

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

September 28, 2008

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Pastor: James Voth

Keyboard: Teresa Martin

Whitewater, Kansas

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Youth Pastor: Katherine Goerzen

Chorister: Ben Lichti

* **Hymn** *Philippian Hymn* see insert

Patty Shelly

* **Benediction**

* **Benediction Hymn No. 530** *What wondrous love is this*

Verses 1, 3 & 4

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 *Christ as King and Christ as Servant*

Barbara Voth, Carol Claassen, Lisa Harms, Deb Hiebert

Scripture Reading - Christ is King

* **Hymn No. 106** *All hail the power of Jesus' name*

Scripture Reading - Christ as Servant

Hymn No. 307 *Will you let me be your servant*

Offering Western District Conference

Sharing and Prayer

Milton Guhr, Gideons International

Children's Moments

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

Special Music *To God Be the Glory*
Oh, How I Love Jesus

Samantha Claassen

Scripture Reading Philippians 2:1-11

Russell Janzen

Sermon *A Great Hymn of the Church: The Song of the Servant-Lord*

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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES BEGIN AT 10:45 A.M.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

For Sharing and Prayer

The flowers this morning are in honor of Pastor Jim's 30th anniversary of his ordination to ministry. We praise God for his many years of service!

Next Sunday is World Wide Communion Sunday. A tradition of the past in some Mennonite churches has been to offer a nod of affirmation and love when serving the person next to you. It is a sign of entering into communion in a right relationship with Christ and with one another. We invite you to prayerfully prepare for this service and, if so led, consider giving 'a nod' of affirmation and love to the brother or sister next to you.

This fall we will celebrate the harvest and God's full provision for us in our Harvest Mission Festival on Sunday, November 9. More information to follow.

Western District Conference: Pray for Eden Mennonite Church, Inola, OK in its pastoral search process and for Dave Gerbrandt, associate conference minister for Oklahoma, as he supports all pastors in Oklahoma.

Mennonite Mission Network: Benin Bible Institute has started a satellite program in Parakou, north of Cotonou. Pray for MMN worker Bruce Yoder as he teaches church history there October 3-6, and that churches will be stronger and more fruitful as a result of leadership.

Church Events

Today at noon Junior Department Sunday School Teacher Appreciation Dinner.

Today College Age Lunch: Peter and Katherine will be hosting a lunch for all college-age young adults after church today at our home in Hesston. All are welcome and encouraged to invite friends!

This evening at 7:00 p.m. Semi-annual Business Meeting.

Wednesday 6:10 p.m. Kid's Meal at the church*

6:50 – 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir in sanctuary

7:00 – 8:15 p.m. Children's and Youth Programming

7:30 – 8:00 p.m. Adult-praise, prayer, biblical reflections

*If you are unable to attend the meal, please contact Kaye Penner (283-3948) or Barb Voth (283-2644).

Cost of the meal: High School & Adults \$3.00 Children \$2.50

Next Sunday at 7:00 p.m. A Sunday Evening Worship Service on Anti-Recruitment and the military, sponsored by the Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

October 18-19 Church Retreat at Camp Mennoscah. Come and enjoy "New Creation!" The schedule and registration forms are out; if you need one see Peter Goerzen. Please return forms to Peter by October 5.

Announcements

College Age/Young Adult Sunday School: All College Age and Young Adults are invited to Sunday School under the balcony in the Fellowship Hall today after worship.

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.

Special Music Next Sunday: Matt Regier

Keyboard Next Sunday: Julia Washburn

Nursery This Sunday: Deb Regier and Katie Regier

Nursery Next Sunday: Deb Hiebert and Brittany Claassen

Ushers Next Sunday: Lon Hiebert and Dean Patterson

Offering Last Sunday: Youth Group Missions \$2,689.00

Offering Next Sunday: Mennonite Church USA

CHURCH OFFICES

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Youth Pastor: Katherine Goerzen

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Church Website: www.gracehillmc.org

Et Cetera

The Bethel College Women's Association Market on the Green Committee is asking for donations of ethnic foods: homemade noodles, pies, other baked goods and produce for Fall Festival on October 4. Bring your items to church and leave them in the kitchen before 7 a.m. Saturday or bring them to the tent on the green Saturday morning after 7:30 a.m.

Our church needs to provide 10 pies for the ethnic noon meal at Fall Fest this Saturday. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you can bring a pie or two. Pies can be taken to the gym on campus or may be left in the kitchen here at church before 7 a.m. on Saturday morning. There is also a need for people to help serve the noon meal. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

38th annual Fall Festival at Bethel College, October 2-6, with most events Saturday. See Kauffman Museum's current special exhibit, "Pathways of Tradition: Native American Footwear 1860-1930," and hear presentations throughout the day by Bethel alumni on oil drilling and conservation in Alaska, the Tumacácori (Ariz.) Mission and the katydids of central Kansas. Visit www.bethelks.edu to see a festival schedule, call 1-800-522-1887, ext. 251, or 316-284-5251, or e-mail dgraber@bethelks.edu.

Before Bethel College Fall Fest, come enjoy a hearty Country Breakfast at Kidron Bethel Village on Saturday, October 4, 7:00-9:00 a.m. The menu includes pancakes, whole-hog sausage, scrambled eggs, orange juice and coffee. A donation is requested for the meal. Proceeds to purchase Health Care transport van and Health Care activity furnishings. Fresh sausage for sale - 2 lb for \$10.

Festival Gospel Sing at Whitewater Fall Festival. October 4 from 5-7 p.m. at the Swiss Church parking lot. Bring your lawn chair and enjoy some good toe-tapping, hand-clapping gospel music. Anyone who would like to perform at the Festival, please contact Pastor Norman Tillotson, Palmyra Baptist Church at 316-250-1681, palmyrabap@pixius.net by October 1.

Grapevine, a group of Christian educators who share and brainstorm issues, ideas and solutions, will gather at 7 p.m. on Thursday, October 9 at the Western District Conference office. All are welcome! Interested? Call Marlene Bogard at 316-283-6300.

Father Roy Bourgeois, decorated Vietnam veteran, Catholic priest, and founder of the School of the Americas Watch [www.soaw.org/], has been imprisoned for his protests, lectures and demonstrations. He will speak on "The Struggle for Peace and Justice in Latin America" in Krehbiel Auditorium on the Bethel College campus, North Newton, at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 7. Sponsored by the Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR), the Students for Social Change of Bethel College, and the Peace and Social Justice Center of South Central Kansas, this lecture is free and open to the public. A freewill offering will be taken for the SOA Watch Latin America Project. For additional information, call KIPCOR: 316-284-5217. <http://www.bethelks.edu/kipcor/lectures/pls.php>

Camp Mennoscah Can you believe it? MennoFolk Family Camp is almost here! Brochures have been sent and activities have been planned. Come join us October 10-12 for smores, music, and all sorts of camping fun. Contact Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290 or campmno@mennowdc.org or more information.

"**Proclamation by Design**" is co-sponsored by the Western District Conference and Faith and Life Bookstore, Newton, and will be held at Shalom Mennonite Church in Newton on October 11. Come to absorb ideas, learn techniques and practical theology on worship and the visual arts. The deadline for the \$30 registration fee is October 3. Visit <http://www.mennowdc.org/ProclamationByDesign.pdf> for registration form.

Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton, invites everyone to celebrate its **100th anniversary** with special events October 10, 11, and 12. Friday 7:30 p.m. - Dr. James Juhnke, Bethel College History Professor Emeritus, lecture on the life of Rev. P. H. Richert. Saturday 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. - Family fun events. 2:00 - "The Greenhorns" bluegrass and gospel concert. Evening - German meal and drama. Sunday worship and noon potluck. Contact the Tabor Church office at 620-367-2318 or e-mail tabor@tabormennonite.org for more information.

Western District Conference invites you for an evening of singing hymns, storytelling, and music featuring Jonathan Larson, long-time Mennonite pastor and speaker about Africa - its beauty and travail. Everyone is invited to Bethel College Mennonite Church, Sunday, October 26 at 7:00 p.m.

Camp Mennoscah Thank you to all our Work & Play Camp attendees for their hard work! Many of the tasks needed to prepare Camp Mennoscah for the winter months have been completed. We had a great time and look forward to seeing you and others next year.