

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

August 21, 2005

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Pastor: James Voth

Keyboard: Linda Harms

Whitewater, Kansas

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Youth Pastor: Brett Klingenberg

Chorister: Suzy Burch

Children's Moments *Stump the Pastor*

Sharing and Prayer

Scripture Reading 1 Samuel 16:1-13

Reader: Jill Schmidt

* **Hymn No. 172** *O Come, O Come, Immanuel*

An Advent hymn that speaks of Jesus' earthly lineage with David

Children to age 5 may be dismissed to the nursery in the library

Sermon *David: Musician, Warrior, Sinner, King, anointed by God*

* **Hymn No. 237** *All Glory, Laud, And Honor*

A Palm Sunday hymn that speaks of Jesus' earthly lineage with David

* **Benediction**

* **Sending Hymn No. 118** *Praise God From Whom*

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.

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.

Let us now prepare to worship our Creator and Lord
by leaving the troubles of the world behind and entering
into God's presence in a spirit of humility and praise.

* **Call to Worship**

Words of David

The Lord is my shepherd I shall not be in want. (Psalm 23)

The Lord is my light and my salvation, whom should I fear. (Ps. 27)

I lift my eyes to the hills – where does my help come? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. (Psalm 121)

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. (Psalms 139)

Praise the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens. ... Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Praise the LORD. (Psalm 150)

* **Gathering Prayer**

* **Gathering Hymn No. 69** *The Lord Is King*

A Commitment of our Offerings

Mennonite Central Committee Meat Canning

For Sharing and Prayer

Pastor Brett is on vacation today and will return tomorrow.

Western District Conference: Give thanks for Agri-Urban, a unique partnership that builds relationships and benefits WDC budget.

Mennonite Mission Network: Mission workers Hank and Marilyn Rossiter ask prayer that conflict and power struggles within the churches in Liberia will find peaceful resolution, accompanied by repentance and confession. Pray for the Rossiters as they disciple one-on-one and in groups.

2005-2006 College Students

Bethel College – Hannah Klaassen, Megan Klaassen

Eastern Mennonite University – Sarah Kauffman

Emporia State University – Sara Burch

Hesston College – Michael Kauffman

Kansas State University – Andy Lanzrath,

Kansas University – Joel Balzer

Newman University – Jennifer Washburn, Sara Washburn

Nova University School of Optometry, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

- Vladimir Yevseyenkov

Southwest Missouri State University – Sarah Klaassen

University of Wisconsin – Madison – Susan Gaeddert

Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center, Winston-Salem,

North Carolina – Mitchell Isaac

Summer Sunday School

Classes begin at 10:45 a.m.

Everyone is welcome!

HEY KIDS! Journey with Joshua this summer! All Kindergarten through 8th Grade students are invited to the basement fellowship hall to “dig for truths” from the stories of Joshua. We also have big plans for the little ones of our bunch! All preschool students, ages 2-5, are invited to the Early Childhood classroom for a fun-filled time learning about the great characters of the Old Testament.

Joint Adult and Youth Summer Sunday School will meet in the fellowship hall. **Topic:** Hunger No More (Mennonite Media Video)

Presenter: Peace and Social Concerns Committee **Next Sunday:** “How Should Mennonites Read and Relate to the Old Testament?” – Marion Bontrager, Bible Professor

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Junior Sunday School Teacher Training at church.

Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Education Council will meet.

Next Sunday: Attention Junior Youth Members & graduating Junior Youth Members: Come Grow in Jesus as we begin a new activity year together at the Breadbasket Restaurant in Newton Sunday noon, August 28th. We will welcome new Junior youth group members and send on graduating members to the Youth Group! We will meet after Sunday school in the foyer. Transportation will be provided by the sponsors. All members are asked to bring \$10.50 for the lunch. See you there! Pastor Brett and your sponsors, Tim and Lisa Schmidt and Darrel and Kristen Lanzrath

Next Sunday at 6:00 p.m. Meet with us in the Fellowship Hall for the next Sunday Supper and Share Session with Virgil and Kaye Penner. They will share about their trip to Europe. If you wish to share fellowship around the table, please bring a brown bag supper at 6:00 p.m. Virgil and Kaye will begin the program at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, August 31 *School Kits and Banana Splits* Ladies and Jr. Youth are invited to join in the adventure of sewing School Kits for MCC at church on Wednesday, August 31 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. We will need sewing machines, thread, cutting mats, rotary cutters, and rulers. Contact Agnes Harder at 799-2516 if you are able to supply a sewing machine and cutting mats. Fabric will be provided. If you have appropriate fabric, you are welcome to bring it. The evening will conclude with Banana Splits provided by the Jr. Youth.

September 7 Et Cetera, Et Cetera, Et Cetera - Zion and Grace Hill women and girls are invited to a *Salad Supper and Et Cetera Shop Style Show* Wednesday, September 7 at 6:30 p.m. at Grace Hill Mennonite Church. Church members are asked to bring 1 large salad to share - table service will be provided. Please invite family and friends to this fun evening!

September 18 "*Safe Sanctuaries Training*" at Grace Hill. A noon carry-in dinner with Zion at Grace Hill, followed by Safe Sanctuaries training for all youth Sunday School teachers, Wednesday evening teachers, choir directors, mentors, and sponsors. Marlene Bogard will provide the training.

September 25 at 7:00 p.m. Semi-annual business meeting at church.

September 28 Our Wednesday evening activities will begin Wednesday September 28 at 6:30 p.m. with an all church wiener roast. Wednesday evening activities will continue through April 2006. More details will follow in the coming weeks. Kaye Penner and Barb Voth, Wednesday evening coordinators.

Announcements

The treasury general fund is currently showing a deficit of around \$9,000.00. Please keep this in mind as you plan your giving for Local Church Support.

It is that time of year to begin thinking about school kits for Mennonite Central Committee. Jr. Youth Group will be making and taking school kit supplies to MCC this fall. Since most items are now on sale, this is the best time to look for needed kit items. Jr. Youth would greatly appreciate any help in providing items to fill the kits. Please see the display in the foyer of the church for needed items. Grace Hill is always complemented by MCC on their generosity of donated items! Thank You!

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: Bonita Schroeder and Emily Burch

Nursery Next Sunday: Marge Harms and Tammy Regehr

Keyboard Next Sunday: Debbie Claassen

Ushers Next Sunday: Rob Schunn and Becky Voth

Offering Last Sunday: Local Church \$5,135.00

Offering Next Sunday: Western District Conference

Et Cetera

Choir directors fall open house at conference resource library. Choir Directors are invited to attend an open house and resourcing time at the Conference Resource Library, 2517 N. Main, North Newton on Monday, August 22 from 7-9 p.m. Come and browse through our collection of over 400 anthems that are available for check-out, many added in recent years. Plan for Advent and Christmas. Bring copies of your favorite piece from the last year. Swap music, ideas and stories with other choir directors. The library will be open just for you! Questions? Call Marlene Bogard, 316-283-6300.

Wheat State Manor will be working on a small scale renovation project on Wednesday, August 24. If you are available, stop by and bring a paint brush! Please contact Jodi Silbernagel at 799-2181 if you plan to come. Also Wheat State would like to borrow some stencils and anyone who would be willing to paint stencils for a project in September.

Kidron Bethel Village will host an Open House on Sunday, August 28, 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at #17 and #19 Lakewood Circle, Campus Woods Estates, North Newton. Come and see the newest addition to our community. Directions: North on Anderson Road; turn right on Witmarsum and right on Lakewood Drive.

2005 Mental Health Spiritual Retreat “Make a Joyful Noise” will be held at Camp Mennoscah September 3-4. The retreat is planned for those who are related in some way to mental illness, including family members and friends. The purpose is to support each other, and enjoy fun, fellowship, music and worship. For more information, see the flyer on the bulletin board.

Enjoy an evening in concert with renowned tenor Arthur Marks Sunday, September 11, 2005, at Trinity Heights United Methodist Church, Newton. A benefit for KIPCOR's Community Mediation Center, the concert will begin at 4:30 p.m. and include a full dinner. Tickets are \$50 each, two for \$75, or \$320 for a table for 8. Seating is limited so get your tickets soon. Call 316-284-5217 for details.

Preschoolers, ages 3-5, are invited to register for Story Time at the Conference Resource Library in North Newton. The first session is Wednesday, September 21, at 10:30 a.m. Susan Nafziger and Blanche Spaulding will share the responsibilities of Story Time. Registration can take place by calling either Pat or Marlene at 283-6300.

The Art of Worship Planning with Marlene Kroph will be held at Zion Mennonite Church on Saturday, September 24, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The workshop will help enhance your efforts at planning worship services and explore the biblical shape of worship as it is expressed in creative ways from week to week. Cost is \$25 per person or a group rate (six or more) of \$100 plus \$7.50 per person. Please register by September 12. Contact Pastor Jim for more information or see the flyer on the bulletin board.

Bethel College Mennonite Church invites members of the wider community to *Conversation on Communion*, a seminar exploring biblical, theological and historical themes in the Lord's Supper, with guest speakers John Rempel and Weldon Nisly, on Saturday, September 24. Registration is \$10 (including lunch) for \$5 for sessions only. For more information see the brochure on the bulletin board, go to <http://bcmc.ks.us.mennonite.net>, email office.bcmc@sbcglobal.net, or call 316-283-3667.

The Newton Et Cetera Shop is seeking a full-time General Manager to supervise 200 volunteers and up to 10 staff. Must be computer-savvy, a self-starter, have solid math and strong communication skills, ability to prioritize. Must be able to lift, bend and be on your feet much of the day. Must work independently or in a group. Occasional evenings or weekends. Excellent public relation skills and a bachelor's degree or equivalent experience required. Knowledge of Spanish a plus. For information, contact Deb Goering at 316-284-2982. Applications closed on August 26, 2005, or until position is filled.

NEEDED: Persons interested in driving the parking shuttle during the Kansas State Fair. Please reply to Kim Claassen or Kendall Claassen or call Nancy Becker, Relief Sale Secretary at 620-654-3277.

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