

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

June 15, 2014

Whitewater, Kansas

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: Peter Goerzen

Associate Pastor: Katherine Goerzen

Musician: David Janzen

Song Leader: Gladys Reimer

Worship Leader: Pastor Peter

Corinthian Correspondence: No Other Foundation

Gathering Our Praise

Prelude *Allegro; Poco Adagio and Rondo* by W.A. Mozart

Vada Snider and Valerie Klaassen

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 adapted from 1 Corinthians 3: 6-9

One: Grace to you and peace from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ.

Many: We give thanks to God because of God's grace given in Christ Jesus.

One: For in him you have been enriched in every way.

Many: God has strengthened the testimony of Christ among us.

One: God will strengthen you to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: God is faithful. By him we were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ.

Gathering Prayer

* **Gathering Hymn No. 307** *Will you let me be your servant*

Offering Our Gifts Offender Victim Ministries

Offertory *On Jordan's Stormy Banks* arr. by Douglas Smith

Hearing God's Story

Children's Story

Sara Harms

* **Hymn No. 362** *Help us to help each other*

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

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 3: 1-11, 21-23

Katie Regier

Sermon *How firm a foundation*

Hannah Heinzekehr

Responding to God's Story

* **Hymn of Response No. 567** *How firm a foundation*

Worship Music *Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken* arr. by Douglas Smith
Vada Snider and Valerie Klaassen

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Sent with the Good News

* **Sending Hymn Sing the Journey No. 52** *Jesus, help us live in peace*

Benediction

Postlude *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands* arr. by Douglas Smith

*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!**

Summer Sunday School

Joint Adult and Youth Summer Sunday School will meet in the sanctuary. Pastor Peter will be leading the adult sessions in a New Testament overview. **Today's topic:** Luke-Acts **Next Sunday:** John The Junior Department will be meeting together in the basement. There will be S.S. classes on June 29, but not on July 6. Also we will not have S.S. classes during the month of August.

For Sharing and Prayer

Welcome to Hannah Heinzkehr, who will be sharing the message with us this morning. Hannah is Director of Communications for Mennonite Church USA.

The Administrative Council made the decision to hire a transitional pastor. This means we, as a congregation, will take some time to reflect on our attitudes, behaviors, and structure. This process takes a little more time than using an ordinary interim pastor. It will probably be at least 12 months before we have a settled pastor in place, but the council believes that it is important that we focus on vision, mission and revitalization at this time. The next step is for the Administrative Council to hire a transitional pastor who will guide us through this process. If you have any questions or concerns, talk to Kim Claassen or a member of the Administrative Council (Kathy Balzer, Carol (Kendall) Claassen, Cal Frye, K. John Klaassen, Jeff Toews).

Western District Conference: Pray for Iglesia Camino de Santidad and Pastor Moises Romero as they continue to reach out in Liberal, Kansas. Pray for members who have moved to Omaha, Nebraska and now want to start a new church there.

Mennonite Mission Network: Today, Mennonite women in Bolivia are concluding a three-day retreat. May the renewal the women have received sustain them as they return to their daily lives, and may the new insights and encouragement from God's word enrich them. MMN partners with the Evangelical Mennonite Church of Bolivia.

Church Events

This evening at 5:45 p.m. Grace Hill Night at the Movies – *Animated Stories of the Bible: Joseph, Daniel and the Good Samaritan*. 30 minutes each. G.

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

Sunday, June 29 at 11:30 a.m. All church hamburger fry in the shelter. The Social Council will provide the food. All are welcome!

July 27 Farewell Sunday for Pastors Peter and Katherine. There will be a carry-in meal at noon.

September 28 at 12:45 p.m. Semi-annual church business meeting.

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 Katie Regier

Nursery Next Sunday: Jo Frye and Kris Janzen

Ushers Next Sunday: Josh Patterson and Rob Schunn

Offering Last Sunday: Local Church \$6,609.00

Offering Next Sunday: Western District Conference

Et Cetera

Shine! is the premier Anabaptist faith formation tool. Discover how to teach and model weekly Spiritual Practices with children at the June 22 launch at Lorraine Ave. Mennonite Church, Wichita, 3 p.m. Call or email by June 18 to register your team: 316-283-6300, wdc@mennowdc.org.

Be a volunteer July 4 and Kidron Bethel Village will treat you to a free pulled-pork BBQ meal, live music and a great fireworks show! Celebration Day Fireworks Extravaganza kicks off at 5:30 p.m. Friday, July 4, at 3001 Ivy Drive in North Newton. It's the annual benefit for Kidron Bethel's Health Care Benevolent Fund. Help serve food or work on other tasks. To volunteer, call Kent Dove, 316-836-4851 or see the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

Honor Western District's Associate Conference Minister, Gilberto Flores, at our Annual Assembly on July 4-6 at Lakeview Camp in Waxahachie, TX. A reception will be held on July 5 to celebrate 50 years of ministry as pastor, church planter, seminary professor and conference minister. Early registration discounts expire on June 20. Visit: mennowdc.org for information.

Nurse and kitchen helpers needed at Camp Mennoscah. A nurse is needed July 13-19 and kitchen helpers are needed June 22-28 and July 27-Aug. 1. Contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 for more information.

CHURCH OFFICES

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