



Grace Hill Mennonite Church

Trinity Sunday

May 22, 2016
Worship – 9:30am
Sunday School – 10:45am

Prelude

Greetings & Announcements

Gathering

* “Sanctuary” Praise Team
Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living
Sanctuary for You

Gathering Psalm Psalm 15

- ¹ Lord, who may dwell in your sanctuary? Who may live on your holy mountain?
² The one whose walk is blameless, who does what is righteous, who speaks the truth from their heart;
³ whose tongue utters no slander, who does no wrong to a neighbor, and casts no slur on others;
⁴ who despises a vile person but honors those who fear the Lord; who keeps an oath even when it hurts, and does not change their mind;
⁵ who lends money to the poor without interest; who does not accept a bribe against the innocent.
Whoever does these things will never be shaken.

Gathering Prayer

Sharing, Prayer & Offering

Congregational Sharing & Prayer
“Lord, Listen To Your Children” HWB 353

Offering to God Western District Conference
Offertory & *Doxology HWB 119

Proclamation

Children’s Story
Praise Team “Here I Am to Worship”
“I Will Not Be Shaken”
* Scripture Reading Psalm 32
Sermon “Let Us Pray”

Response

*Hymn “Breathe On Me, Breath of God” HWB 356

Communion

Prayer (Unison) HWB 788
Service of the Bread
Service of the Cup

Sending Forth

*Benediction “The Lord Lift You Up” Praise Team

Postlude

*Indicates those comfortable in doing so, please stand.

- After the Children’s Story children to age 5 may be dismissed to the library for childcare.

Serving in Worship

Preacher Weldon Martens
Scripture Reader Deb Regier
Praise Team Courtney Nethercot, David Janzen, Curt Regehr,
Valerie Klaassen, Cody Claassen, Levi Goossen, Ellen Mosiman
Pianist Ellen Mosiman
Song Leader Penny Hiebert
Greeters Galen and Roberta Harms
Ushers Josh Patterson and Rob Schunn
Nursery Kris Goossen and Renata Goossen

For Sharing and Prayer

Pastor Weldon will be on vacation May 24 through May 30. If there are care needs, please contact a member of the Care Council: Kaye Penner, Rita Patterson, Alma Schmidt or Doug Claassen. Ray Reimer will bring the message next Sunday.

Beginning today and continuing through June, I will be preaching on Prayer - "Let Us Pray". Related to the series I have two requests from the congregation: 1) I am seeking one person to share 3 minutes during each worship service regarding your prayer life - speaking about your prayer practice and its meaning to you. Visit with me if you are interested; also 2) I invite the entire congregation to bring a visual that helps your prayer life or devotionally 'warms your heart.' It could be a sculpture or a wall hanging. Donna Balzer and I will place your items in the sanctuary or the entrance to the church. Both the speaking and the visuals are a good way to give all of us encouragement and assistance in our prayer life. Thanks! Pastor Weldon

Western District Conference: Give thanks for all in WDC who lead, teach or mentor in ministries of faith formation with children, youth and young adults, as the conclusion of the school year approaches.

Mennonite Mission Network: The Bolivia Mennonite Church is beginning the implementation of a five-year plan to increase the impact of their ministry. Pray for them as they find new energy to reach their communities with Jesus' love. Pray also for Mennonite Mission Network as they partner with brothers and sisters in Bolivia.

Church Events

Today during the Sunday school hour High School Graduation Reception for Carine Claassen in the fellowship hall. Everyone is invited to stay to congratulate Carine. There will be no Sunday School classes today.

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Gifts Discernment Council meets.

Thursday at 8:00 a.m. Senior Breakfast at Curtis C's in Newton.

Next Sunday at 11:20 a.m. Grace Hill Memorial Service in the cemetery.

SAVE THE DATE - June 12 - details to follow - #hospitalitycouncil #rollingthedice

Announcements

Beginning June 5 the worship service and Sunday School hour times will be switched. The Sunday School hour will be from 9:30-10:15 a.m. and the worship service will begin at 10:30 a.m. This will be on a trial basis for the summer months of June, July and August.

Sunday School classes will continue to meet in regular classes for June and July – no combined classes are planned. During the month of August there will be no Sunday School.

2016 WDC Annual Assembly The 2016 Western District Conference Annual Assembly will be held July 29-30 at Bethel College. Grace Hill can send up to 8 delegates as representatives. If you have interest in serving as a delegate, please contact Tim Harms **today**.

Royals Fans *Grace Hill at the K Part 2* is scheduled for Saturday, August 6. There is a sign-up sheet on the table by the mailboxes. Fifty seats are available on the bus. The cost will be about \$90 per person. Questions - talk to K. John Klaassen. Don't wait too long to sign up, you might miss out!

Nursery Next Sunday: Kaye Penner and Courtney Nethercot

Ushers Next Sunday: Doug Hiebert and Russ Janzen

Greeters Next Sunday: Adrian and Courtney Nethercot

Offering Last Sunday: Bible School & Education \$1,381.00

Offering Next Sunday: Mennonite Voluntary Service

CHURCH OFFICES

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Et Cetera

Lunch with MCC & Ron Byler - you're invited to lunch with Ron Byler, Executive Director for MCC U.S. on Wednesday, May 25 from 12-1 p.m. at the MCC Center in North Newton (121 E. 30th). Ron will share stories from his recent visits to MCC partners in Palestine/Israel, Bosnia, Ukraine, Lebanon, Jordan and Iraq. Free will donations will be accepted to cover the cost of the food. Please RSVP to Anna Yoder at annayoder@mcc.org or 316-283-2720 by May 24.

Palestine/Israel tour report: On Tuesday, June 7, at 7 p.m., central Kansas participants from a recent Come and See Learning Tour to Palestine and Israel will present a program of reflections and pictures from their experience. The program will be at First Mennonite Church, 429 E. 1st Street, Newton. Refreshments will be served, and all are welcome to attend. The presenters are among 13 persons who traveled in April on an 11-day Come and See learning tour sponsored by Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Central Committee at the invitation of Palestinian Christians. Approximately 75 persons from across Mennonite Church USA have now participated in Come and See tours, to increase awareness of issues surrounding the Israeli/Palestinian conflict and promote peace and social justice.

Mennonite Central Committee and WillowSpring Downs are hosting two events the weekend of June 11-12. **June 11, 1-5 p.m. Fun on the Farm:** In the tradition of Day on the Farm, but different, Fun on the Farm features interaction with animals, relays, snacks, games, nature scavenger hunt, obstacle course, stick horse race, rides, and crafts for children of all ages. Come at 1:00 for all the fun, and you just might learn a little bit about MCC's work around the world in the process! Admission is free. In case of rain, call 620-386-0709 or 620-367-8432 for updates. **June 12, 5-8 p.m. Song on the Lawn:** This year's mini-music festival features the Book of JEBB, Cottonwood River Band, Newton Men's Quartet, Senior Jammers, and Elaine Unruh/Emil Schmidt and Friends. Meal catered by Keith Banman. Bring your lawn chairs, table service, friends and family. Admission is free, donations accepted for MCC. In case of rain, event will be at Goessel Elementary School. Call 620-386-0709 or 620-367-8432 for updates. Directions to WillowSpring Downs for both events: From Goessel: 3 miles north on Hwy K-15, 4 miles east on 150th, ¾ north on Falcon.

First Come, First to Serve! Camp Mennoscah is looking for two kitchen helpers for the week of July 17-23. These helpers need to have willing hands and the ability to follow directions. Our head cooks will do the rest (i.e., help you know what to do)! The days are filled with laughter, cookie baking, great stories, and many peeled potatoes. Contact us at 620-297-3290 or olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org. Can't wait to hear from you!

Plan now to attend WDC Annual Assembly, July 29-30, at Bethel College, North Newton, on the theme *Held Together in Mission*. Friday evening and Saturday activities will include worship, delegate assembly, workshops on a variety of topics, music, food and fellowship. More information to come soon!

Only two-ish months away! The Young Adult Retreat is July 29-31, so give those young adults in your life an elbow or nudge. There will be grilling, campfire, worship, swimming, fun, games, friends, and leadership provided by Rachel Miller and Patrick Loganbill. Register online at www.campmennoscah.org! Come burn some marshmallows to the perfect degree of charcoal!

For all Mennonite women - Empowering Women: Money, Health and Faith is a resourcing event that will take place on August 12-13 at Peace Mennonite Church in Aurora, Colorado. In previous years, this event was called PREP (preparing, resourcing, encouraging, praising) and was held specifically for area-conference women leaders. This year, this event is being opened up to all women, because, let's be honest – who among us doesn't need to be empowered with regards to our understanding of money and our personal health? So... come...it's for all women! For more information, see the fliers on the bulletin board.

The flower beds are blooming! Camp Mennoscah has had some absolutely beautiful iris these past few weeks and the wild flowers are looking great, too. However, the flower beds are beginning to have more residents than what we want and the weeds have come for a visit. We're looking for volunteers to remove these unwanted guests from the flower beds. Call us at 620-297-3290 to spend your day smelling flowers (and pulling weeds)!