



# Grace Hill Mennonite Church

June 5, 2016

Sunday School – 9:30am

Worship – 10:30am

## Prelude

Greetings & Announcements

## Gathering

Gathering Words: Psalm 90 (Responsively) HWB 819

\* Gathering Songs

“Now is the Time to Worship” STJ 9

“Jesus, Help Us Live in Peace” STJ 52

## Proclamation

Children’s Story

“Blessed Be Your Name”

My Devotional Life Doug Claassen

Sermon “Lament & Praise”

Psalm 31:1-18 “Turn your ear toward me...”

Psalm 31:19-24 “How Great is Your Goodness...”

## Response

“Step by Step”

Congregational Sharing

Psalm 23 HWB 814

Offering to God Mennonite Church USA

Offertory & \*Doxology (Psalm 100) HWB 119

## Sending Forth

\*Sending Hymn “You Shall Go Out With Joy” HWB 427

\*Benediction

Postlude

\*Indicates those comfortable in doing so, please stand.

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- 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	Josh Patterson
Guitarist	David Janzen
Greeters	Allen & Elaine Patterson
Ushers	Terry Klassen & Dean Patterson
Nursery	Katherine Claassen & Bethany Regehr

## For Sharing and Prayer

**Western District Conference:** Pray for WDC pastors traveling to a Hispanic ministers' educational gathering next weekend in Goshen, IN, sponsored by Mennonite Education Agency.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Lauren Francisco of Mennonite Mission Network works as an expressive arts counselor at Eastwood Primary School in Pietermaritzburg, South Africa. Pray for her as she listens to stories of victims of neglect and trauma, and empowers them to be creators.

## Church Events

**Monday-Friday** Community Vacation Bible School begins tomorrow at 8:30 a.m. at Remington Middle School in Whitewater. Registration welcomed at the door.

**Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.** Leadership Council meets.

**Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.** Missions Council meets.

**Thursday at 8:00 a.m.** Senior Breakfast at Mom's Café in Whitewater.

**Next Sunday at 6:30 p.m.** Hospitality Council is on a roll!! Join us Sunday, June 12 at 6:30 p.m. for a "dicey" evening of BUNCO fun OR "settle" for another great option of Settlers of Catan. All ages are welcome and no experience is needed to play these games. A light "snack" meal will be served. Invite your family and friends for an evening of fun and fellowship.

## Announcements

**Sunday School classes** will continue to meet in regular classes from 9:30-10:15 a.m. for June and July – no combined classes are planned. During the month of August there will be no Sunday School.

**Nursery Next Sunday:** Kris Janzen and Sara Westerfield

**Ushers Next Sunday:** Doug Hiebert and Russell Janzen

**Greeters Next Sunday:** John and Miriam Claassen

**Offering Last Sunday:** Mennonite Voluntary Service \$1,212.00

**Offering Next Sunday:** Local Church

## CHURCH OFFICES

Pastor's Office Hours:

Tuesday & Thursday - Mornings, Wednesday - Afternoon, Friday - day off

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The following books have been added to the library:

Deborah Raney is an author many of you enjoy and now she is writing this series - we already have book one "Home to Chicory Inn" and the following three are added: "Two Roads Home" "Another Way Home" "Close to Home".

This book was donated: "Kauffman Museum-Museum Mysteries", Written by Kids at Uncle Carl's camp at Kauffman Museum. Interesting pictures and writing about items in museums.

## Et Cetera

**The West Zion Mennonite Church** (Moundridge) Concert Series continues with a concert on June 5 at 7 p.m. Featured performers include Christopher Shaw, organ; Bill Froese, baritone vocalist; Dan White, musical saw; Galen Fast, saxophone; Laurie Regehr, piano and Donna Stucky, piano. A free-will offering will be received during the concert. After the concert, there will be a time of fellowship, with refreshments being served.

**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.

**Wheat State Manor Auxiliary is having a Bake Sale** at the Manor in conjunction with the Whitewater Garage Sale on Friday, June 10 beginning at 8 a.m. until sold out. Any baked food would be welcome or come to purchase some of the best home baked food available. For more information contact - Gladys Reimer, Miriam Claassen or Agnes Harder.

**You are invited to discover how Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission** (AIMM) is currently partnering with African churches in leadership training, church planting, income generation, local language Bible distribution, bicycle manufacturing, and more. Please join us for dessert and mission reporting on Sunday June 12, 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall (basement) of First Mennonite Church, 429 E. First St, Newton. Please RSVP to [lola@aimmintl.org](mailto:lola@aimmintl.org); or 574-535-0077.

**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.

**Summer Story Time**, for children ages 3-8, begins Tuesday, June 14 with Marjie Warkentine, Storyteller. Summer Story Times will be at 10-10:45 am on June 14, 21, July 4, 12, 19 and 26, in the WDC children's library. Register NOW at <http://goo.gl/forms/TGmHl5odLO> or email/call: [crlib@mennowdc.org](mailto:crlib@mennowdc.org) or [316-283-6300](tel:316-283-6300) There's still space!

**WDC Annual Assembly** will take place July 29-30, Friday evening – Saturday, on the Bethel College campus in North Newton. Information is posted on the bulletin or at: <http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2016annualAssembly>.

**In an attempt to clarify the relationship between WDC** and several other organizations, on March 15, 2016, the Executive Board approved an amendment to Bylaw 5 of the WDC Constitution and is bringing it to the July 30, 2016 Delegate Assembly for approval. A two-thirds vote by delegates is required for such an amendment. The proposed amendment is posted at: <http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly#2016annualAssembly>. If you have questions, please contact WDC Moderator Richard Gehring at [rbgehring@juno.com](mailto:rbgehring@juno.com).

**Mental Health Spiritual Retreat** - This retreat at Camp Mennoscah is for all affected by mental illness - family, friends, supporting congregation members, everyone! We'll be gathering on September 4-5 for fellowship, music, worship, and to support each other in fun! Scholarships of \$50 are available (total fees are \$60). Contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 for more information!