

GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

October 9, 2005

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Pastor: James Voth

Keyboard: Chelsea Vaught

Whitewater, Kansas

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Youth Pastor: Brett Klingenberg

Chorister: Valerie Klaassen

* **Hymn No. 411** *I Bind My Heart This Tide*

* **Benediction**

* **Sending Hymn No. 395** *Here I Am, Lord*

Postlude *Praise To The Lord, The Almighty* Cherwien

Prelude *O God, Our Help in Ages Past* Manz
Mediation on "Adoro Te Devote" Callahan

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.

Opening Silence and Meditation

Scripture Reading Luke 10:25-37 Reader: Dan Schroeder

Special Music Jack Griffith

A Commitment of our Offerings Local Church Missions

Offertory *Let All Things Now Living* Stoldt

* **Hymn No. 307** *Will You Let Me Be Your Servant*

Sharing and Prayer

Children's Story *Love Your Neighbor* Cowboy Jack and Miss Oni

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

Scripture Reading Amos 5:21-24 Matthew 7:21-27
Reader: Elaine Patterson

Message *Caring for your Neighbor* Pastor Brett

* 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!**

A special thank you to Jack and Leona Griffith for providing the children's story and special music this morning.

For Sharing and Prayer

In the hospital: Alma Schmidt - Wesley Medical Center, Wichita

Pastor Jim is absent today; he is taking a vacation day.

Sincere thanks for your interest, concern, cards and prayers in the past year during me surgery and cancer treatment. In August the tests were negative. I am planning a year delayed trip to Germany to visit relatives and friends leaving on October 11 to November 4. Thanks again,
Doris J. Reimer

A very sincere "thank you" to everyone who helped wait tables at the German/Swiss meal at Bethel's Fall Festival. Thank you also for the delicious looking pies that were baked by Grace Hill ladies. All of it was appreciated!

A newsletter from Jason Schmidt is posted on the bulletin board.

Western District Conference: Pray for Roger Neufeld Smith, WDC moderator, as he attends the MC USA Constituency Leaders Council in Kansas City.

Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for MMN worker Jackie Wyse in Almere, the Netherlands, as she interacts with Dutch Mennonite congregations interested in mission outreach in their own communities.

Announcements

The Youth Group will again be holding a 5th Quarter event this Friday the 14th. A sign-up sheet will be going around during Sunday School. Thanks for your support in this growing event.

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: Barbara Voth and Carol Claassen (Kendall)

Nursery Next Sunday: Tammy Regehr and Amanda Regehr

Special Music Next Sunday: Celebration Singers

Keyboard Next Sunday: Linda Harms

Ushers Next Sunday: Mike Balzer and Kendall Claassen

Offering Last Sunday: Mennonite Church USA \$1,491.26

Offering Next Sunday: Wheat State Manor

Monday at 7:00 p.m. Hands of Friendship meet at church. Program: Work Night – Tying comfort & cut rug strips for Et Cetera Shop; Devotions: Nancy Schmidt; Hostess: Miriam Claassen; Financial Projects: Hands of Friendship Treasury.

Wednesday at 7:00 – 8:15 p.m. Children’s and Youth Programming
7:00 – 7:40 p.m. Adult Bible Study
7:45 – 8:30 p.m. Adult Choir

Next Sunday at noon Business Council will meet at church.

Saturday, October 22 Workday at church.

Sunday, October 23 at 4:30 p.m. Senior Faspa (for those 65 and over) in the Community Room at Kidron Bethel.

November 1-3 Mennonite Central Committee Meat Canning in North Newton.

November 4 at 1:30 p.m. Mennonite Mutual Aid representatives will be at Grace Hill to discuss drug prescription cards that will be offered in November.

High School Youth Group

October 14 – 5th Quarter at Doug Claassen’s after RHS football game
approx. 9:00-11:30 p.m.

October 28 – Corn Maze with Zion youth group. Time: TBA

Wednesday Night – We will begin our study of Philippians.

Junior Youth Group

Howdy Pardners! Don't forget to RSVP to Tim/Lisa Schmidt if you plan on attending the Roundup Supper on October 15, Saturday. The wagon train will leave the church parking lot at 5:00 p.m. and return around 8:30 p.m.

Urgent! Mennonite Central Committee is needing our help in October to assemble and ship school kits to those in need. We have been scheduled to work at MCC on October 22, Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. We will gather for lunch in Newton following our work at MCC. We will leave the church parking lot at 8:30 a.m. and return at 1:00 p.m. Please bring money for lunch. This is a wonderful opportunity to help others. We look forward to seeing you for both events!

The American Baptist Women Ministries at Palmyra Baptist Church invite you to join them for the Annual Guest Tea on Wednesday, October 12 at 1:30 p.m. Susan Peters, news anchor of KAKE-TV will be the guest speaker. Refreshments will be served. Palmyra Baptist Church is located at 999 NW Butler Road, Benton.

Kansas Friends of Mennonite Central Committee (formerly Kansas All Mennonite Women) will hold their annual fall meeting on Thursday, October 13 at Tabor Mennonite Church. Registration and coffee will begin at 9:30 a.m. John Stoesz, new MCC director, will be the featured speaker, with several additional presenters who will share their adventure in following Christ. Attendees are asked to bring a sack lunch. Drinks will be provided. See the flyer on the bulletin board for more details.

Michael Berg, whose youngest son Nicholas was beheaded in May 2004 by Iraqi extremists in retaliation for the abuse of Iraqi soldiers at Abu Ghraib prison, will share his journey as he sought healing and forgiveness of his son's executioners. We invite *you* to share his journey Thursday, October 13, in Krehbiel Auditorium on the Bethel College campus at 7:30 p.m. The event is sponsored by the Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR) and Students for Social Change (SSC) of Bethel College. Call 316-284-5217 for further details.

Christian Education and Spiritual Formation Seminar with Marlene Bogard will be held on October 16 from 12:00 – 2:30 p.m. at the Zion Mennonite Church. Everyone is invited to participate in this seminar, which will focus on integrating spiritual formation into Christian education. For the meal, please bring your “brown bag”. Drinks will be provided.

Wheat State Manor is having a Craft Fair on Friday, October 21, from 1:30-4:00 p.m. The Auxiliary will have a bake sale during this fair. Any baked items donated to this cause will be appreciated. Thank you. If you have any questions contact Agnes Harder, Gladys Reimer or Miriam Claassen.

80 Up or Down Senior Retreat sponsored by Western District and South Central Conferences will be held at Crosswind Conference Center in Hesston on October 31 and November 1. This retreat is for adults, mid 50s and up, for a time of relaxation, learning, inspiration, laughter,

reminiscing, singing, fun and games. Registration deadline is October 9. See the flyer on the bulletin board.

Kidron Bethel Village Builders Banquet, Tuesday, November 8, 6:00 p.m., at Faith Mennonite Church. Tickets \$100 (\$90 tax-deductible gift). Proceeds go toward Bethel Health Care Neighborhoods Project. Entertainment: Greg Claassen, ventriloquist, and LouAnn Voth, vocalist. Contact Ron Braun or DeeAnn Hein for tickets. 284-2900.

Volunteer or volunteers needed to lead Bible Study in Suderman Assisted Living, Kidron Bethel Village, beginning in November, every Tuesday from 3:00-4:00 p.m. Contact Ginger King 284-2900, ext. 249.

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