

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

July 7, 2013

Whitewater, Kansas

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: Peter Goerzen

Associate Pastor: Katherine Goerzen

Song Leader: David Janzen

Worship Leader: Pastor Peter

Musicians: David Janzen, Samantha Claassen,

Pastor Katherine, Eli Schmidt

Sing to the Lord

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 excerpts from the Psalms

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord

Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving

Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with songs of praise!

**Many: O come, let us worship and bow down
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker**

One: Sing praises to the Lord, O you, God's faithful ones
give thanks to God's holy name!

Many: I will sing of your might

I will sing aloud of your steadfast love in the morning

I will sing praises to you, O God, for you are my fortress

You are the One who shows me steadfast love

One: My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast.

I will sing and make melody. Awake, my soul!

Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn.

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;

I will sing praises to you among the nations

for your steadfast love is as high as the heavens;

your faithfulness extends to the clouds

**Many: I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;
with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all
generations**

All: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart

I will tell of all your wonderful deeds

I will be glad and exult in you

I will sing praise to your name, O Most High!

Gathering Prayer

Gathering Songs No. 14 *Come we that love the Lord* vs. 1 & 4

No. 521 *Come, thou fount* verse 1

STJ No. 9 *Come, now is the time to worship*

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Praise Songs No. 100 *Praise him, praise him!* vs. 1 & 3

STJ No. 43 *My faith has found a resting place* vs. 1 & 4
Shout to the North

STJ No. 13 *My soul is filled with joy* vs. 1 & 5

Children's Story

Pastor Katherine

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

Praise Songs No. 121 *Holy God, we praise thy name* vs. 1 & 2

No. 165 *A mighty fortress is our God* vs. 1 & 4

No. 332 *Blessed assurance* vs. 1 & 3

No. 528 *I stand amazed in the presence* vs. 1 & 4

Old Testament Reading Psalm 100

Kaye Penner

Praise Songs STJ No. 96 *I'm pressing on the upward way* vs. 1 & 4

STJ No. 97 *The Lord is my light* vs. 1 & 2
Waterfall

STJ No. 54 *Longing for light* vs. 1 & 2

Prayers of the People

Praise Songs STJ No. 27 *God of the Bible* vs. 1, 2 & 5

STJ No. 49 *Rain down* vs. 1 & 3

No. 37 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* vs. 1 & 4

No. 285 *All hail the power of Jesus' name* vs. 1 & 4

Old Testament Reading Psalm 150

Pastor Peter

Sending Song No. 580 *My life flows on* vs. 1 & 4

Benediction excerpts from the Psalms

One: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

sing the glory of God's name; give to the Lord glorious praise.

All the earth worships you; they sing praises to you, sing praises to your name. The hills gird themselves with joy, the meadows clothe themselves with flocks, the valleys deck themselves with grain, they shout and sing together for joy. O sing to the Lord a new song, for God has done marvelous things

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Sing Praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody. With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the Lord.

Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it. Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy.

All: *I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.*

Sending Song No. 118 *Praise God from whom*

Postlude

Church Events

Wednesday at 8:00 a.m. Senior Breakfast (65+) at the Whitewater Café.

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Administrative Council meets at church.

Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. Spiritual Council will meet Wednesday evening at the church, July 10 at 8:00 p.m. Notice change of time and location.

For Sharing and Prayer

Rose Mary Means of Colorado Springs, daughter of Clarence and Alida Harms, died last week. Burial in the Grace Hill cemetery is scheduled for 2:00 p.m. this afternoon, followed by a memorial service in the sanctuary at 2:30 p.m.

Thank you to the Social Council for the delicious BBQ lunch last Sunday. It was a wonderful time and your work was appreciated!

Western District Conference: Pray for the teachers and leaders preparing for the Year of the Bible Launch, August 1-2, in North Newton. Pray that our churches and pastors will be challenged to engage the Scriptures with greater intensity and intentionality “so that all God’s people may be thoroughly equipped for every good work” (II Timothy 3:17).

Mennonite Mission Network: Linda Oyer of MMN continues to struggle with eye problems. A severe cold caused a June eye surgery to be rescheduled. Pray that Linda’s health may be restored and that she may regain sight in her left eye to continue her ministries of teaching and writing in France and throughout the French-speaking world.

Announcements

No Sunday School classes will be held through the month of July. Classes will start again on August 4.

The Harvey County Food Pantry is in need of items throughout the year. 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.

Nursery This Sunday: Jackie Moore and Rachelle Claassen

Nursery Next Sunday: Tammy Regehr and Amanda Regehr

Ushers Next Sunday: Doug Hiebert and Russell Janzen

Offering Last Sunday: Mennonite Voluntary Service \$1,137.00

Offering Next Sunday: Local Church

Et Cetera

Sunday, July 7 – Kauffman Museum Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum program, 2 p.m. (Note: earlier than usual time); William Juhnke, professor emeritus of American history at Graceland University, Lamoni, Iowa, and Tom Morain, Graceland's director of government relations, in "Point/Counterpoint: Was the Civil War Necessary?," inviting the public into the debate as they explore the tense political climate of 1860-1861 and demonstrate how historians can disagree without being disagreeable; for more information, contact the museum at 316-283-1612.

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

Family Camp is July 27-28 at Camp Mennoscah! It's time to get those registration forms in, folks. We know you've been waiting to see if all the cool folks will be going and the answer is YES! Everyone who signs up for Family Camp is one of the coolest. Monty and Hope Graber will lead us in activities--river play, swimming, campfire, worship, and much more! Brochures can be found at www.campmennoscah.org or by calling 620-297-3290. We can't wait to have you at Camp Mennoscah for our weekend of family fun!

Engage God's Word through Experiential Worship during the Year of the Bible Launch, August 1-2 at Bethel College, North Newton. After we eat a chef-prepared Biblical foods buffet, we will dive into worship that is Biblically focused from start to finish! Register online at: www.mennowdc.org.

Explore what it means to Read the Bible through an Anabaptist lens at Western District Conference Assembly on August 2-3. Loren Johns, AMBS professor of New Testament will provide input and inspiration on the Anabaptist Approach to scripture and a dozen other fantastic leaders, professors, teachers and pastors will lead additional Biblically-based seminars. Brochures and registration information at www.mennowdc.org.

Western District Conference Mennonite Women Supper - Check church bulletin board for information about attending the Mennonite Women Supper during the WDC Conference on August 2. Reservations are required by July 19.

Iglesia Menonita Casa Betania, Newton, will celebrate their 5th anniversary on July 14. Contact Pastor Jaime Cazares for more information: 316-644-5800; jscazares@cox.net

The Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary-Great Plains is conducting a survey this summer (late July-early August) to assist in developing theological education in Kansas. This study will include Western District congregations. Please take the 10 minutes needed to respond to the survey if you are one of the randomly selected persons. All responses are confidential - *Clarence Rempel, WDC Conference Minister*

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