

Grace Hill Mennonite Church

Service of Worship

Pentecost
May 19, 2013

Worship – 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School – 10:45 a.m.



Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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

No. 679

* Hymn No. 26

“Holy Spirit, Come With Power”

Offering to God

Education & Bible School

* Doxology – No. 119 (*vs. 1*)

Prayer for Illumination (*in unison*)

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, open your words to us and ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Acts 2:1-21

Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God

* Hymn No. 303

“Come, Gracious Spirit”

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

Sermon

“Grace Hill & The Holy Spirit”

* Hymn No. 299

“New Earth, Heavens New”

Congregational Sharing & Prayer
Hymn 348

“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”

Benediction

Postlude

* *All who are able may stand*

Preacher: Weldon Martens

Song Leader: David Janzen

Scripture Reader: Kris Goossen

Bulletin: Debbie Claassen

Ushers: Kendall Claassen & Mike Balzer

Worship Leader: Tim Harms

Keyboard: Sara Unruh

Audio: Kim Claassen

Nursery: Theresa Toews & Sara Harms

Pastor: Peter Goerzen

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Associate Pastor: Katherine Goerzen
Interim Pastor: Weldon Martens

Today during the Sunday School hour there will be a farewell reception for Pastor Weldon. Refreshments will be served. No S.S. classes will meet today.

For Sharing and Prayer

Henry Janzen passed away on Saturday, May 11, 2013. Services were held at Grace Hill on Tuesday, May 14. We continue to pray for the Janzen family.

Congratulations to Darrel and Tiffany Lanzrath on the birth of their daughter Hadynn Annalise, born May 8, 2013. We celebrate this new life among us and pray God's strength and blessing for their family.

We want to thank our Grace Hill family for the prayers and support that we received during our Dad's (Henry Janzen) recent hospitalization and death. A special thank you to Pastor Weldon Martens for all his visits while Dad was in the hospital and his guidance after Dad passed away.

Sandie and Don Lanzrath and family

Susan and Marshall Shelley and family

Western District Conference: Pray for Marlene Bogard and the Planning Team as they finalize arrangements for Assembly 2013, August 2-3 – “Shaped by God’s Story.”

Mennonite Mission Network: Though Justin Shenk and Valerie Showalter of MMN have been in the United Kingdom for only a few months, they say London is beginning to feel like home. Pray for Valerie as she leads worship and takes her turn preaching at Clapton Park United Reformed Church, and for Justin as he works in the church office.

Summer Sunday School Since the adults have been meeting as a group this spring, we will meet in our regular classes, including the current intergenerational class, this summer - with the exception of July. We will not have any Sunday School classes during the month of July. The junior department will meet as a group during the months of June and August. Cal Frye and Rob Schunn will continue leading the intergenerational class. If there are questions related to the current plan or there are volunteers to relieve teachers please feel free to contact Cal Frye or other members of the Education Council.

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: Mary Ann Wiebe and Kylee Schunn

Ushers Next Sunday: Josh Patterson and Rob Schunn

Offering Last Sunday: Local Church \$5,524.00

Offering Next Sunday: Western District Conference

Church Events

This afternoon at 4:00 p.m. Grace Hill softball game at Washington Road Ballfield in Newton.

This afternoon at 5:00 p.m. Wheat State Manor Vesper Service. Also this week at Wheat State: Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. – mending; Friday at 3:00 p.m. – Bingo.

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Administrative Council meets.

Next Sunday Welcome Back Sunday for Pastors Peter and Katherine – there will be a carry-in meal at noon.

June 10-14 Vacation Bible School at Remington Middle School. The Community VBS this year is SonRock Kids Camp, an adventure camp like no other! As SonRock campers, your children will learn how their lives can be transformed by God's great love for them. Songs, skits, crafts, games, Bible studies and snacks - all make VBS a can't miss experience. To register go to www.communityvbs.eventbrite.com.

June 12 and 26 at 8:00 a.m. Senior Breakfast (65+) at the Breadbasket.

CHURCH OFFICES

Pastor Weldon will be in the church office on Wednesday afternoons.

Interim Pastor: Weldon Martens

Email: weldon.martens@gmail.com

Church Secretary: Debbie Claassen

Secretary's E-mail: secretary@gracehillmc.org

Et Cetera

Song on the Lawn - Sunday, June 9, 5-8 p.m. @ WillowSpring Downs Mennonite Central Committee invites you to enjoy an evening of live music at Carol Duerksen and Maynard Knepp's farm. Listen to local music groups, eat a pulled pork meal, delight in ice cream from The Salted Creamery and hang out under the shady canopy of trees at WillowSpring Downs. Donations will be accepted at the event to support MCC's worldwide work of relief, development and peace in the name of Christ. Questions? See the poster on the bulletin board for more details, or call MCC 316-283-2720. We hope to see you at Song on the Lawn!

Mennonite Central Committee would like to invite you to a Learning Tour to Haiti November 2-12, 2013. This 10-day tour will give you a first-hand look at the problems Haiti is still facing in the aftermath of the 2010 earthquake, Hurricane Sandy, and other social-economical issues. If you are interested in being an active participant, dedicated to learning and being transformed through interactions with Haitians, then this is the learning tour for you. Space is very limited. Please respond to Anna Yoder by Monday June 3 at annayoder@mcc.org or 316-283-2720.

MCC Central States is recruiting for an Office Manager in the North Newton office. The position is Tuesday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Contact Melissa Waltner for more information mwaltner@mcc.org, 316-283-2720.

Mennonite Mission Network has an immediate opening for a person who has a confident editing hand, excellent writing skills, and an eye for a story. The editor oversees all written content for Mission Network public communication. The ideal candidate has editorial experience, attention to detail and ability to work on a team. The person must be a committed Christian, participate in a congregation, embrace diversity as well as develop and implement anti-racism guidelines for the department. For more information, see Staff Opportunities at www.MennoniteMission.net or call Linda Krueger at (574)523-3009.

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