

# Grace Hill Mennonite Church

Worship – 9:30am / Sunday School – 10:45am

June 25, 2017

PRELUDE

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING SONG

\* *“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”* HWB 37

- GATHERING INTERLUDE -

CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER

\* *“I’m pressing on the upward way”* STJ 96

OFFERING TO GOD WESTERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Offertory

\* *Doxology* (Psalm 100) HWB 119

SHARING & CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READINGS Psalms 119: 97-105; II Timothy 3: 14-17

SERMON “MY JOURNEY WITH THE BIBLE” MARV ZEHR

SENDING SONG *“Heart with loving heart united”* HWB 420

\* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

\*Indicates those comfortable in doing so, please stand.

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- After the offering children to age 5 may be dismissed to the library for childcare.
- 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!

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## Serving in Worship

Pastor	Weldon Martens
Guest Pastor	Marvin Zehr
Keyboard	Joel Brejda
Song Leader	Bonita Schroeder
Greeters	Adrian & Courtney Nethercot
Ushers	Josh Patterson & Rob Schunn
Nursery	Courtney Nethercot & Lily Hilgenfeld

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## For Sharing and Prayer

**Western District Conference:** Pray for delegates, youth, and others from WDC traveling to Orlando, FL, for Mennonite Church USA convention in early July.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** *Eid al Fitr* begins at sundown today. This Muslim holiday marks the end of the fasting month of Ramadan, which emphasizes empathy for the poor and focuses on the spiritual life. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for workers who are building bridges between Christians and Muslims in many countries.

Pastor Weldon and Jenny will be away through June 27 on a trip to Europe. Pastor Marvin Zehr will fill the pulpit and give pastoral care as called upon.

Pastor Marv’s phone: 316-283-8308

Email: mjzehr@cox.net

## Church Events

**July 9** – Put on your flip flops and join us in the fellowship hall for a fun evening of Beach Ball BUNCO, Sunday, July 9th at 6 p.m. No skill or swimsuit required!!!

## **Announcements**

**The Western District Annual Assembly** is August 4-6 in Arlington, Texas. Grace Hill can send seven delegates. If you are interested in being a delegate, please talk to Tim Harms.

**Nursery Next Sunday:** Kathy Balzer and Katherine Claassen

**Greeters Next Sunday:** Allen and Elaine Patterson

**Ushers Next Sunday:** Lucas Goossen and Lon Hiebert

**Offering Last Sunday:** Offender Victim Ministries \$959.00

**Offering Next Sunday:** Mennonite Church USA

## **CHURCH OFFICES**

Pastor's Office Hours:

Wednesday - Afternoon, Friday - day off

***Pastor: Weldon Martens***

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*Our vision at Grace Hill Mennonite Church is for a revitalized ministry seeking authentic community that honors Christ by:*

*discerning our gifting;*

*developing a leadership team;*

*deepening our core ministries of*

*care, education and hospitality.*

## Et Cetera

**Your family is invited to celebrate July 4 at the Fireworks Extravaganza** at 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 4, at Kidron Bethel Village, 3001 Ivy Drive in North Newton. The fireworks show begins at dusk. Hotdogs, beverages and snacks will be available. The evening includes kids' games, opportunity quilt drawing, bake sale and ice cream sundae sales. Bring your lawn chairs. Flashlights are recommended for navigating to and from parking areas. Information: 316-836-4863

**WDC delegates to the Mennonite Church USA convention in Orlando are:** Norma Duerksen, Rosie Epp, Anita Kehr, Heidi Regier Kreider, Byron Pellecer, Terry Rediger, Ray Reimer and Kristen Swartley. Three persons from WDC have also been appointed to participate in the Step Up program for senior high youth attending delegate sessions: Erick J. Martinez, Magdalena Ramer Wenger and Andrew Moore. Please pray for these folks as they represent Western District Conference at the delegate assembly and Future Church Summit.

**A message for congregational delegates attending Orlando 2017:** Thank you for joining others from WDC who will be attending the Mennonite Church USA delegate assembly and Future Church Summit. We encourage your support for the resolution "Seeking Peace in Israel-Palestine" prepared for consideration by delegates. Together with several others from WDC, we participated in April 2016 on a *Come and See* tour to Israel/Palestine, sponsored by Mennonite Church USA and Mennonite Central Committee. We gained deeper understanding of the historical, political, economic and religious dynamics of conflict in the region, and were moved by the witness of people who are most deeply impacted by the systemic injustices and violence of that conflict. Based on these experiences and perspectives, We believe the resolution is a faithful response to God's will for peace and justice in Israel/Palestine. Blessings on your travels and participation at Orlando 2017. - Heidi Regier Kreider, Conference Minister, and Anita Kehr, Moderator

**Summer Reading Program--for all ages in all places!** Children AND adults, sign up for the WDC Resource Library's summer reading program at [www.mennowdc.org/library](http://www.mennowdc.org/library) or contact the library ([crlib@mennowdc.org](mailto:crlib@mennowdc.org) or 316-283-6300). Fun prizes for all ages and we mail books to those at a distance.

**WDC Annual Assembly is coming! "Rooted and Built Up in Christ,"** based on Colossians 2:6-7 is the theme for Western District Conference Annual Assembly 2017 to be held on August 4-6 at the Doubletree Hotel DFW South, 1507 North Watson Road, in Arlington, Texas. Information and online registration available at: <http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2017annualAssembly>. Registration forms are also available on the table in the foyer. Please register by July 19.

**A bus has been chartered from North Newton, KS to Arlington, TX for the WDC Annual Assembly** August 4-6. Bus departs from Kauffman Museum in North Newton on the morning of August 4, and can also pick up riders at the Best Western in Park City, KS. Anticipated return to North Newton is 8 pm on August 6. Complete information about Annual Assembly, the chartered bus option, and online registration is at: <http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2017annualAssembly>. Register early to secure your seat on the deluxe motorcoach! Seats available until filled.

**Be part of the fun at Camp Mennoscah!** Camp is a place where we are reminded that being a Christian is fun. Our summer youth camps run through the last week of July and we have openings for those going into grade 3 through senior high. Some of the age groups only have one camp week left--don't miss out! Give us a call at 620-297-3290 or register online at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org) Limited scholarship funds are available.

**Family Weekend at Camp Mennoscah!** Everyone is invited to join us on July 29-30 for a weekend of worship, swimming, crafts, campfire, and fun with others. We will provide meals, lifeguards, craft materials, and music--all for you! Unplug and spend some time in creation creating memories with your family and friends. Register online at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org) or call 620-297-3290.

**Young Adult Weekend at Camp Mennoscah, August 4-6!** Put it on your calendar, friends! We've a weekend of time for you to be unstructured and relaxed. There will be worship, swimming, time to play games or go for walks, be in solitude or with friends. Register online or call 620-297-3290. It doesn't get much better than having a chance to do what you want (mostly)!

**Thank you to everyone who supports our summer staff, counselors, and program staff who spend time at Camp Mennoscah!** The letters and packages you send are special treats during a week that is rewarding and fun but often exhausting. Thank you also to all the parents, friends and relatives who send letters to our campers! We all love to get mail and these notes are a good pick-me-up and a hug through words. Emails can be sent to [office@campmennoscah.org](mailto:office@campmennoscah.org) with the camper's name in the subject line.