

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

July 13, 2014

Whitewater, Kansas

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: Peter Goerzen

Associate Pastor: Katherine Goerzen

Musician: Pastor Katherine

Song Leader: Bonita Schroeder

Worship Leader: Kylee Schunn

Corinthian Correspondence: And the Greatest of these is Love

Gathering our Praise

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 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9

Gathering Prayer

* **Gathering Hymn No. 12** *Come, let us all unite to sing*

Offering Our Gifts Local Church Missions

Hearing God's Story

Children's Story

Jeff Toews and Bob Claassen

* **Song No. 623** *When love is found*

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

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 13

Curt Regehr

Sermon

Pastor Peter

Responding to God's Story

* **Hymn of Response No. 592** *Love divine, all loves excelling*

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Sent with the Good News

* **Sending Song No. 307** *Will you let me be your servant*

Benediction 1 Corinthians 16: 13-14, 23-24

Postlude

*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.

The Adult Sunday School class will begin

10 minutes after the service is over.

Everyone is welcome!

Summer Sunday School

Joint Adult and Youth Summer Sunday School will meet in the sanctuary. Today: The Grace Hill Western District Assembly delegates will report during the S.S. hour. **Next Sunday:** Pastor Peter completes his New Testament overview discussing Revelation. The Junior Department will be meeting together in the basement. There will be no S.S. classes on July 27 or during the month of August.

For Sharing and Prayer

Pastors Peter and Katherine's last Sunday will be July 27. The Pastors' last day of open office hours, visitation or pastoral care will be July 22.

Transition Pastor Randy Smith will finish his term in Wadsworth, Ohio the middle of August and will begin at Grace Hill by preaching on August 31. The Worship Council is working to fill the pulpit for the rest of the month of August.

Thank you so much for all of your support following Nathan's birth! Thank you for the meals, the gifts, the prayers, and the encouragement! We have felt very blessed by the love that you have shown to us.

- Pastors Peter and Katherine, Sophia, and Nathan

Western District Conference: Pray for the newly formed Church Planting Commission of WDC as they network Anabaptist church planting partnerships.

Mennonite Mission Network: The South Africa and Paraguay Radical Journey teams will arrive in Chicago tomorrow for four days of re-entry sessions. Pray for discernment during this time of debriefing and preparation for returning to their home communities and what comes next in their lives.

Church Events

Today at 5:00 p.m. Wheat State Manor Vesper Service. Also this week at Wheat State: Tuesday at 9 a.m. – mending; Friday at 3 p.m. – Bingo.

This evening at 5:45 p.m. Grace Hill Night at the Movies – *Peter and Paul*. Tells the story of the early Christian movement boldly spreading the Gospel, even as it is beset by violent opposition from without and turmoil within. Peter and Paul emerge as leaders. Starring Anthony Hopkins and Robert Foxworth. 3 hours. PG.

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m. Worship Council meets at Mojo's.

Thursday at 6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast at Whitewater Café.

July 27 Farewell Sunday for Pastors Peter and Katherine. There will be a carry-in meal at noon.

September 28 at 12:45 p.m. Semi-annual church business meeting.

Announcements

We will be assembling MCC School Kits during the Sunday School hour on August 17. A reminder to collect school supplies for the MCC School Kits: (NEW items only): 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (70 sheets), 8 unsharpened pencils, 1 ruler (flat, flexible plastic, indicating both 30 cm and 12 inches), 12 colored pencils (in packaging), 1 large pencil eraser. Gladys Reimer will be coordinating the sewing of the bags, please contact her if you would like to help with the sewing.

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: Tammy Regehr and Jane Washburn

Nursery Next Sunday: Ashley Enns and Emma Hilgenfeld

Ushers Next Sunday: Mike Balzer and Kendall Claassen

Offering Last Sunday: Mennonite Church USA \$1,329.00

Offering Next Sunday: Mennonite Men of the Plains

CHURCH OFFICES

Pastors' Office Hours:

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m. – noon, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. or by appointment

Pastor: Peter Goerzen

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Associate Pastor: Katherine Goerzen

E-mail: youthpastor@gracehillmc.org

Church Secretary: Debbie Claassen

Secretary's E-mail: secretary@gracehillmc.org

Et Cetera

Jolene Brackett, nationally acclaimed speaker and author, will share tips for creating positive moments with family and friends who have Alzheimer's or other forms of dementia. This seminar is free to the public; seating is limited. Join us at 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 23 at the Water's Edge Restaurant, 703 S. Main, Hesston.

Family Camp is July 26-27! Join us at Camp Mennoscah for an inter-generational Family Camp with a treasure hunt, river fun, stargazing, swimming, campfire, and worship! Ruth Harder and Jesse Graber will be our trusty leaders for this weekend of grand adventures. The brochure can be found online at www.campmennoscah.org or give us a call at 620-297-3290 for more information!

Michael Unruh and Greg Shelley are ready for a stupendous singing extravaganza on August 10! They will host the annual Camp Sing to be held at Shalom Mennonite Church in Newton at 6 p.m. We'll have a blast singing camp songs, connecting with friends and staff, eating popcorn and sipping generic pop! The more the better – we can't wait to sing those Camp Songs one more time!

Women & Girls Retreat will be September 4-7 at Camp Mennoscah. See registration forms in the foyer (also available at: <http://mennowdc.org/calendar/>). Note there are separate registration forms for ages 8-12 and for ages 13-99! Registration deadline is August 22.

Newton Et Cetera Shop evening manager position: Key qualifications: available 4:00-8:00 p.m. Monday-Friday, great with people, ability to multitask, competent computer/technology skills, values in line with Mennonite Central Committee. College graduate preferred. Begins August 11, 2014. Email your interest with resume and 3 professional references by July 14 to manager@newtonetceterashop.com.