

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

July 1, 2007

Whitewater, Kansas

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: James Voth

Youth Pastor: Brett Klingenberg

Music by Rosewood Winds

Chorister: Gladys Reimer

Worship Leader: Kim Claassen

Prelude *Simple Gifts* arr. by Frank Halferty
Grace, Greater than our Sin arr. by Gordon Schuster
American Folk Hymns arr. by Donna N. Robertson
Be Thou My Vision arr. by Gordon Schuster

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 *Morning Has Broken* arr. by J. Harold Moyer

Gathering Prayer

* **Hymn No. 26** *Holy Spirit, come with power*

Children's Moments Valerie Klaassen

Sharing and Prayer

Prayer Response Hymn No. 353 *Lord, listen to your children*

Worship in Giving Mennonite Church USA
Offertory *Two Gavottes* by J. S. Bach

Scripture Reading Galatians 5:13-26 Kris Janzen

Special Music *Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken* arr. by Rich Heffler
Rosewood Winds

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

Message *The church is a rainbow* Sarah Klaassen

* **Hymn** *Jesus, help us live in peace*
Refrain: Jesus, help us live in peace, from our blindness set us free.
Fill us with your healing love. Help us live in unity.

Verse 1: Many times we don't agree, on what's right or wrong to do.
it's so hard to really see, from the other's point of view.

Verse 2: How we long for pow'r and fame, seeking ev'ry earthly thing.
We forget the one who came, as a servant, not a king.

Repeat refrain

* **Benediction** Sarah Klaassen

* **Benediction Hymn No. 430** *God be with you*

Postlude *Allegro Maestoso* by G. F. Handel

* Indicates those comfortable in doing so, please stand

A special welcome to Sarah Klaassen as she brings the morning message this morning in the absence of Pastors Jim and Brett who are in attendance at the Mennonite Church USA Convention in San Jose, CA.

Also welcome to the Rosewood Winds. Members are Amanda Friesen, flute; Kristin Kliewer, oboe; Valerie Klaassen, clarinet. Thank you for sharing your music with us this morning.

For Sharing and Prayer

In the hospital: Ruth Zook, Newton Medical Center

The congregation is invited to the wedding ceremony and reception of Sara Burch and Dustin Martin on Saturday, July 14, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. at Grace Hill. The invitation is posted on the bulletin board.

Pastor Jim and Barb are attending the Mennonite Church USA convention in San Jose, California July 2-7. They will return home July 12. Pastor Brett and Cassie along with 2 sponsors, 2 delegates and 22 youth are also attending the convention in San Jose. They will return home July 8. Remember them in your prayers as they travel and participate in the conference.

For pastoral needs this week, please contact Ed and Marge Harms.

Western District Conference: Pray for the MC USA Assembly – all those traveling, speaking, singing, leading, and participating – that this will be a time to “Live the Call”!

Mennonite Mission Network: Mary Beyler, MMN worker in Japan, requests prayer for the preaching and teaching ministry of Wilbert Shenk July 1-8, encouraging the Hokkaido Mennonite churches in being missional. Also remember mission worker Kaz Enomoto as he translates into Japanese.

Summer Sunday School

Today: Holiday – Fellowship Hour

We will have a time of fellowship and refreshments in the fellowship hall following the worship service. The junior department will also join the adults and not have Sunday School.

Next Sunday’s Topic for the adults: Homeroom Sunday

Church Events

Next Sunday Marlin Kym will be bringing the message during worship.

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.

July 29 Dessert Auction There will be a fundraiser for Brett and Cassie Klingenberg's mission trip on July 29 at Zion Mennonite Church. Things will kick off with a Hamburger Fry starting at 5:30 p.m. Brett and Cassie will tell about their plans and give a short power point of where they will be going. There will also be a Silent Dessert Auction and a Hot Shot contest on the basketball court. Grace Hill is invited to attend and bring pies and cakes for the silent auction.

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.

Announcements

Please get announcements for the July 8 and July 15 bulletins to Debbie Claassen by 10 a.m. this Thursday, July 5.

Copies of the 2006 Annual Report for Ten Thousand Villages are available in the foyer.

Harvey County Food Pantry suggested items to donation this month: canned vegetables. A basket for goods is located in the foyer by the front entrance.

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.

Et Cetera

Multi-agency Global Fabric Project at San Jose and how YOU can participate.... You can help support the [San Francisco Mennonite Voluntary Service House](#) by bidding on a hand-stitched quilt being crafted this week at the San José Mennonite Convention. The “Global Coins” quilt was created from more than 30 different fabrics representing areas around the world where Mennonite service and mission agencies work and have partners. The quilt is the culmination of a year of collaboration between Mennonite Disaster Service, Eastern Mennonite Missions, Virginia Mennonite Missions, Mennonite Central Committee and Mennonite Mission Network. Bidding on the quilt began Friday, June 29 on eBay and will continue until July 7 at 6 p.m. PST. See <http://www.mennoniteusa.org/GlobalFabric> for the link to the eBay site and a picture of the quilt. The 90" x 104" quilt is a variation of a traditional “Chinese Coins” quilt pattern and features the international fabrics stacked in long columns that are sashed and bordered in solid black.

Due to some cancellations, Camp Mennoscah has some openings the weekends of July 7/8 and 14/15 at the main camp. If you, your church, family or someone you know might be interested in renting the main camp for either of those weekends, please contact the camp at 620-297-3290 or campmno@mennowdc.org.

Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum, July 8, “Coming to Terms with the Mennonite Great Trek.” James C. Juhnke, professor emeritus of history at Bethel College, will present an illustrated program on the recent tour to the Ukraine and Uzbekistan. The tour focused on the story of Russian Mennonites who followed visionary leader Claas Epp to Central Asia in 1880 to prepare for the Second Coming. Because of limited seating, the same program will be offered twice: 2:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Free and open to the public. Kauffman Museum at Bethel College is located at 27th and North Main in North Newton. Call 316-283-1612 for more information.

The date for the reception in celebration of Kidron, Inc.’s 25th anniversary will be July 15, come and go from 2-4 p.m. in the Community Room at Kidron, Inc., 500 W. Bluestem, North Newton. Kidron, Inc. is the income-based rental apartment project located at Kidron Bethel Village.

The early registration deadline for the Western District and South Central Conferences annual conference, July 27-29 in Tulsa, Oklahoma, is fast approaching. The best rates are available if you register by July 13. Sara Dick, associate pastor of Shalom Mennonite Church in Newton, is planning an appealing program for junior high age, so they will be well served even if parents do not attend, if sponsors arrange for group participation. Check the registration information available in the foyer or go online at www.mennowdc.org to get the brochure.

Family-friendly music for a good cause! Plan now to attend the (final) Possum Boys concert on Sunday, August 12 at Bethel College Mennonite Church, North Newton. Thank the "Boys" as one leaves for seminary and one for voluntary service while supporting Western District Conference. All proceeds go to WDC - Vision 2012 campaign.

Nursery This Sunday: Katherine Claassen and Lisa Harms
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Special Music Next Sunday: Lindsey Harms
Keyboard Next Sunday: Chelsea Vaught
Ushers Next Sunday: Doug Hiebert and Orville Schmidt

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