

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

April 22, 2007

Whitewater, Kansas

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: James Voth

Youth Pastor: Brett Klingenberg

Keyboard: Chelsea Vaught

Chorister: Suzy Burch

Prelude *Prelude and Fugue in G Major* Bach
Amazing Grace Clegg

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.

Choral Call to Worship *Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord!* Adult Choir

* **Prayer** Pastor Brett

* **Hymn No. 87** *Great is the Lord*

Scripture Reading John 21: 1-19 Levi Goossen

Children's Moments *The Three Questions* Bonita Schroeder

Sharing and Prayer Pastor Brett

Hymn of Prayer No. 75 *Holy, holy, holy*

Special Music *The King of Love* Adult Choir

Children to age 5 may be dismissed to the library for childcare

Scripture Reading Acts 9: 1-20
Reader: Pastor Brett

Message *Forgiveness of the worst sins* Pastor Brett

* **Hymn No. 506** *I sought the Lord*

Offering Western District Conference

Offertory *The King of Love*

Callahan

* **Benediction** Pastor Brett

* **Choral Benediction** *God Be With You* Adult Choir

Postlude *O Sons and Daughters Let Us Sing!* Willian

* 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!**

For Sharing and Prayer

Herman Janzen, father of Russell Janzen, passed away on Friday, April 20, 2007. Remember the family in your prayers.

Pastor Jim is on vacation through Monday, April 23.

Western District Conference: Pray for pastors – that they will nurture their relationships with family and friends and pray for congregations that they will be of encouragement to their pastors.

Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Voluntary Service participants in Tucson, Arizona serve in these assignments: Greg Koop at BorderLinks; Caitlin Miller and Jeff Yoder at Community Food Bank; Kim Troyer at an elementary school. Pray that they will have strength and wisdom as they interact and minister with people in the community.

Church Events



Wednesday 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

Next Sunday, April 29 Worship message by Ron Braun, Kidron-Bethel director of fund development; Children's Moments by Abby Tyner, social worker. Sunday school hour elective: Leigh Peck, administrator of health care, will lead an instructional, educational and informational time on aging issues and the mission of the church. May is Older American's Month.

Wednesdays May 2 and 9 at 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir will practice.

Sunday, May 6 Carry-in Dinner

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).

Homeless Shelter Week is May 2-8. Grace Hill and Zion are once again teaming up for a week at the shelter. The Grace Hill dates are May 2, 4, 6, and 8. Please check your calendars and sign up at the bulletin board.

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: Tammy Regehr and Amanda Regehr
Nursery Next Sunday: Marge Harms and Courtney Claassen

Special Music Next Sunday: Remington Young Men's Group
Keyboard Next Sunday: Julia Washburn
Ushers Next Sunday: Lon Hiebert and Dean Patterson

Offering Last Sunday: Offender Victim Ministries \$1,869.00
Offering Next Sunday: Western District Retreat Program

CHURCH OFFICES

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Et Cetera

Earth Day Adventure Walk this afternoon, 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.

The Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus will be giving a concert this evening at 7:00 p.m. at Bethany College, Presser Hall, Lindsborg.

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.

Southern Hills Mennonite Church, Topeka, Kansas will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary June 2 and 3, 2007. See the poster on the bulletin board or check the website www.southernhills.ks.us.mennonite.net for more information.

Is being missional just about outreach? Or can congregational life also be missional? Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary-Great Plains Extension, North Newton, is offering a two-credit-hour class June 11-22 on Mission and Congregational Life. Professor is Keith Harder. Both credit and audit students are welcome to enroll in the courses. Tuition is \$130 for auditors; \$740 for credit students. For more information, or to register, contact Lois Barrett, director, AMBS-Great Plains at 316-283-6300; lbarrett@ambs.edu. Registration deadline is May 17.

WDC Annual Conference: If your junior high youth group (6th-8th grades) is looking for a summer event, don't overlook the weekend of July 27-29 when the annual WDC/SCC joint delegate sessions are scheduled in Tulsa, OK. Sara Dick, youth pastor at Shalom Mennonite Church, Newton, KS, is giving leadership to a variety of activities designed for fun, fellowship and inspiration.

Camp Mennoscah announcements:

- **The Just fOr You (JOY) retreat** (for persons with special needs, families/caretakers) 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 on website.
- **Campers**, the catalogs have been mailed, the cabins have been cleaned, the river is running, and the grounds are ready - are you? The 2007 summer camping season is just around the corner and we are ready for you to come! Look for the catalogs in the mail, at your church, or on the WDC website. Sign up early to receive the week of your choice. See you at camp!
- **We are preparing for the summer camping season** and looking for volunteers (men too!) to help in the ministry of feeding the children that come to summer camp. If you like to cook, bake or otherwise hang around the kitchen, contact the camp to reserve your week.
- **Camp Mennoscah contact information:** 620-297-3290, campmno@mennowdc.org, website: www.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.

San Jose 2007. Be sure to visit www.SanJose.org for the latest information about speakers, seminars, special events, schedules, agenda, etc. Maps of the area around the convention center can also be found on this web site.

Kidron Bethel Village has an opening for a part-time Marketing Associate. If interested, please contact Richard Heim at 284-2900, ext. 225.