

# Grace Hill Mennonite Church

Worship – 9:30am / Sunday School – 10:45am

September 24, 2017



Prelude

Greetings & Announcements

\* *“The Love of God”* SJ 44

Gathering (Isaiah 6:1-8) & Prayer

\* *“Holy, Holy, Holy”* HWB 120

Offering to God Western District Conference

Offertory

\**Doxology* (Psalm 100) HWB 119

Sharing & Congregational Prayer

Scripture Reading Leviticus 18:1-5; 1 Peter 1:13-16

Children’s Story *“Shout Out About the Snout”*

Sermon... **A Passionate Proclamation**

**on the Pig Roast**

**to the Pewed People of Grace Hill**

**for all Profit and Against all Petty Presumptions**

\* *“Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”* HWB 121

\* Benediction

\* *“The LORD Lift You Up”* SJ 73

\*Indicates those comfortable in doing so, please stand.

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- Following the children’s story children to age 5 may be dismissed to the library for childcare.
- The Adult Sunday School classes will begin 10 minutes after the service is over. Everyone is welcome!

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## Serving in Worship

Pastor	Weldon Martens
Scripture Reader	Valerie Klaassen
Keyboard	Ellen Mosiman
Song Leader	Penny Hiebert
Greeters	Adrian & Courtney Nethercot
Ushers	Josh Patterson & Rob Schunn
Nursery	Courtney Nethercot & Lily Hilgenfeld

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## For Sharing and Prayer

**Western District Conference:** Pray for WDC's Executive Board meeting this week to further WDC's mission of empowering congregations to witness and invite others to faith in Jesus Christ, dwell in just and loving relationships, and connect to God's mission in the world.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Staff from DOOR, a Mennonite Mission Network partner that provides service opportunities, are traveling to Austin, Texas, for a gathering that starts tomorrow. Pray for them as they fellowship, share best practices, and prepare for the future.

## Announcements

**Mennonite Central Committee Relief Canning** is approaching quickly. If you would like to contribute to strengthen Grace Hill's support of this mission, please do so by October 1. The current balance in the fund is \$3,400. Please make checks out to Grace Hill and write MCC Canning on the memo line.

**The offering on October 29** will be designated for Mennonite Disaster Service.

## Church Events

**This evening from 5:00-8:00 p.m.** Community Hog Roast at the church! Everyone is invited to an evening of fellowship with food, yard games and bluegrass music by the Regier family. A free will donation will be accepted to support area food banks. See the sign-up sheets in foyer if you are interested in helping. Bring your family and friends for the fun and festivities!!



**Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.** Wednesday Night Kick-Off – all church wiener roast in the Outback! Rain or shine. Donation for meal – bring lawn chairs and wiener sticks. Wednesday Family Nights begin on October 4. All are encouraged to bring friends and neighbors to the wiener roast as well as to our Wednesday programming.

**Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.** Stewardship Council meets.

**Thursday at 8:00 a.m.** Senior Breakfast at Mom's Café, Whitewater.

**Next Sunday during the Sunday School hour** Semi-Annual Business Meeting – A change this year is that the meeting will take place during the Sunday School hour. There will not be a meal.

**November 5** Harvest Thanks Sunday

## Et Cetera

**The MCC Mini Comforter Blitz** will take place September 29 & 30 at the MCC Material Resources Center in North Newton! MCC is in need of 7000 comforters to meet our partner requests by November. Requests for comforters from areas affected by current natural disasters will make that number climb higher. Check [mcc.org/comforter-blitz](http://mcc.org/comforter-blitz) for more details, or contact [katemast@mcc.org](mailto:katemast@mcc.org), 316-283-2720.

**Camp Mennoscah invites you and everyone you know to Work & Play Camp** from September 29 to October 3! It's a blast for folks of all ages. We'll be working on projects and making camp shiny from head to toe. Interspersed with all that fun will be breaks, devotions, and friends to chat with and play games. On Sunday, October 1, we'll break from our routine with worship and the annual meeting. Come for a day or for the full camp. NO COST for this retreat! Please let us know you're coming by registering online at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org) or calling 620-297-3290.

**Camp Mennoscah's Annual Meeting** is October 1 at 5:30 p.m. in the Camp Mennoscah dining hall. Everyone is invited! Please RSVP by registering online at [campmennoscah.org](http://campmennoscah.org) or calling 620-297-3290. The meeting will include a Live Auction Fundraiser with meals for 6-10 people up for bid, hosted by board members and supporters of Camp Mennoscah. Meals include "Mic Drop" Lasagna and Cheesecake, an Old-fashioned Sunday Dinner, Bed and Breakfast at Bluestem, and a German Sausage Tasting. The agenda also includes recognition of Kelly Stucky's 19 years as the Senior High Camp program director, updates on the dining hall and kitchen renovations, and stories from campers about Camp Mennoscah's impact in life and faith.

**This year's Menno Simons Lecture** series is earlier than usual – October 8-9, at Bethel College, featuring renowned Lutheran writer and scholar Timothy J. Wengert, speaking on "Remembering 500 Years of Reformation Together" (2017 is the 500th-anniversary year of the Protestant Reformation); see [www.bethelks.edu/news-events/news/post/5585/](http://www.bethelks.edu/news-events/news/post/5585/).

**Fall Festival at Bethel College** – October 12-15 with most events Saturday, October 14; see [www.bethelks.edu/fallfest/](http://www.bethelks.edu/fallfest/).

**The Western District Conference End Death Penalty Task Force** announces that "The Kansas Death Penalty: What a Waste, 2017" KCADP Abolition Conference will take place October 21, 1:00-3:30 p.m. at McPherson Church of the Brethren, 200 N. Carrie, McPherson, Kansas. Speakers include: Roger Werholtz, retired Secretary of the Kansas Department of Corrections; Senator Carolyn McGinn, Chair of Senate Ways and Means Committee; Celeste Dixon, murder victim family member. Cost: Free and open to the public. RSVP by email [info@ksabolition.org](mailto:info@ksabolition.org) or call 785-235-2237.

**Urgent! MCC Mobile Meat Cannery Volunteer Needed!** MCC urgently seeks a volunteer that is at least 21 years old to work with the meat canner! Truck driving skills are ideal, but MCC is willing to provide training as well. The meat canning season starts up in October, please help MCC fill this vital need. For more information, please contact John Hillegass at [johnhillegass@mcc.org](mailto:johnhillegass@mcc.org) or (717) 859-1151.

**MCC responds to Hurricane Irma damage in Cuba and Haiti:** Hurricane Irma tore roofs from houses in Cuba and dashed houses to the ground. In Haiti, Irma's rain turned into flash floods that rushed into houses and caused families to escape in waist-high water. In both countries, crops, gardens and livestock were destroyed. Your gift to Mennonite Central Committee helps people in Cuba to rebuild and people in Haiti to recover. You can donate online at [donate.mcc.org/cause/hurricane-irma-response](http://donate.mcc.org/cause/hurricane-irma-response). Contributions can also be made by calling 1-888-563-4676 or sending a check to MCC, 21 S. 12th St., PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501.

**Nursery Next Sunday:** Kathy Balzer and Katherine Claassen  
**Greeters Next Sunday:** Allen and Elaine Patterson  
**Ushers Next Sunday:** Lucas Goossen and Lon Hiebert

**Offering Last Sunday:** Anabaptist Menn. Biblical Seminary \$1,447.00  
**Offering Next Sunday:** Mennonite Church USA

## **CHURCH OFFICES**

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