

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

September 22, 2013

Whitewater, Kansas

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: Peter Goerzen

Associate Pastor: Katherine Goerzen

Musician: Matthew Graber

Song Leader: Aaron Tschetter

Worship Leader: Pastor Katherine

Shaped by the Story Grace Hill's Twelve Foundational Scriptures Gathering

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 from Philippians 2: 5-11

All: Let the same mind be in us that was in Christ Jesus.

One: Who, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form, he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.

All: Let the same mind be in us that was in Christ Jesus.

One: Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess
that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

All: Let the same mind be in us that was in Christ Jesus.

Gathering Prayer

* **Gathering Song No. 259** *When I survey the wondrous cross*

Offering Our Gifts Western District Conference

Hearing

Gospel Reading from John 19 Pastors Katherine and Peter

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

Worship Music *I Wonder Why?* by Avery and Marsh arr. Pfautsch
Adult Choir

Moment of Silence

Gospel Reading from John 20 Pastors Katherine and Peter

Scripture Sharing Doug Claassen

Sermon Pastor Peter

Responding

Song of Response *Christ is Risen, Alleluia* by Willan Adult Choir

Responding to the Story and Congregational Prayer

What was meaningful for you from this morning's worship service?
What questions have you pondered in regard to this text?
How has God's Spirit spoken to you through this Scripture passage?

Sending

* **Sending Song No. 266** *They crucified my Savior*

* **Benediction**

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 classes will begin
10 minutes after the service is over.
Everyone is welcome!**

For Sharing and Prayer

A special welcome to Matthew Graber, the pianist and choir accompanist. He is from Freeman, South Dakota and is a freshman at Bethel College. Welcome Matthew, and thank you for sharing your talents with us!

Western District Conference: Praise God for all the campers and staff at Camp Mennoscah in 2013. Pray for Olivia Bartel, Camp Director, as she leads the camp in continued developments and new staffing and as she guides the annual meeting this afternoon.

Mennonite Mission Network: Janet Stucky with MMN is two months into an assignment in Benin. Pray for Janet as she discerns what role she will play as a consultant to MMN partners: Benin Bible Institute, Bethesda Hospital and community development programs, and La Casa Grande children's home.

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: Kris Janzen and Jo Frye

Nursery Next Sunday: Marge Harms and Rita Patterson

Ushers Next Sunday: Mike Balzer and Kendall Claassen

Offering Last Sunday: Anabaptist Menn. Biblical Seminary \$1,094.00

Offering Next Sunday: Peace Connections

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

Church Events

This evening at 6:30 p.m. Menno-Nite Live – Bible Charades and Pictionary – Get your pantomime and sketching skills ready, or come and watch the fun of retelling our treasured stories!

Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Kick-Off – All church wiener roast at the church. Rain or shine! Donation for meal – bring lawn chairs and wiener sticks. Wednesday evening programming begins October 2. All are encouraged to bring friends and neighbors to the wiener roast as well as our Wednesday night programming.



Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. Worship Council meets at church.
Business Council meets at church.

Thursday at 8:00 a.m. Senior Breakfast at The Breadbasket in Newton.

Next Sunday at 11:30 a.m. A light lunch will be provided by the Social Council. No need to bring anything! Donations will be accepted.

Next Sunday at 12:45 p.m. Semi-annual Church Business Meeting.

October 6 Wheat State Vespers and Mystery Meal: The Youth Group will be leading the Wheat State Vespers service on Sunday, October 6. Plan to meet at the church building at 4:30. We will then return to Pastor Katherine's home for a mystery meal. NOTE: This WILL be at Peter and Katherine's home because of another event taking place at the church building.

Sunday, October 6 at 7:00 p.m. Show your Pastor some love! On October 6, area pastors will be showing off their talent to benefit Camp Mennoscah. Join us at Grace Hill Mennonite Church at 7 pm for Pastor Love. A cookie reception will follow. Hope to see you there!

Sunday, October 27 at 2:30 p.m. Women's Book Study: We will plan to meet on Sunday, October 27 at 2:30 p.m. at Pastor Katherine's house to discuss the introduction and first chapter of "A Year of Biblical Womanhood."

Et Cetera

Camp Mennoscah's Second Annual Celebration! We're celebrating our second year as Camp Mennoscah Association with an annual meeting today. A gathering time will begin at 3 p.m., followed by our most interesting business meeting and a wonderful concert by Tom, Lois, and Anna Harder. Everyone is invited to the event, which includes a groundbreaking for the new bathhouses and a pulled pork meal. Meat, buns, and drinks provided. Please bring a side dish to share and table service. Questions? Contact us at 620-297-3290.

KIPCOR (Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution) invites you to hear Veteran Undercover Narcotics Detective Jack Cole explain why "This is Not a War on Drugs – it's a War on People" on September 26 at 7:00 p.m., Kaufman House, 2515 College Ave., North Newton. Free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.

All Are Invited to Participate in the Loss of Turtle Island on Friday, September 27 at Shalom Mennonite Church in Newton, at 10 a.m. The Loss of Turtle Island exercise provides an opportunity to interactively explore the historic relationship between Europeans, specifically Mennonites in the Central States region, and the Indigenous nations who inhabit the land we now call the United States of America. The exercise uses blankets to represent the lands of what is now known as the United States, and the distinct cultures and nations which live on those lands to this day. Following the exercise all who attend are welcome to stay for lunch with MCC Central States board and staff to learn more about MCC's current work. Shalom Mennonite Church is located at 800 E. 1st St, Newton. Please RSVP for this event to Tina Schrag at tinascrag@mcc.org or 316-283-2720.

Don't miss out on the fun and learning happening during a Hesston College Homecoming 2013: A View From Everywhere September 26-29 with an emphasis on nursing and holistic health. Weekend events include a Holistic Health symposium, Ted & Company show *Laughter is Scared Space*, The Hesston College Student Scholarship Golf Tournament with proceeds benefitting the Jim Boyts Scholarship Fund, tailgate barbecue picnic and family festival, volleyball matches and men's and women's soccer games, class reunions and the annual Alumni and Friends Banquet. Go to www.hesston.edu for more details and registrations.

Bethel College Fall Festival is coming soon! Most events are Saturday, October 5, on campus, including, in the Entertainment Tent on the Green: The Book of JEBB (9:15 a.m.); music by members of Iglesia Menonita Casa Betania and the immigrant rights' group Mi Projimo (10 a.m.); the Newton Community Children's Choir (11:10 a.m.); the Bethel a cappella groups Woven and Open Road (11:30 a.m.); and the annual Jazzfest (begins at noon). See www.bethelks.edu/fallfest.

Enjoy a hearty Country Breakfast at Kidron Bethel Village from 7 to 9 a.m. Saturday, October 5, a great start to your day at Bethel College Fall Festival. The breakfast menu includes pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, orange juice and coffee. A donation is requested for the meal.

The Bethel College Women's Association Market on the Green Committee is asking for donations of ethnic foods, poppy seed rolls, zwiebach, homemade noodles, pies, and other baked goods and home grown produce for the Bethel College Fall Festival on Saturday, October 5. Please bring your items to the large tent on the north side of the green anytime Saturday morning after 7:30 a.m. Also available for sale will be gift items that include the NEW! Hot off the press, "A BC ABC Book", a limerick book of Bethel life and lore with illustrations by alumni artists. This along with anniversary picnic baskets and T-shirts, pewter Christmas Tree ornaments, stadium seats, cookbooks, Lithuanian candle house replicas of Goerz House and the CD "Nights of Wonder", which features music selections from previous BC Christmas Fests. Come start your Christmas shopping early!

Mennonite Disaster Service update on Shawnee, Oklahoma. Thank you to the many volunteers who helped with the clean-up in Oklahoma following the tornado outbreak in May. MDS is now ready to begin the rebuilding phase! We continue to invite your prayers and support as we work to bring families back home. We are in need of weekly volunteers from Oct. 7 – Dec. 13. We are also looking for volunteers who would cook for a week or two in October or December. Call MDS at 1-800-241-8111 for more information about volunteering.

Service isn't just for the summer! DOOR (Discovering Opportunities for Outreach and Reflection), also offers week-, week-end-, semester- and year-long service opportunities in urban settings! Check it out at www.DOORNetwork.org.

Grace Hill Wednesday Night 2013-2014

Kick-off on Wednesday, September 25, 2013 an *All Church Event!*

6:30 p.m. Wiener Roast at the church

Rain or Shine! Donation for meal. Bring lawn chairs and wiener sticks!

7:00 p.m. Introduction to Wednesday Evening Activities

Wednesday evening programming begins **October 2**

Ages 3 to Kindergarten 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Teacher: Debbie Claassen

Grades 1 – 4 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Teacher: Penny Hiebert

Grades 5 – 8 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Teachers: Ashley Enns and Travis Harms

Grades 9-12 7:00-8:15 p.m. Youth Room - Pastor Katherine

An Exodus Bible Study, Prayer Partners, Service, Menno-Nite Live, African

Bible Study, A Sexuality and Relationships Bible Study, Youth Sunday

Planning, Game Nights and creative prayer

For Adults:

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

Adult Choir in the Sanctuary

Director: Aaron Tschetter

Accompanist: Matthew Graber

Adult Sessions with Pastor Peter

25+ different ways of feasting on God's Word for our life today.

**All Church Meals - First and Third Wednesdays of every month
beginning October 2, 6:15-7:00 p.m.**

Everyone is invited to come for both meals.

1st Wed. - Kids sit with classes, 3rd Wed. - Free to sit with families

Meal in the fellowship hall

Cost: High School and Adults: \$3.00 Children: \$2.50

If you have any questions, please contact Ashley Enns or Debbie Claassen.

All Church Bowling Party – will take place at the end of April 2014

Date and location will be announced.

Guidelines for Participants

Wednesday Night Programming for 2013-2014

Coordinators: Ashley Enns and Debbie Claassen

Kitchen Staff

1. Set tables.
2. Cook and serve food.
3. Have available cleaning cart and waste basket for clean-up.
4. Dispose of leftovers.

Clean-Up Crew

1. Clear tables.
2. Put away tables and chairs.
3. Vacuum floor.
4. Do dishes.
5. Clean kitchen.

Table Parents

1. Enjoy the children.
2. Maintain order at the table.
3. Instruct children to take plate, glass and silverware to designated place.
4. Have children stay at table until dismissed for programming.
5. Create family-like atmosphere.
6. Invited to help with clean-up in fellowship hall and kitchen.
7. Eat first. If serving has started, feel free to go to front of serving line.

Children

1. Activities begin at 6:15 p.m. in the fellowship hall the first and third Wednesday of each month, unless announced otherwise.
2. Maintain good table manners.
3. Leave table only with permission from table parents.
4. Stay at your table until dismissed for programming.
5. Take plate, glass and silverware to designated place when dismissed.
6. Table parents will go through food line first.

Parents

1. Activities begin at 6:15 p.m. in the fellowship hall the first and third Wednesday of each month, unless announced otherwise.
2. Parents of children age's 3-Kindergarten eat with their children.
3. Parents of children grade 1-12 are invited to eat together.
4. Cost: \$3.00/high school and adult; \$2.50/children.
5. Invited to help clean-up as needed after meal.