

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

June 6, 2010

Whitewater, Kansas

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: Peter Goerzen

Associate Pastor: Katherine Goerzen

Keyboard: Pastor Katherine

Chorister: Gladys Reimer

Worship Leader: Pastor Peter

Gathering Our Praise

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** Psalm 117

* **Gathering Prayer**

* **Hymn of Praise No. 1** *What is this place*

Offering Mennonite Church USA

Hearing God's Word

Old Testament Reading Isaiah 40:21-31

Kim Claassen

Children's Story

Tonya Ramer Wenger

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

* **Hymn No. 363** *Renew your church*

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 9:19-22

Kim Claassen

Sermon *Never-changing Gospel, Ever-changing World*

James Krabill

Responding

* **Hymn of Response No. 327** *Great is thy faithfulness*

Sharing our Faith and Congregational Prayer

Sending

* **Sending Hymn No. 396** *The work is thine, O Christ*

* **Benediction**

Postlude

*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.

**The Adult Sunday School class will begin
10 minutes after the service is over.
Everyone is welcome!**

Today we welcome James Krabill and Tonya Ramer Wenger from Mennonite Mission Network. Tonya is a board member with MMN and is pastor of Madison Mennonite Church in Wisconsin. James, currently senior executive for Global Ministries at MMN, served 14 years in West Africa and is the author and editor of numerous articles and books. Welcome, Tonya and James!

Sunday School will be in the sanctuary with James and Tonya.

For Sharing and Prayer

Western District Conference: Thank God for the work of Dorothy Nickel Friesen, WDC Conference minister, now on medical leave. Pray for healing and grace in her continuing recovery. Pray for the Oklahoma Pastor/Spouse meeting on June 8.

Mennonite Mission Network: Pray that children attending vacation Bible schools across the nation this summer will become excited about joining in God's work in South Africa through the mission component of the Mennonite Publishing Network curriculum, *Meet God on the Mountain*.

Summer Sunday School

Joint Adult and Youth Summer Sunday School will meet in the sanctuary. **Today:** James Krabill and Tonya Ramer Wenger **Next Sunday:** *Family Systems* with Pastors Peter & Katherine.

During the summer, K-8th grade students class is entitled “Rock-Solid Followers”. It will offer kids the fun and excitement of an outdoor adventure camp, combined with the discovery of who we are in Jesus Christ and the richness of His love. They will be meeting in the basement.

Church Events

This evening at 5:00 p.m. Catechism students are invited to Katherine and Peter’s house for a wrap-up party and cookout, beginning at 5 p.m. Bring your research papers if you have them.

Saturday at 8:00 a.m. Work Day at church.

Next Sunday, June 13 Grace Hill Community Pig Roast - Pulled pork meal at 6:00 p.m. Entertainment at 7:00 p.m. Children’s activities. Bring blankets or lawn chairs. In case of rain, the event will be moved inside the church. This event is free. Come enjoy this fun evening of food, fellowship and praise!

June 27 at 11:30 a.m. There will be a brief congregational meeting to make a decision about whether to proceed with plans for the development north of the church.

June 27 at noon There will be an all-church carry-in meal following the meeting.

Announcements

The Grace Hill Library Committee will soon be purchasing additional books with some recent memorial funds. If you have suggestions for new works you would like to see in our library, please contact Alma Schmidt or Deb Regier.

The church retreat at Camp Mennoscah will be October 16-17, 2010. We are in need of coordinators for the retreat. If interested, please talk to Brian Hilgenfeld or any member of the Spiritual Council.

Harvey County Food Pantry suggested items to donate this month: canned meals. A basket for goods is located in the foyer by the front entrance.

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: Joyce Wedel and Katrina Regehr
Nursery Next Sunday: Penny Hiebert and Mikayla Hiebert
Ushers Next Sunday: Doug Hiebert and Terry Klassen

Preaching Next Sunday: Pastor Katherine
Keyboard Next Sunday: Linda Harms

Offering Last Sunday: Mennonite Voluntary Service \$1,566.00
Offering Next Sunday: Local Church

CHURCH OFFICES

Pastors' Office Hours:
Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – noon, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. or by appointment

Pastor: Peter Goerzen (
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Et Cetera

Wheat State Manor Auxiliary Bake and Garage Sale, Friday, June 11, in conjunction with the Whitewater City Wide Garage Sales. You are encouraged to bring baked foods and garage sale items to the Manor early in the morning or the evening before. All proceeds are for the Auxiliary and will go to the purchase Christmas gifts for the residents. Hours are from 8 a.m. to approximately 2 p.m. We would be very grateful if you would join us in this endeavor.

Kidron Bethel Village Celebration Day is from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Friday, June 11 at 3001 Ivy Drive, North Newton. The event offers fun for all ages, entertainment, BBQ pork from 5:30 - 7 p.m. (cost is a donation), and benefit auctions at 7:34 p.m. Proceeds of the BBQ pork meal and benefit auctions go to the Village Centre expansion project.

Harvey County Homeless Shelter Training Sessions for June: June 17 at 6:30 p.m., June 22 at 6:30 p.m. and June 24 at 10:00 a.m. Items needed at the HCHS: copy paper, coffee, foam or paper cups & plates, paper towels, deodorant, trash bags (all sizes), tubs of margarine, new socks, underwear, flip flops, sun screen. See Donna Balzer if you have questions.

Emmaus Mennonite Church invites you to help us celebrate the opening of our new church building! Please join us for the following activities: Community Open House on June 27 – Church service at 10:30 a.m. and Hamburger Fry from 12:00-1:30 (come even if you can't attend the service). Afternoon activities include puppets, games and a concert by the Prairie Rose Riders for the Cross at 2:00 p.m. We will be holding our dedication service on Sunday, June 13, at 10:00 a.m.

A WDC annual conference is meeting old friends and making new ones, and this year, in particular, those who attend the 15 congregations in the mid-Texas area. Come to the Lakeview Camp and Conference Center near Dallas, Texas on July 9-11 where persons from all over our conference area will be meeting and sharing. The theme *Rise Up and Come Together/Levantense y Juntense*, based on Ezekiel 37, will be developed through messages, stories and Learning Communities. Registration brochures for the WDC annual conference sessions are available in the foyer or online at www.mennowdc.org.