Offering Next Sunday: Western District Conference

CHURCH OFFICES

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Church Website: www.gracehillmc.org

Et Cetera

Marlene Bogard will be ordained to Christian ministry on Sunday, April 15, at 3:00 p.m. at Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton. She serves the Western District Conference as Minister of Christian Nurture and Resource Library Director. The congregation and WDC invite you to attend this celebration and reception.

Canadian Mennonite singer and songwriter Bryan Moyer Suderman will be in concert at First Mennonite Church, Newton, on Sunday, April 15 at 7:00 p.m. Suderman's concerts are for all ages and from the small to the tall.

The Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus will be giving two concerts: Sunday, April 15 at 7:00 p.m. at Central Community Church, 6100 W. Maple, Wichita and Sunday, April 22 at 7:00 p.m. at Bethany College, Presser Hall, Lindsborg.

Steelpan artist and drummer Phil Hawkins will perform a free concert at Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church (655 S. Lorraine, Wichita) as part of their 75th anniversary celebration on Friday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m. Hawkins, a WSU graduate who now lives in the San Francisco Bay area, will be performing music from his latest CD release "H20" along with Steve Hatfield (drums) and Kansas City based musicians Roger Wilder (piano) and Jeff Harshbarger (bass).

Men and Boys Retreat at Camp Mennoscah, April 20-22. Come enjoy a weekend with the guys at the annual retreat. We'll tickle your funnybone, feed your stomach, and allow you to wear the same clothes for 3 days! Come to camp or sleep in more civilized cabins. This is for all men, not just dads and sons. Invite a friend, this is a great outreach opportunity. Bring your work clothes and guitars... we'll have projects for you workaholics and a chance to jam for you bluegrass fans. Questions? Call Brent Voran, 316-284-2657 or email: voranhomeinspections@cox.net. See the poster with all the details.

Earth Day Adventure Walk, Sunday, April 22, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Celebrate God's creation with outdoor activities including a scavenger hunt. Meet at the Sand Creek Trailhead on the Bethel College campus (turn east on 29th Street and park east of the tennis courts or at Memorial Grove). Dress for the weather. Free for all ages. Sponsored by Kauffman Museum--call Kauffman Museum 316-283-1612 for more information.

Mennonite Central Committee Golf Tournament will be April 21 at the Hesston Golf Course. Registration at 7:00 a.m., shotgun start at 8:00 a.m. Enter as a team or individual. Pre-register by calling Gregg Dick at 316-283-1366. Deadline is April 17.

Arthur Marks, tenor, and Laura Bergquist, pianist, will present a benefit concert Sunday, April 29, at 4:30 p.m., at Trinity Heights United Methodist Church (1200 Boyd Avenue, Newton). A full dinner will be served. Tickets selling for \$50 each, two for \$85, or a table of eight for \$320 are available at KIPCOR (2515 College Avenue / PO Box 276, North Newton KS 67117; 316-284-5217). Reservations are required by April 23. The event benefits KIPCOR's Community Mediation Center.

"The Good Ole Days" is this year's Retirees' Relaxation Retreat theme at Camp Mennoscah April 23-25. We will have several sessions talking about years past, time for fellowship and games, a catered Middle Eastern meal and special entertainment on Tuesday. There is still room - please contact camp at 620-297-3290 or campmno@mennowdc.org.

The Bethel College Alumni Association invites alumni and friends to its annual banquet, 6:00 p.m., May 19, in Memorial Hall. Program includes award presentations and music by Open Road. Cost \$16 per person. Contact the Bookstore in Schultz Student Center on campus, (316) 284-5205. Reservation deadline is May 9.

The Just fOr You (JOY) retreat is "springing" up May 27-28 and will focus on friendship with God and each other. Come join others for crafts, fishing, hayride/singing and special entertainment. Registration forms available in churches or contact camp at 620-297-3290 or campmno@mennowdc.org.

Camp Mennoscah, a Kansas prairie camp 45 minutes west of Wichita, seeks two volunteers for a two year commitment to fill the positions of 1) full-time Maintenance/ Grounds Assistant for camp buildings and grounds and; 2) full-time Food Service Manager/Office Assistant who will manage the kitchen during summer camps/rental groups and assist in the office during the off season. Volunteers will assist with rotational weekend hosting responsibilities. These positions are open as of May or until filled and will receive Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) stipend and benefits and will be part of the Hutchinson MVS unit. Camp Mennoscah is owned and operated by Western District Conference of Mennonite Church USA. Interested applicants may check on-line at mennowdc.org, MennoniteMission.net or contact Mennonite Mission Network: 1-866-866-2872 or ImmanuelS@MennoniteMission.net.