

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

June 20, 2004

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Pastor: James Voth

Keyboard: Teresa Martin

Whitewater, Kansas

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Office: 283-2644

Chorister: Gladys Reimer

Father's Day

Prelude

Musical Call to Worship *Praise Him Now* Peterson
Tara Harms-Becker, Roberta Harms, Jene` Yoder

* **Invocation**

* **Hymn No. 89** *For The Beauty Of The Earth*

Welcome and Announcements

A special welcome to each of our guests! 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.

Offering Grace Hill Scholarship Fund
Offertory *Give Thanks* Smith, arr. Seal
Tara Harms-Becker

Children's Moments "Stump the Pastor"

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Special Music *Peace Like a River, Kum Ba Yah* arr. Shafferman
There's an Old Song arr. Childs
Tara & Darla Harms-Becker, Roberta Harms

Scripture Reading 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12 Levi Goossen

Children to age 5 may be dismissed to the library for childcare

Message *The Authentic Evangelist/Father*

1. Live your faith regardless of the circumstances. Verses 1-2
2. In everything seek to Please God, not men. Verse 3
3. Be gentle. Verse 7
4. Share your lives with one another – this is love. Verse 8
5. Deal with each other in the church as a father deals with his children. Verses 11-12

* **Hymn No. 545** *Be Thou My Vision*

* **Benediction**

* **Song of Benediction** *May The Good Lord Bless And Keep You*
Tara & Darla Harms-Becker, Roberta Harms, Jene` Yoder

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.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES BEGIN AT 10:45 A.M.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

For Sharing and Prayer

On behalf of the Youth Pastor Search Committee we are pleased and excited that Brett Klingenberg has accepted the call of a 3-year commitment as Grace Hill Youth Pastor. A date for formal installation will be announced at a future date.

Thank you to everyone who participated in any way for the Kidron Bethel Village Celebration Day on Saturday June 12. There were those from Grace Hill who brought items for the garage sale and the bake sale, those who worked at the pig roast supper, and those who attended the activities. Over \$18,000 was raised for the Kidron Assisted Living Project. Your help was appreciated.

The Youth Group will be leaving June 23 for a service project at Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp. There are several cabins under construction at the camp that they will be working to complete. They will be returning home June 27. Please keep the Youth Group and sponsors in your prayers as they travel and spend time at Rocky Mountain Camp.

Western District Conference: Pray for the Mennonite Men of the Plains as they raise scholarship money for seminary students and support the “culture of call” in our area conferences.

Mennonite Mission Network: Praise God for the new church building for Honancho Mennonite Church, Tokyo. Pray that Mennonite churches in Japan will reach out to a new generation of younger people.

Summer Sunday School

- ◆ **The Junior Department** will meet as follows: The kindergarten through 8th grade kids will be meeting in the basement fellowship hall and the Early Childhood Class (ages 2-5 years) will be meeting in Room #6 in the education wing.
- ◆ **Adult & Youth Summer Sunday School will meet in the sanctuary.** Sandra Seward will be speaking today on *Meditation: Soaking Up God's Word* Psalm 77 **Next Sunday's speaker:** Marie Wiebe – *Prayer: Coming unto God's Presence* Isaiah 37:9-20, 36-37; Acts 4:23-31
- ◆ **The Junior Sunday School Department** is beginning a new offering project this summer which will be carried on into the fall – the Common Ground Garden. This program is part of the ministry of Jerry and Jene` Yoder at their Topeka Voluntary Service Unit. The Common Ground Garden is an urban community garden which is used as a way to reach out to youth who are troubled in the Topeka area schools. The young people work in the garden which, in turn, provides food that is donated to local resource centers and the Rescue Mission to feed the homeless. The children's Sunday School offering will be used to purchase specific tools needed for the garden.

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Worship Council will meet at church.

Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Education Council will meet at church.

Wednesday, June 30 at 6:30 p.m. Praise Team will meet.

Saturday, July 10 from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon A workday has been planned at Gladys Reimer's home to trim trees and do some clean-up. Lunch will be served. Contact John Claassen, Terry Klassen or Tim Schmidt if you have questions.

August 15 6:00-8:00 p.m. All church swimming party at the Newton Public Pool.

Announcements

You can HEAR the worship service even better using the church's FM radio transmitter. All that is needed is a small AM/FM radio with headphones. Tune to FM 104.9 and you may receive the worship service seated anywhere in the sanctuary. Several radios are available at church or bring your own. If you have any questions our sound technicians will be glad to assist you.

You're invited to join "Prayers of the Church" each Sunday morning from 9:00 – 9:10 a.m. in the library. Please feel free to place prayer requests in the prayer box in the foyer.

Nursery This Sunday: Diana Schunn and Deb Hiebert

Nursery Next Sunday: Paul or Carmen Wade and Teresa Martin

Keyboard Next Sunday: Debbie Claassen

Ushers Today: Kendall Claassen and Terry Klassen

Ushers Next Sunday: Tim Schmidt and Rob Schunn

Offering Last Sunday: Local Church \$5,063.41

Offering Next Sunday: Western District Conference

CHURCH OFFICES

Pastor: James Voth Pastor's Study: 283-2644 E-mail: jvoth@cox.net

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Church Website: <http://gracehill.ks.us.mennonite2.net/>

Et Cetera

Mennonite Men of the Plains will host a Father's Day benefit at Eden Mennonite Church, Moundridge this afternoon at 3:30 p.m. This will be a variety show with interesting local talent. The proceeds will help provide scholarships for seminary and Ministry Inquiry Program students from WDC and SCC congregations.

Wheat State Manor will hold a Medicare Prescription Drug Card Sign-Up on Thursday, June 24 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. by appointment only. Wheat State will make available a computer lab and staff who will serve as counselors to help people research prescription drug cards. To make an appointment, call 316-799-2181. See the flyer on the bulletin for more information.

The West Zion Concert Series continues with its summer concert on Sunday, June 27, at 7:00 p.m. Featured performers are Generations III Trumpet Trio; Chris Shaw, Organ; Alison Stucky, Marimba; Gary Riley, Baritone; & Donna Stucky, Piano. A free will offering will be taken and refreshments will be served after the concert in Fellowship Hall. The church is located at 101 S. Washington Ave. in Moundridge.

The M2 (Match two) program of Offender / Victim Ministries is holding an orientation for new volunteers July 1, 2004, 6:30 p.m., at the Hutchinson Correctional Facility East Unit. M2 is an in-prison friendship program that seeks to help inmates make the necessary life changes to become successful when they are released. Most of the inmates in M2 receive no other visits than those of their M2 friend. Eighty-four men are currently awaiting M2 matches. A volunteer commits to visit one evening per month. Contact Gary Isaac at OVM (316-283-2038) for more information.

Register for the Western District Conference sessions July 2-4 in Oklahoma City. There is something for all ages; for delegates and non-delegates. All worship is based on the Good Samaritan parable; all business flows from our worship together. There will be preaching, singing, sharing, discerning, walking for peace, and creating new friendships. Prepare for the Western District Conference by reading Luke 10:25-37; by praying for the work and worship of the sessions, and by reading the report booklet if you are a delegate. Brochures are available in the foyer or call the WDC office at 316-283-6300 or email at wdc@mennowdc.org.