

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

June 16, 2013

Whitewater, Kansas

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: Peter Goerzen

Associate Pastor: Katherine Goerzen

Musicians: Ellen Mosiman and Samantha Claassen

Song Leader: Pastor Katherine

Father's Day

Gathering and Praising

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 from Psalm 103

One: Praise the Lord, O my soul!

Many: All that is within me, praise God's holy name!

One: Praise the Lord, O my soul,
and do not forget all his benefits:
who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the Pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
who satisfies you with good as long as you live
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's

**Many: The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love**

One: For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is God's steadfast love towards those who honor him

**All: As a father has compassion for his children,
so the Lord has compassion for those who worship him.**

Gathering Prayer

- * **Gathering Hymns No. 327** *Great is thy faithfulness*
Sing the Journey No. 44 *The love of God* verses 1 & 3

Offering Our Gifts Offender Victim Ministries

Special Music *Hearing* Samantha Claassen and Ellen Mosiman

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

New Testament Reading Ephesians 6: 1-4 Cody Claassen

Gospel Reading Mark 5: 21-24, 35-43 Pastor Peter

Sermon Pastor Peter

Responding

- * **Song of Response Sing the Journey No. 45** *In the morning when I rise*

Congregational Prayer

- * **Sending Song No. 545** *Be thou my vision*

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

For Sharing and Prayer

The flowers this morning are in honor of Edgar and Agnes Harder's 60th wedding anniversary. They will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary with an open house in the Grace Hill fellowship hall this afternoon from 3-5 p.m. The couple requests no cards or gifts.

Western District Conference: Pray God's peace for Western District congregations transferring their membership to South Central Conference this weekend: Bethel Mennonite Church, Inman; Herold Mennonite Church, Cordell; and Metro Mennonite Church, Oklahoma City.

Mennonite Mission Network: Edward Dartey, a MMN prayer partner in Ghana, praises God for peaceful national elections. He requests prayer for the populations who are without services as many civil servants are striking to protest inadequate salaries, and for farmers who are being driven off their land by expatriate mining interests.

Church Events

This afternoon at 5:00 p.m. Grace Hill softball game at Athletic Park – Kelsch Field.

June 19-25 Grace Hill/Zion week at the Harvey County Homeless Shelter. Please see the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to help provide food or volunteer.

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

Next Sunday following the worship service (in the sanctuary) there will be a Youth and Parents meeting to discuss Convention in Phoenix.

Announcements

Food 4 Kids Grace Hill's day to provide summer food for kids for the Whitewater and Potwin communities is coming up. If you would like to donate to help cover the expenses for this, there is an offering basket in the foyer. Please make checks out to Grace Hill Mennonite Church. Thank you for your participation in this ministry in the community!

An offering will be taken during the month of June for Mennonite Disaster Service for tornado relief. A basket is in the foyer for those who would like to give. Please make checks out to Grace Hill Mennonite Church.

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: Ashley Enns and Tara Harms-Becker
Nursery Next Sunday: Jo Frye and Kris Janzen

Ushers Next Sunday: Josh Patterson and Rob Schunn
Offering Last Sunday: Local Church \$5,494.00
Offering Next Sunday: Western District Conference

Et Cetera

Dates are set for volunteer training at the Harvey County Homeless Shelter. 6:30 -7:30 p.m. at the Shelter Office: June 20, July 11 & 16, August 1, 13 & 22, September 10 & 26. Please see Donna Balzer if you have questions.

New Creation Fellowship Church Garage and Bake Sale - Saturday, June 22, 8am-noon (107 W. 27th, North Newton). Proceeds will support Wes and Deb Bergen in their Mennonite Mission Network assignment in Ghana. Stop by to purchase gently used goods, have a cup of coffee and homemade cinnamon roll, and learn about the church in Ghana. Contact Deb at: deb.bergen@gmail.com if you have items to donate.

The West Zion Mennonite Church Concert Series continues with a concert on Sunday evening, June 23 at 7 p.m. The church is located at 101 S. Washington Avenue in Moundridge. Featured performers include Jill Wiebe, harp; Christopher Shaw, organ; Rosewood Winds (a woodwind trio comprised of Amanda Friesen, flute; Valerie Klaassen, clarinet; and Kristin Kliever, oboe); Jan Gilmore, vocalist; and Donna Stucky, piano. During the concert, a free-will offering will be received and after the concert there will be a time of fellowship, with refreshments served.

Missing--one nurse, 3-4 kitchen helpers! Thank you to everyone who has been so generous with their time and skills and are volunteering with our summer camps! Camp Mennoscah needs a nurse for the week of July 21-27 and kitchen helpers for the weeks of June 23-29 (yikes! This week is coming up soon!) July 7-11, and July 28-Aug. 2. Contact camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 to let us know you can help.

Volunteers Needed – Kidron Bethel Village Old Fashioned Celebration Day and Fireworks Extravaganza, Friday, July 5. Come support the annual benefit for Kidron Bethel's Health Care Benevolent Fund. Volunteer shifts are open from 5:15 - 6:30 or from 6:15 - 7:30 p.m. Many supporters are needed to help serve the pulled pork BBQ meal, and several volunteers with medical training are needed to staff the First-Aid station. To volunteer or for information, contact volunteer coordinators Kent Dove, 316-836-4851, or Chris Scott, 316-836-4838.

Family Camp--for everyone! Camp Mennoscah's Family Camp, July 27-28, is back with an intergenerational flair. There will be time to enjoy the river and the pool, a Family Talent Show and campfire, and we'll worship together as part of God's family! The brochure is available at www.campmennoscah.org. We'll see all of you there--parents and kids, grandparents and aunts, young adults and youth!

What is "Year of the Bible"?

- An opportunity to focus on the Scriptures for one year.
- A way to nurture your Christian faith, growth and development.
- Much more than simply reading through the Bible, although you may want to do just that!
- Immersing yourself in new faith practices as part of a congregation, small group or individually.
- For all ages, all abilities!
- Filled with possibilities!

Year of the Bible is happening in Western District Conference! Check out the website yearofthebiblenetwork.org.

A Buffet of Resources - that's what you will find at the Year of the Bible Launch, Aug 1-2 on the campus of Bethel College in North Newton. Attend and network, get ideas, make a plan, engage in conversation and receive inspiration from dozens of leaders. Teachers, parents, pastors, all welcome! Brochures and info at www.mennowdc.org or on the bulletin board.

Shaped by God's Story: Word and Spirit in the book of Acts is the theme for our annual Western District Annual Assembly to be held at Bethel College, North Newton, on August 2-3. Our worship and learning will center on stories from the book of Acts, and we invite you to read it in preparation for our gathering. Brochures and info at www.mennowdc.org or on the bulletin board.

CHURCH OFFICES

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