

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

June 14, 2015

Whitewater, Kansas

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Musician: Tara Harms-Becker

Song Leader: Gladys Reimer

Transition Pastor: Randy Smith

GOD'S TOP TEN LIST The Third Word

Gathering Music Tara Harms-Becker
Welcome and Announcements Randy Smith
Prelude to Worship

*Sung Call to Worship Hymnal 16
God is here among us

*Spoken Call to Worship Psalm 119:41, 44-48

We gather to worship the Lord.
Lord pour out your unfailing love on us;
Your salvation that you promise.

We will keep your law forever and ever.
We will walk in freedom, devoted to your commandments.

**We will speak before kings of your decrees
and not be ashamed.**

We delight in your commandments, for we love them.

We will honor and love your law.

We will meditate on your principles.

We gather to worship the Lord.

**Lord pour out your unfailing love on us;
Your salvation that you promise.**

*Prayer Hymnal 98
Sing to the Lord of harvest

The Second Word Exodus 20:1-2; 7
Response to the Word Deuteronomy 6:10-13

The Lord will bring you to the Land of Promise –
promised to your ancestors

Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob –

**A land filled with large flourishing cities
that we did not build,**

Houses filled with good things that we did not provide,

Wells we did not dig,

Vineyards and olive groves that we did not plant.

When you eat and are satisfied

be careful to remember the Lord,

who brought you out of Egypt,

out of the land of oppression.

We will fear the Lord our God and serve him only.

We make our vow in the name of the Lord.

Obey my voice Hymnal 163
Offering and Offertory

Children's Story Bethany Regehr

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

Scripture Lesson Ed and Marge Harms

I Kings 21: 1-16

Sermon

What's In a Name?

Praise, I will praise you Lord Hymnal 76

Sharing and Prayer

Sending Hymn

Hymnal 419

Lead on O cloud of Presence

Benediction

Postlude

This morning's offering is designated for Local Church Missions.

*Indicates those comfortable in doing so, please stand

Stay for Sunday School. An all ages Sunday school study of the Ten Commandments continues today in the fellowship hall. Time together for all, with table talk, topic discussion, animated video, and children's activity sheets.

Next Sunday Tara Harms-Becker, Emma Hilgenfeld, and Mikayla Hiebert will share from their recent international visits. The worship theme will be "Signs of the Kingdom." Roberta Harms will serve as worship leader.

Randy and Ann plan to be in Oklahoma City Friday through Sunday.

For Sharing and Prayer

We join with the Toews family in mourning the loss and celebrating the life of Nick Toews. Nick passed away peacefully in his sleep Tuesday night. We will gather with them tomorrow at 11:00 for a memorial service and meal together.

The family of Elma Harms is requesting a card shower in honor of her 80th birthday on June 16. Please send cards to Mrs. Homer Harms (there are two Elma Harms on her hall) 3054 Ivy Court, Rm 27W, North Newton, KS 67117. Thank-you.

Western District Conference: Thank God for the inspiration, encouragement, and insight received during the Anabaptist Faith Formation launch last weekend. Pray for participants as they bring back new possibilities to their congregations for strengthening our “making disciples” ministries.

Mennonite Mission Network: Praise God for a wonderful year of learning and growing for Mission Network Service Adventure units. Pray for smooth transitions as participants return to home communities and to summer jobs, and, then, as they discern the next step of their journeys.

Church Events

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

Thursday at 7:00 p.m. Worship Council meets.

Next Sunday - Congregational Meeting - The Administrative Council would like to call a congregational meeting on Sunday, June 21st during the Sunday school hour. During this time, the Organization Structure Task Force and the Pastor Search Committee will be presenting updates. A handout was placed in mailboxes last Sunday providing a summary of items that will be presented. Congregational input will be important as we chart the future course of Grace Hill, so attendance would be appreciated! There will be no Sunday school class next Sunday.

Sunday, July 5 the Social Council will host a noon meal in the North Pavilion after Worship and Sunday school. All food will be provided. Plan to stay for this time of fellowship.

August 8 There is still room on the bus for the K.C. Royals game on August 8. Sign up on the sheet in the foyer. If you are already signed up and have not paid your deposit please give the \$20 to K. John Klaassen by July 1.

PEt Cetera

Song on the Lawn, an annual outdoor mini-music festival (6 music groups) and meal will be held this evening from 5:00-8:00 p.m., at Willow Spring Downs (Maynard Knepp and Carol Duerksen's farm), 1582 Falcon, Hillsboro. Come for great music but plan on eating too! Bring table service, lawn chairs and friends for a fun evening. Proceeds (free will donations) will go to Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale. See the poster on the bulletin board or check out the website at <http://mcc.org/get-involved/events/song-lawn> for more details and directions.

Movie & More Documentary, "Alive Inside" about Music & Memory. Come learn about the transformative power of music in the lives of those who have dementia. All are welcome on June 16 at 6:30 p.m. for refreshments and 7:00 p.m. movie at Hesston Mennonite Church. Donations accepted. Hosted by Bluestem Communities.

The Democratic Republic of Congo is home to one of the world's largest Mennonite populations. You are invited to learn more about the joys and challenges facing Congolese Mennonites. Come and hear Pastor Adolphe Komuesa, president of Mennonite Church of Congo, as he shares about his church community and country. Mennonite mission network's Janet Stucky will also share about her work in Benin, West Africa. This event is sponsored by Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission, and will take place on Sunday June 28 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Bethel College Mennonite Church, 2600 College Ave, North Newton. Dessert and coffee will be served. RSVP by calling 574-535-0077.

Volunteers and bakers needed for Kidron Bethel Kidron Bethel's July 4 Fireworks Extravaganza includes a cake walk and bake sale to benefit residents through the Health Care Benevolent Fund. Bakers are needed to make cakes or other baked goods. Bring your donations to Kidron's Welcome Center front desk at 6 p.m. Saturday, July 4. During the event that evening, volunteer slots are open between 7:30 and 9, leading kids' outdoor games, working in cake-walk or bake-sale areas, or selling ice cream sundaes. To volunteer for baking or manpower needs, contact Michelle Rider, 620-327-3497, or micheller@bluestemks.org.

Together we can – The Mennonite Central Committee mobile cannery has provided millions of pounds of canned meat to areas of need in countries around the world. The time has come to replace it, and we need your help. The current mobile cannery is more than 20 years old, and must be replaced – at a cost of approximately \$600,000. With your contributions, this ministry can continue helping those in need. Please make checks payable to MCC and indicate "new mobile cannery" in the memo line and send to MCC, PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501-0500.

Howard Garver, Associate Conference Minister and Director of Church Planting for Western District Conference, has resigned effective August 15, 2015. Howard expressed appreciation for the warm reception and the many affirmations he has received. However, the lack of peace about relocation to Texas and his assessment of the relationship led him to submit his resignation. The appointment of future staff will be the assignment of the new conference minister, Heidi Regier Kreider, after she begins on August 17.

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: Deb Regier and Katrina Regehr

Nursery Next Sunday: Kris Janzen and Jo Frye

Ushers Next Sunday: Mike Balzer and Kendall Claassen

Offering Last Sunday: Mennonite Church USA \$2,956.00

Offering Next Sunday: Offender Victim Ministries

CHURCH OFFICES

Pastor's Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 a.m.-Noon, Thursday 1:00-4:00 p.m.

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