

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

July 11, 2004

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Pastor: James Voth

Whitewater, Kansas

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Office: 283-2644

Chorister: Pastor Jim

“On this little planet racked by war, cultural decimation, environmental degradation, and fear, faith people are called to work, dream, plant, risk, love, sing, and dance in the Dragon’s Jaws.” Ken Medema

Prelude

Guide Me Oh Thou Great Redeemer	Charlotte Church
Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise	Lucia Unrau
Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken	Lucia Unrau
Great is Thy Faithfulness	Selah
Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus	Selah

* **Congregational Call to Worship** Hymnal No. 834 Matthew 5:1-16

* Invocation

Hymn No. 102 *To God Be The Glory*

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 Local Church

Offertory *How Beautiful* Twila Paris

Children’s Moments Jeanne Schmidt

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father who are in heaven, hallowed be thine name
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread
And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, amen.

* **Hymn No. 544** *When We Walk With The Lord*

Scripture Reading Ephesians 2:12-18

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Reader: Keith Burch

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

Message *Teaching our children and ourselves to be peacemakers*

* **Hymn No. 540** *Strong, Righteous Man Of Galilee*

* **Benediction**

* **Benediction Hymn No. 429** *Go Now In Peace*

Postlude

<i>Oh Draw Me Lord (Reprise)</i>	Selah
<i>Yesu Azali Awa (Jesus is here with us)</i>	Selah
<i>Glory to God</i>	Tony Melendez, Jim Cowan
<i>All Creation Worships You</i>	Tony Melendez, Jim Cowan

* 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

Joan Elizabeth Unruh, sister of Edgar Harms and former Grace Hill member passed away July 2, 2004. The funeral service was Thursday, July 8 at Smith Mortuary, Haysville, Kansas and internment was in the church cemetery at 2:00 p.m. Thursday. Let us remember the family in prayer in the passing of this loved one.

Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for God’s direction and unity for the Brazilian Mennonite Pastors and Leaders Institute held July 16-18 to discuss the theme, “The Church in the 21st Century.” About 60 leaders will attend.

Western District Conference: Celebrate the new youth pastors joining WDC (Sam Schrag, Faith/Newton; Joel Schroeder, First/Newton; Brett Klingenberg, Grace Hill/Whitewater) and new pastors (Garland, Robertson, Austin/Texas; Lee Suderman, interim, Alexanderwohl-Goessel; Alden Dick, interim, Bethel/Inman; Marv Zehr, interim, First Mennonite Church of Christian/Moundridge; Merv and Jane Dick, interim, Boulder/Colorado).

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 meet in the sanctuary.**
Today: Kaye Penner – *Solitude: The Nourishing Quiet* Luke 4:31-44; 5:15-16; 9:10-17. *Next Sunday:* Suzanne Dextras – *Spiritual Direction: Receiving Encouragement 2* Timothy 3:1-17.

Nursery This Sunday: Barbara Voth and Carol Claassen (Kendall)

Nursery Next Sunday: Tammy Regehr and Amanda Regehr

Keyboard Next Sunday: Teresa Martin

Special Music Next Sunday: Jason Schmidt

Ushers Today: Mike Balzer and Doug Hiebert

Ushers Next Sunday: Kendall Claassen and Terry Klassen

Offering Last Sunday: Mennonite Church USA \$1,605.76

Offering Next Sunday: Western District Mennonite Men

Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. Business Council meets at church.

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

September 19 Installation Service for Brett Klingenberg. Noon meal.

September 26 at 7:00 p.m. Semi-annual church business meeting.

October 10 Children's Musical and meal.

October 23 & 24 Church Retreat at Camp Mennoscah.

Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NEXT SUNDAY'S BULLETIN – Please get them to Pastor Jim this week.

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.

CHURCH OFFICES

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

Pastor Jim is at the church office on Tuesday mornings.

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Et Cetera

Anniversary of the Kauffman Museum Prairie Reconstruction The following events are the first in a four-month series celebrating the twentieth anniversary of the prairie reconstruction project at Kauffman Museum. All events are open to the public, free and will be held at Kauffman Museum at 27th and North Main in North Newton; call 316-283-1612 with questions.

Kauffman Kids and Friends, this afternoon 2:00-3:00 p.m. "Introduction to Insects." Michael Unruh a recent graduate of Peabody High School will describe the main features and orders of and basic steps for collecting insects. Participants will make an "insect" snack to help them learn about insect parts. This program is designed for children age 6 to 12.

Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum, this afternoon 3:30-4:30 p.m. "Grasshoppers and Butterflies of the Flint Hills and Tallgrass Prairie." Dr. Valerie Wright, environmental educator and naturalist at Konza Prairie Biological Station near Manhattan, will give a PowerPoint presentation introducing insects of the prairie ecosystem. Dr. Ami Regier, assistant professor of English at Bethel College, will briefly read prairie poetry prior to Dr. Wright's lecture.

The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale will be selling fresh peaches, nectarines and grapes on July 16 and 17. The tree-ripened fruit will be sold directly from the truck as soon as it arrives. The schedule is Friday, July 16: Faith Mennonite Church, 1403 South Main, South Hutchinson, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 17: MCC Warehouse, North Newton, from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., or until sold out.

The Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR) seeks volunteer mediators to assist with its Small Claims Court Mediation Projects in Harvey and McPherson Counties. If anyone in your congregation is interested and would need mediation training, consider attending KIPCOR's Summer Mediation Training Institute July 20-23, 2004, at Bethel College, at a reduced tuition. The training is open to anyone interested in learning more about solving interpersonal problems. For details, call 316-284-5217.

Mennonite Women and Girls' Retreat, Camp Mennoscah, September 10-12. Keynote speaker is Rhoda Keener, Executive Director of Mennonite Women. Her theme is "The God of Sarah, Hagar, and Keturah ...Embracing Our Gifts and Calling." Music will be provided by Cousins Four. Optional Friday night arrival. Mother-Daughter Faith Adventure Saturday morning led by Marlene Bogard. Registration forms will be sent the beginning of August.