

# GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

August 2, 2015

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Musician: Ellen Mosiman

Transition Pastor: Randy Smith

Whitewater, Kansas

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Song Leader: Bonita Schroeder

A Camp Experience

Rita Patterson

Scripture: Job 12: 7-9 and Matthew 22: 36-40

Morning Message

John Stoesz

*Camp Mennoscah: This Most Sacred Place*

Sharing and Prayer

\*Benediction Sending Song

Sing the Journey No. 73 *The Lord lift you up*

Postlude

\*Indicates those comfortable in doing so, please stand

This morning's offering is designated for Mennonite Church USA.

John Stoesz started as executive director of Camp Mennoscah on June 24, 2014. Previously he served as executive director of Mennonite Central Committee Central States from September 2005 through June 2013. In between he took time away from paid work to pursue two of his passions - riding his recumbent tricycle and Native American justice (particularly in his home state of Minnesota). He and his wife Marcia reside in Newton and are members of Mennonite Church of the Servant in Wichita.

## For Sharing and Prayer

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Mennonite Mission Network's Anne Garber Kompaoré, based in Burkina Faso, is preparing for a follow-up biblical translation workshop in Democratic Republic of Congo this month. Pray for the translators as they build on what they learned during a March session, and pray for inspiration for Anne.

## Church Family News

. . . **Rob Schunn** is leaving Channel 12 after 29 years (24 years as a photojournalist) and will begin as Annual Fund Director at Bethel College on August 7. He is replacing Fred Goering. . . .

## CAMP MENNOSCAH SUNDAY

Gathering Music

Ellen Mosiman

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude to Worship

Spoken Call to Worship

Our God creates and creates and the world around us explodes with the grandeur of that creation.

**God amazes us with the beauty all around us: let us open our eyes and tune our ears to creation's ongoing song!**

Our God creates and creates each of us as unique, special, gifted people and the world is blessed with our presence!

**God amazes us with our own uniqueness: let us recognize and celebrate the people we are!**

Our God creates and creates people to walk through life with us: friends, neighbors, mentors.

**God amazes us with the relationships that enrich our lives: let us walk along with these others in peace and harmony, always striving to know them better!**

Our God creates and creates opportunities for us to learn more about the divine.

**God amazes us with large and small ways each and every day that God's character is revealed if we pay attention! Our God amazing!**

Opening Prayer

\*Sing the Journey No.19 *I will call upon the Lord*

Sing the Story No. 55 *Love the Lord Your God*

Offering and Offertory

A Camp Experience

Kylee Schunn

Children's Story

Valerie Klaassen

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

A Camp Experience

Diana Schunn

\*Hymn No. 156 *All things bright and beautiful*

### **Summer Sunday School Schedule**

August 2	John Stoesz, “Native Americans” with children’s activities.
August 9	Eighth Commandment
August 16	Ninth Commandment
August 23	Tenth Commandment
August 30	Back to School Sunday

### **Church Events**

**Thursday at 7:00 p.m.** Worship Council meets at church.

**Saturday** *Grace Hill at the K!!!* The bus will be at church at 1:30 p.m. for departure to the Royals game in Kansas City. If you have any questions talk to K. John Klaassen.

### **Announcements**

**After many years** of keeping the church clean Tammy Regehr and family have decided to let someone else have the pleasure of vacuuming, dusting, mopping and other fun things. If anyone is interested, in taking over the job as church janitor please talk to any member of the business council.

**The Whitewater & Potwin Food Pantries** are in need of items throughout the year. A basket for goods is located in the foyer by the front entrance.

**We will be assembling MCC School Kits during the Sunday School hour on August 30. School Kit Supplies** are being gathered on the foyer table by the photo board. Supplies needed are:

- 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8 1/2 x 10 1/2, 70 sheets)
- 8 unsharpened pencils
- 1 ruler (flat, flexible plastic indicating both 30cm and 12 inches)
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large pencil eraser

## Et Cetera

**Camp Mennoscah Camp Sing!** Hundreds of campers and volunteers have spent the summer singing silly songs, praise songs, and other ridiculously great songs. Everyone is invited to come to the Camp Sing at 6 p.m. at Grace Hill Mennonite Church on August 9 to re-sing all these songs (or listen to the joyful cacophony), have generic pop and popcorn, and raise funds for toilets for the new bath houses. An offering will be taken for the toilets which cost \$250 each. Contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 with questions. Come share in the joyful noise!

**Hopeful Blues**, a 5 piece instrumental ensemble from Hope Mennonite Church, Wichita is inviting you to a concert and CD launch August 9 at Hope Mennonite Church, 868 N Maize Road, Wichita. The concert will be informal and include an ice cream social for all ages starting at 7 p.m. Many of the selections performed originate in the MC-USA conference hymnals and songbooks, ranging from traditional to gospel to jazz. Hopeful Blues has been invited to perform as the worship ensemble for Western District Conference in Newton Oct 30-31. Donations will be accepted to cover costs of production, enabling all sales proceeds to be charitable. CD's will be available for sale and will benefit Camp Mennoscah, for refurbishing and replacing musical instruments for campers of all ages.

**Unique Opportunity!** Interested in a 20 lb. case of fresh peaches from Palisade, Colorado? Call the Mennonite Central Committee Central States office by August 14 (316-283-2720) to place your order. Each case is \$35. Peaches will be available for pick up on August 29. This is not an MCC fund-raiser, simply an opportunity for you to get some delicious peaches. Got questions? Give us a call!

**Women and Girls Retreat at Camp Mennoscah** September 11-13 – *Joy! It's More Than a Detergent!* will be the theme, featuring retreat speaker Nadine Friesen. All women and all girls in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and above are invited. Come for one night or both. See more information and registration forms in the foyer. Registration deadline is August 22.

**Join us at West Zion for a discipleship workshop** with Marvin Lorenzana of Mennonite Mission Network on Sept. 12, 9:00-noon. Marvin will focus on how we grow as disciples of Jesus in the context of Missional Discipleship Groups, a form of small group. Lunch will be provided. Please register online at: <http://goo.gl/forms/rcF3DMOedy> (or on the West Zion church website). Marvin will also lead SS and bring the message on Sept.13 at West Zion. West Zion Mennonite is located at 101 S. Washington, Moundridge, KS, 620-345-8143.

**Mennonite Mission Network** seeks a Church Relations Associate to serve in the Newton, KS office. Read the full position descriptions on our website at [www.MennoniteMission.net](http://www.MennoniteMission.net). All applicants must be committed to denominational and agency goals of anti-racist action. Interested persons should send a letter of interest and résumé to [staffrecruitment@Mennonitemission.net](mailto:staffrecruitment@Mennonitemission.net) or to Linda Krueger, Human Resource Coordinator, Mennonite Mission Network, Box 370, Elkhart, IN 46515. **Church Relations Associate** applicants must have a passion to connect with God's reconciling mission to the world and the ability to relate well with people and listen perceptively. Strong candidates will be extroverted with an outgoing personality and externally driven to meet and talk with pastors and church leaders about mission. A good understanding of communications theory and strategies as well as resource development and fund-raising are needed. Experience in marketing, development or public relations is recommended. Ability and willingness to travel 7-10 days per month is expected. Newton, KS, based is ideal; will consider Elkhart, IN, based.

**Nursery This Sunday:** Kris Goossen and Renata Goossen

**Nursery Next Sunday:** Lisa Harms and Bethany Regehr

**Ushers Next Sunday:** Doug Hiebert and Russell Janzen

**Offering Last Sunday:** Western District Conference \$1,091.69

**Offering Next Sunday:** Local Church

### **CHURCH OFFICES**

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