

# GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

August 6, 2006

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Pastor: James Voth

Keyboard: Linda Harms

Whitewater, Kansas

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Youth Pastor: Brett Klingenberg

Chorister: Gladys Reimer

## *Stewardship of Health, Wellness and Wholeness*

### **Prelude**

### **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.

### **Call to Worship**

Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own?

For you were bought with a price;

Therefore glorify God in your body. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

### \* **Gathering Prayer**

\* **Hymn No. 70** *Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

**Affirming Our Faith** Hymnal No. 710

**Hymn No. 598** *A wonderful Savior is Jesus*

**Offering** Mennonite Church USA

**Offertory** *Gavotte*

Maria Jantz

Marcel Grandjany

**Children's Moments**

Pastor Jim

### **Sharing and Congregational Prayer**

#### **A Prayer of Thanksgiving for the person God created us to become**

You created my inmost self, knit me together in my mother's womb.

For so many marvels I thank you; a wonder am I, and all your works are wonders. You knew me through and through. Amen.

Psalm 139:13-14 New Jerusalem Bible

**Special Music** *Fur Elise*

Maria and Sue Ann Jantz

Ludwig van Beethoven

**Scripture Reading** Romans 12:1-3

Megan Klaassen

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

**Sermon** *Present your bodies as living sacrifices*

\* **Hymn No. 377** *Healer of our every ill*

### **Benediction**

\* **Benediction Hymn 420** *Heart with loving heart united*

**Postlude** *Joyful Overture*

Maria Jantz

Marcel Grandjany

\* 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**

Katherine Soller, mother of Lori Stamps, passed away Wednesday, August 2. The funeral service will be Monday, 10:30 a.m. at Broadway Colonial Mortuary, Newton. Pastor Jim will conduct the service.

The altar flowers this morning are in memory of what would have been the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of my marriage to Art. Elva Unruh

Pastor Jim will be on vacation from Friday, August 11 through 21.

**Western District Conference:** Pray for Jerry Truex, pastor of Mennonite Church of the Servant, Wichita, as he is ordained today. Also

pray that God helps the new North Houston church plant as it begins in August, and for Aurora Parchmont, church planter.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Pray for mission workers Jeanette and Todd Hanson as they coordinate the summer language program for China Educational Exchange this month in Nanchong, China. Twelve English teachers will be hosted by local people and study Chinese language, culture and teaching methods.

## Summer Sunday School

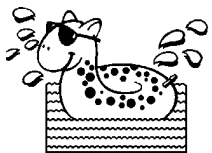
**Joint Adult and Youth Summer Sunday School** will meet in the sanctuary. *Who Are the Mennonites? Our Story* **Today's Topic:** *Growing Up Amish*, Speaker: Maynard Knepp, Author, Farmer, and Youth Worker. **Next Sunday:** Grace Hill Survey, Reflection and Direction, Presenter: Jim Stucky, WDC Facilitator.

**The Junior department** (grades K-6) will be studying the *Walk with Jesus* series in the basement. Grades 7-8 may help with the junior department or attend the adult sessions. A separate class will be maintained for the Early Childhood group (ages 2-5 yrs.).

## Church Events

**Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.** High School Catechism Class meets at church.

**Next Sunday** is Youth Sunday. The Youth will lead the worship service as well as report on their service trip to Wichita in July.



**Next Sunday 6:00-8:00 p.m.** All church swimming party at the Newton Public Pool. Come and enjoy a free evening of family swimming together with the church family. And don't forget to invite your friends. There will be refreshments in the park following the swimming.

**August 20** The youth group will be leading another Sunday night worship service on August 20. The service will be in the fellowship hall, but Brett and the band will be back. Bring your friends!!!

#### High School Youth Group

**Saturday** Youth Fundraiser Work Project

**The High School Youth Group** will begin meeting on Wednesday nights starting August 16!

**Youth Camping Trip** The Youth Group will be heading to Milford Lake on September 16-17 for a camping and boating trip.

Homeless Shelter are August 13 at 6:30 p.m. and August 27 at 2:30 p.m. If you would like to volunteer for a time this week, Brett is available for training at other times as well. The Homeless Shelter is also in need of a refrigerator. If you are looking to get rid of a working fridge, please contact Brett.

**Harvest of Love** seeks to meet the needs of those with special needs in Harvey County through food and money collected in the churches. A basket for food and a collection container for monies are located in the foyer by the front entrance. Please make checks payable to "Harvest of Love." This is a year round project of the Newton Ministerial Alliance.

**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:** Kris Goossen and Courtney Claassen

**Nursery Next Sunday:** Deb Regier and Katie Regier

**Ushers Next Sunday:** Doug Hiebert and Orville Schmidt

**Offering Last Sunday:**

Youth Group Conference/Travel Expense \$1,417.00

**Offering Next Sunday:** Local Church

#### CHURCH OFFICES

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#### Announcements

**Homeless Shelter** - Grace Hill week this week! We still need people to bring food August 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15!!! Training dates for the

#### Et Cetera

**This afternoon** from 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. everyone is invited to the Dedication of the Neighborhoods Project and Open House at the Bethel Health Care Center, Kidron Bethel Village, 3001 Ivy Drive, North

Newton. **Also this afternoon**, please visit the “Art of the Ages” resident art show at Kidron Bethel Village from 2:00 – 4:30 p.m. in Menno Hall. This event is co-sponsored and supported by a grant from the Kansas Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (KAHSA) and Central National Bank.

**Book ReViews** will re-open at 707 N. Main in Newton on Monday, August 7. Additional volunteers are needed. Contact Judith Bartel at 316-283-3442. Donated books may be brought to the back door between 9:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

**Mennofolk on the Prairie Family Camp is at Camp Mennoscah** August 11-13. Registration starts at 4:00 p.m. and the first meal at 6:15 p.m. on Friday, August 11. Bring your instruments, your voice, your ears, your dancing shoes and your camping spirit for a weekend of folk music and family fun. Cost is \$55 per adult/\$35 per child for cabin/tent/RV and limited staff housing. Please register by contacting camp at 620-297-3290 or [campmno@mennowdc.org](mailto:campmno@mennowdc.org).

**Watermelon Social and Slide Show on Iranian and U.S. Relations**, sponsored by Peace Connections as a fundraiser, August 24, at Faith Mennonite Church. Dr. Hossein Cheraghi, an "Iranian-American" and Dept. Chair at WSU, will speak and show slides about Iranian and U.S. relations. Come at 7:00 p.m. to enjoy watermelon and listen to the CD from and preview John McCutcheon's new picture book, *Christmas in the Trenches* - story of actual WW1 event when German and British troops leave the war behind. It will be for sale. At 7:30 p.m. Dr. Cheraghi's gives his presentation. He grew up in Iran and brings a valuable perspective to the current conflicted situation. Call Peace Connections at 284-0000 for more information.

**The annual Women and Girls' Retreat** is being planned for September 8-10. Join your friends for a time of learning and relaxation! The theme of “Family Matters” – how we think about, talk about, and structure the nurturing groups in our lives – will guide our large group input and worship sessions. Other activities will include workshops, swimming, campfire, and time for individual contemplation and group fun – all at Camp Mennoscah! Mark your calendars now and plan to attend!

**Consider attending the *What Every Church Member Should Know About Poverty* workshop** with Rev. Bill Ehlig coming Monday, October 9, 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at Chisholm Middle School, Newton. Registration cost for the full day seminar is \$25.00 which includes a book and noon lunch. Brochures are available in the foyer. There is also a free community presentation Monday evening, October 9 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the same location.

**Mennonite Central Committee Central States is recruiting for a half-time volunteer Thrift Shop Resource Coordinator** who is able to commit to a two-year term. This position provides support and services to eleven MCC Central States thrift shops - helping increase shop profitability, assisting with daily operational problem-solving, encouraging board and manager development, helping develop policy, and acting as an MCC liaison to the thrift shops. Please send your resume and letter of intent to Leia Lawrence, Human Resources Coordinator for MCC Central States, at [llawrence@mcc.org](mailto:llawrence@mcc.org) or Box 235, North Newton, Kansas 67117-0235. A full job description is available at [www.mcc.org/serve](http://www.mcc.org/serve) or upon request when you call 316-283-2720.