

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

July 22, 2012

Whitewater, Kansas

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: Peter Goerzen

Associate Pastor: Katherine Goerzen

Song Leader: Gladys Reimer

Worship Leader: Pastor Peter

Musicians: Samantha Claassen, Pastor Peter, Pastor Katherine

Singing Our Faith

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.

Songs of Praise

Call to Worship Hymn No. 580 *My life flows on* verses 1 & 4

Gathering Prayer

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

Offering Our Gifts Western District Conference

Here by the water

Scripture Reading Psalm 150

Rita Patterson

Worship Music

Cody Claassen

Songs of Lament

Hymn No. 336 *When peace like a river* verses 1 & 2

Hymn No. 575 *Precious Lord, take my hand* verses 1 & 2

Songs of Confession

Sing the Journey No. 47 *Oh, Lord have mercy* verses 1, 4 & 5

Songs of Trust and Devotion

Hymn No. 340 *'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus* verses 1 & 4

Hymn No. 544 *When we walk with the Lord* verses 1 & 4

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

Songs of Prayer

Sing the Journey No. 79 *As I went down to the river* verses 1 & 2

Sharing Our Stories and Congregational Prayer

Hymn No. 353 *Lord, listen to your children praying*

Songs of Discipleship

Hymn No. 411 *I bind my heart this tide*

Hymn No. 444 *Lord, I want to be a Christian*

Songs of the Church

Sing the Journey No. 54 *Longing for light* verses 1 & 5

Hymn No. 407 *We are people of God's peace*

Songs of Worship and Hope for the Future

Song *Revelation Song*

Hymn No. 343 *My hope is built on nothing less* verses 1, 4 & 5

Songs of Mission and Sending

Sending Song No. 395 *Here I am, Lord*

Benediction Hymn No. 118 *Praise God from whom*

Postlude

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!**

For Sharing and Prayer

Western District Conference: Pray for the Chin Emmanuel Church, Houston, Texas, as they reach out in their community and as we grow in relationship in the Western District fellowship of churches.

Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for Jenna and Peter Liechty Martin of MMN as they engage in ministries of reconciliation in Northern Ireland this significant year. 2012 marks the centennial anniversary of the signing of the Ulster covenant in which Protestants pledged to defend their position within the United Kingdom.

Summer Sunday School

Joint Adult and Youth Summer Sunday School will meet in the sanctuary. The theme this summer is “Faith Stories”. This Sunday’s speakers are Ed and Marge Harms.

Next Sunday: Social Hour in the fellowship hall – donuts will be served. Western District Conference delegates will report during the second half of the Social Hour in the fellowship hall.

Church Events

This evening at 7:00 p.m. Last chance to watch Grace Hill softball – really – even though we thought last week was the last chance! The Alphas and Omegas play each other in a make-up game at 7 p.m. at the Washington Road ball field in Newton. Come cheer for both teams and have fun watching!

Sunday, August 5 afternoon/evening Youth at the lake!

August 12 6:00-8:00 p.m. All church swimming party at the Newton Public Pool in Athletic Park.

Announcements

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: Debbie Claassen and Carine Claassen

Nursery Next Sunday: Courtney Claassen and Brittany Claassen

Ushers Next Sunday: Mike Balzer and Kendall Claassen

Offering Last Sunday: Mennonite Men of the Plains \$1,589.00

Offering Next Sunday: Peace Connections

Et Cetera

Young Adults, Seafaring Wanderers. Young adults (college age to approx. 35) are invited to grab their boats (or just their sleeping bags) and head on over to Camp Mennoscah for a weekend (July 28-29) of sailing the Ninnescah. It's an informal time of worship, swimming, a bit of BTB (Borrow the Balls), and some of the best fellowship you can find. Find the brochure online at www.mennowdc.org in the Coming Events or check it out on Facebook. Need more information? Contact us at campmno@mennowdc.org or 620-297-3290.

The Salvation Army School Supply Program is again in need of school supplies. This program is designed to assist children of families that are having a financial crisis getting their children ready for the new school year. Please bring supplies to the office at 208 W. 6th St. in Newton by August 1. Contact Marcia Brazil at 283-3190 with questions.

Undoing Racism & Advancing Intercultural Transformation A workshop presented by Luke Hartman will be August 4 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Whitestone Mennonite Church, 629 Crescent Drive, Hesston. You are invited to the workshop to explore ways of undoing racism and advancing intercultural transformation in our congregations. See the brochure in the foyer or contact Whitestone Mennonite Church to register: Whitestone@whitestonemc.com, 620-327-4123.

All women and girls, ages 8 and older, are invited to the Women and Girls Retreat at Camp Mennoscah September 7-9. On Saturday, we are offering various sessions including spiritual development, relaxation activities, poetry writing, and music. There will be time to rest, fellowship, spend time in nature, swim, sing and worship God. We are looking forward to hearing from Tammy Duvanel Unruh and learning more about God. We do have some scholarships available so everyone can come to the retreat. For more information, please contact us at womengirlsretreat@gmail.com, see the brochure in the foyer or call Jen Wintermote at 316-708-0309. We are also on Facebook at Women and Girls Retreat. The deadline for registration is August 31.

The following junior books have been donated to our library:

The Amazing Days of Abby Hayes by Anne Mazer
Hugs for Teens by Scott Krippayne
Croutons for Breakfast by Lissa Halls Johnson
Girls to the Rescue by Bruce Lansky
Beyond the Sunrise by Ben M. Baglio
Wondergirls by Jullian Brooks
The Winning Pony by Jeanne Betancourt
Faith Unplugged Stories for Girls
Mystery of the Secret Code by Ruth Nulton Moore
Jean Marie and the Runaways by Lucille Travis
N 2 Deep by Laurie Lazzaro Knowlton

The following also donated:

Caleb's Crossing by Geraldine Brooks - A missionary going to Martha's Vineyard in the 1660s and two Indians come to Harvard College.
Angels in the Snow by Melody Carlson - The healing and restarting of an artist.
Joshua and the Shepherd by Joseph Girzone - Life of a church leader and the struggles.
The Looking Glass by Richard Paul Evans - The story behind a shattered silver mirror.

CHURCH OFFICES

Pastors' Office Hours:

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