

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

June 24, 2007

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Pastor: James Voth

Keyboard: Linda Harms

Whitewater, Kansas

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Youth Pastor: Brett Klingenberg

Chorister: Ben Lichti

* **Benediction**

Pastor Brett

* **Benediction Song** *Sanctuary* (3 times)

Twigs

Postlude

Twigs

* 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

Caroline Joy Schmidt went to be with the Lord on Monday, June 18, 2007 at the age of 68. She passed away at St. Francis Hospital. She was a member of Grace Hill and has been living in a ResCare home in Wichita in recent years. A graveside service was held Thursday morning, 11:00 a.m. at the Grace Hill Cemetery. Let us keep her family in prayer: sisters Pauline Schmidt of Wichita and sister Bertina and Albert Ensz of Hesston.

Pastor Jim and Barb will begin vacation this Tuesday, June 26. They will then attend the Mennonite Church USA convention in San Jose, California July 2-7. They will return home July 12.

The youth group, sponsors and youth pastor will also be attending the Mennonite Church USA convention in San Jose. They are leaving early Sunday, July 1 and returning late on Sunday, July 8. Those attending - Youth: Emily Burch, Brittany Claassen, Camille Claassen, Cody Claassen, Courtney Claassen, Adam Freking, Philip Harms, Tara Harms-Becker, Cory Hiebert, Grant Hill, Daniel Klaassen, Emily Klassen, Andrew McNary, Amanda Regehr, Caleb Regehr, Katie Regier, Matt Regier, Casey Schunn, Curtis Toews, Emily Toews, Kristen Toews. Sponsors: Brett and Cassie Klingenberg, Kendall and Carol Claassen, Katherine Claassen and Diana Schunn (delegates, also helping with youth).

Thank you to Pastor Jim and others for your concern and support while I was convalescing after surgery. It was very much appreciated.

Ross Litton

Prelude

Flaming Twigs

Twigs Members: Daniel Klaassen, Cory Hiebert, Justin Klassen, Andy Slater, Brett Klingenberg, Amanda Regehr, Tara Harms-Becker, Emily Toews

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.

Call to Worship and Gathering Prayer

Matt Regier

* **Hymn No. 17** *We gather together*

Children's Moments

Lisa Schmidt

Sharing and Prayer

Pastor Brett

Sending for San Jose Participants

Worship in Giving

Western District Conference

Offertory

Linda Harms

Special Music

I will lift my eyes – Bebo Norman

Above all else – Dave Baker

Twigs

Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

Kristen Toews

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

Message

Missional: The Unnecessary yet Encouraging

Adjective of the Church

Pastor Jim

* **Hymn No. 540** *Strong, righteous man of Galilee*

Dorothy Nickel Friesen, upon the recommendation of the Western District Conference Executive Committee and the approval of the WDC Executive Board, has accepted the invitation to serve a second five-year term as Conference Minister beginning January, 2008. In her next term, Dorothy is looking forward to calling out new leaders in the changing church, implementing the priorities of WDC - including exercising spiritual gifts and planting new churches.

Thank you to all who contributed, volunteered and attended Kidron Bethel Village's Celebration Day, which raised nearly \$39,000. Proceeds will purchase equipment for Bethel Health Care Centre. We are so blessed to have the generous support (time, talent and gifts) from your congregation.
Kidron Bethel Village Board and Staff

Western District Conference: Pray for all of the delegates, youth, and sponsors who will travel to San Jose this week to attend the Mennonite Church USA Convention that God's Spirit would inspire them all to "Live the Call".

Mennonite Mission Network: A team from the Mongolia Mission Partnership in Ohio will serve in Mongolia from June 26 to July 12. Pray that they will have a good mission experience and be able to meaningfully share with Ohio congregations.

Summer Sunday School

Joint Adult and Youth Summer Sunday School will meet in the sanctuary today. **Today's Topic:** *Walking the Bible: A Journey by Land Through the Five Books of Moses* a DVD by Bruce Feiler. **Next Sunday:** Holiday – Fellowship Hour

The Junior Department (grades K-6) will be studying the *Parables of Jesus* in the basement. Grades 7-8 may help with the junior department or attend the adult sessions. A separate class will be maintained for the Preschool group (ages 2-5 yrs.) in Room 7.

Church Events

Today at 4:00 p.m. Wheat State Manor Vesper Service. Seekers S.S. Class is in charge. Also this week at Wheat State: Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. – mending; Friday at 3:00 p.m. – Bingo.

This evening at 6:30 p.m. Galen and Roberta Harms, and Dean and Rita Patterson will be sharing about their January trip to the Philippines. They will be sharing this with the Mariner's Sunday School Class in the Fellowship Hall this evening at 6:30 p.m. We would like to extend an invitation to the church family/friends to attend this event.

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Youth Group meets at church.

Upcoming Events

July 22 Farewell and Sending Service for Brett and Cassie Klingenberg. Followed by an all church meal at noon which will be prepared by the Social Council. There will be no Sunday School.

Homeless Shelter - Grace Hill/Zion week is August 1-7. Mark it down on your calendars.

August 5 Outdoor Service at Harvey County East Lake, Volunteer Hall. A welcoming service for Katherine Goerzen will be included in the service. Breakfast at 8:30 a.m., worship service at 9:30 a.m.

August 12 at 6:00-8:00 p.m. Church Swimming Party at Newton Pool, Athletic Park. Refreshments in the park will follow.

September 23 Installation Service for Katherine Goerzen.

Coming in October – 30 days of Generosity.

CHURCH OFFICES

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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: Katherine Claassen and Lisa Harms

Special Music & Keyboard Next Sunday: Rosewood Winds

Ushers Next Sunday: Lon Hiebert and Dean Patterson

Offering Last Sunday: Scholarship Fund \$1,416.75

Offering Next Sunday: Mennonite Church USA

Et Cetera

Camp Mennoscah needs volunteers ASAP to help insulate and sheetrock the new staff apartment. If available, contact Kevin Neufeld at 316-284-0450 or kneufeld@iwichita.com

The Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church, Wichita is pleased to announce the fourth event of the 75th anniversary concert/lecture series. Keith Plenert, violinist, will present a concert this afternoon. This event will be held at Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church, 655 S. Lorraine, Wichita at 3:00 p.m. The public is cordially invited to attend and admission is free. Donations will be accepted for the "extreme make-over" of Youth Development Services, an on-going 75th anniversary project of the Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church.

Summer Concert! Plan now to attend the (final) Possum Boys concert on Sunday, August 12, at 7:00 p.m. at Bethel College Mennonite Church, North Newton. This benefit concert will donate all proceeds to Western District Conference Vision 2012 - for camping, congregational leadership, church planting, and resource ministries.

Help Wanted: Young adults needed to serve and be challenged in faith through DEO (Discipleship, Encounter, Outreach). Positions for service in Denver and Phoenix include interacting with women at a day shelter, meeting needs through a medical clinic, working at a men's homeless shelter, providing resources for the poor and living in community with developmentally disabled adults. It is not too late to apply! If God is calling you to one of these positions, please contact Kay Schroeder at KayS@mennonitemission.net. More information at www.d-e-o.org.