

Grace Hill Mennonite Church

Worship – 9:30am / Sunday School – 10:45am

June 11, 2017

Worship Service

PRELUDE

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG

* *“All Things Bright and Beautiful”* HWB 156

- GATHERING INTERLUDE -

CALL TO WORSHIP (PSALM 8) & PRAYER HWB 812

* *“Morning Has Broken”* HWB 648

OFFERING TO GOD LOCAL CHURCH

Offertory

* *Doxology* (Psalm 100) HWB 119

CHILDREN’S STORY

SHARING & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 1:1 – 2:4a

SERMON *“The Beginning Matters”*

SENDING SONG *“This is My Father’s World”* HWB 154

* BENEDICTION

*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.
- 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 classes will begin 10 minutes after the service is over. Everyone is welcome!

Serving in Worship

Pastor	Weldon Martens
Scripture Reader	Donna Balzer
Keyboard	Joel Brejda
Song Leader	Bonita Schroeder
Greeters	Allen & Elaine Patterson
Ushers	Doug Hiebert & David Janzen
Nursery	Katherine Claassen & Kaye Penner

For Sharing and Prayer

Western District Conference: Pray for God’s strength and travel safety for WDC conference ministers as they visit congregations and pastors across WDC.

Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network’s partner, DOOR, is in a busy season of hosting youth groups through the Discover program. Ask God to give energy, patience and wisdom to summer staff. Pray also for participants as they experience God in U.S. cities and as they share new ideas with their home congregations.

Pastor Weldon and Jenny will be away from June 11-27 on a trip to Europe. Pastor Marvin Zehr will fill the pulpit and give pastoral care as called upon.

Pastor Marv’s phone: 316-283-8308

Email: mjzehr@cox.net

Church Events

Thursday at 6:30 a.m. Men’s Breakfast at Charlies, Newton.

Next Sunday Sermon by Oscar Siwali, from the Southern African Development and Reconstruction Agency (SADRA) and primary partner with Dan and Kathryn Smith Derksen. Oscar will also share with the adults during the Sunday School hour. The children will have their regular classes.

Announcements

The Western District Annual Assembly is August 4-6 in Arlington, Texas. Grace Hill can send seven delegates. If you are interested in being a delegate, please talk to Tim Harms.

Nursery Next Sunday: Marge Harms and Quinn Dove

Greeters Next Sunday: Galen and Roberta Harms

Ushers Next Sunday: Mike Balzer and Kendall Claassen

Offering Last Sunday: Mennonite Church USA \$1,128.00

Offering Next Sunday: Offender Victim Ministries

CHURCH OFFICES

Pastor's Office Hours:

Wednesday - Afternoon, Friday - day off

Pastor: Weldon Martens

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Church Secretary: Debbie Claassen

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Et Cetera

The next West Zion Mennonite Church Concert will be on Sunday evening, June 11 at 7 pm at the church, 101 South Washington Avenue in Moundridge. Performers will include Gabriel's Trumpets, a trumpet choir whose members include Kyle Unruh, Eric Schrag, Tim Regier, Evan Koch, Pat Flaming, Paul Epp, Connor Born and Arlin Buller; Christopher Shaw, Organ; Ellen Neufeld, Oboe; Louisa Nickel, Vocalist; and Donna Stucky, Piano. No admission will be charged, but a free-will offering will be received during the concert. After the concert, there will be a time of fellowship, with refreshments being served.

You are invited to a forum on Peace is Possible - June 17, 7 pm at Mennonite Church of the Servant, 23rd & Woodland, Wichita. Presenters: Mel Lehman - in 2009, he founded Common Humanity to build better understanding about the people of the Middle East. Ranya Taha was born and raised in Damascus, Syria. In recent years she has lived in Wichita, KS, where she owns the Byblos and Petra restaurants. Shafiq Hasan was born in historic Palestine and was forced to flee his home as a boy in 1948 when the State of Israel was established. He now lives in Newton, KS and works as a medical lab specialist. For more information, call 316-371-8274.

WDC Annual Assembly is coming! *“Rooted and Built Up in Christ,”* based on Colossians 2:6-7 is the theme for Western District Conference Annual Assembly 2017 to be held on August 4-6 at the Doubletree Hotel DFW South, 1507 North Watson Road, in Arlington, Texas. Registration is now open! Information and online registration available at: <http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2017annualAssembly>. Also see information in the WDC Garden that was in your mailboxes last Sunday. Registration forms are also available on the table in the foyer.

Going to WDC Annual Assembly? Leave the driving to someone else! A bus has been chartered from North Newton, KS to Arlington, TX for the WDC Annual Assembly August 4-6. Bus departs from Kauffman Museum in North Newton on the morning of August 4, and can also pick up riders at the Best Western in Park City. Anticipated return to North Newton is 8 pm on August 6. Complete information about Annual Assembly, the chartered bus option, and online registration is now available at: <http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2017annualAssembly>. Register early to secure your seat on the deluxe motorcoach! Seats will only be available until filled.

Branching Out at Camp Mennoscah! We are connecting with Christ, trying new things, and growing in our faith at our summer youth camps. It's a great theme for a place where you can meet new friends, experience God in nature, and have a blast! It's not too late to register. Go to campmennoscah.org and join the fun. Scholarships are available. Contact us at 620-297-3290 or office@campmennoscah.org.

Camp Mennoscah has open weekends for groups of almost all sizes. Contact us for available weekends at 620-297-3290 or office@campmennoscah.org. We are excited to see you!

The Newton Et Cetera Shop is hiring a Donations Manager for 30-40 hours/week. The manager, in cooperation with the management team, receives and processes donations; trains and supervises volunteers; prepares volunteer projects and work spaces; helps manage the sales floor; and participates in regular system evaluation and store planning. The full job description and applications are available at the store (619 N. Main in Newton) or via e-mail at manager@newtonetceterashop.com. Applications are due Monday, June 12, 2017, and can be submitted in person or by e-mail.

Wheat State Manor's chapel piano is no longer usable. If anyone has a piano they would like to donate, contact Mike Smith, Administrator.