

# GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

October 16, 2005

Whitewater, Kansas

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: James Voth

Youth Pastor: Brett Klingenberg

Keyboard: Linda Harms

**A Commitment of our Offerings** Wheat State Manor  
**Offertory**

Laura Harms

## Sharing and Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer*

Our Father who are in heaven, hallowed be thine name

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread

And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, amen.

\* **Congregational Prayer Response: Hymn No. 538** *Lead Me, Lord*

**Scripture Reading** Ephesians 4:17-24

Reader: Gladys Reimer

**Choral Anthem** *With the Help of the Spirit of the Lord*

Celebration Singers

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

**Sermon** *Taking care of your new self!*

\* **Hymn No. 546** *Guide My Feet*

\* **Benediction**

\* **Choral Benediction** *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

Celebration Singers

Chorus:

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;

Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy.

Send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

## 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**

## 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.

**Choral Call to Worship** *Sanctuary*

Celebration Singers

\* **Litany of Praise** Psalm 96:1-3, 11-13

**Leader** Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD,  
all the earth. Sing to the LORD, praise his name;  
proclaim his salvation day after day.  
Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

**People** Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;  
let the sea resound, and all that is in it;  
let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them.  
Then all the trees of the forest will sing for joy;  
They will sing before the LORD, for he comes,  
He comes to judge the earth.  
The Lord will judge the world in righteousness  
and the peoples in his truth.

## Gathering Prayer

\* **Hymn No. 59** *Sing Praise To God Who Reigns*

**In the hospital:**

Elda Lichti - Newton Medical Center, Newton  
Alma Schmidt - Newton Medical Center, Newton

**Western District Conference:** Pray for the WDC leadership (all staff, committees, and representatives) as they gather for the Reference Council on Saturday, October 22, at Faith Mennonite Church, Newton.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Pray for MMN workers Neal Blough and Linda Oyer as they teach October 17-21 at the university-level French-speaking Anabaptist program at Bienenberg, Switzerland. They are developing new course content and are teaching this year on the theme "The Church." Thank God for several new students.

**Nursery This Sunday:** Lisa Harms and Camille Claassen

**Nursery Next Sunday:** Debbie Claassen and Rita Patterson

**Special Music Next Sunday:** Praise Team

**Keyboard Next Sunday:** Teresa Martin

**Ushers Next Sunday:** Rob Schunn and Becky Voth

**Offering Last Sunday:** Local Church \$4,744.00

**Offering Next Sunday:** Western District Conference

**Church Events**

**Today at noon** Business Council will meet at church.

**Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.** Spiritual Council meets at church.

**Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.** Education Council meets at church.

**Wednesday at 6:10 p.m.** All Church Meal\*

**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

\*To make or cancel reservations for the meal please contact Tammy Regehr (799-2911) or Barb Voth (283-2644).

Cost of the meal: Adults \$3.00 Children \$2.50

\*\*The ages 3 to kindergarten class with Jen Ulbrich will now have class until 8:15 p.m. The high school youth group meets until 8:30 p.m.

**Saturday at 8:00 a.m.** Workday at church.

**Next Sunday at noon** Peace and Social Concerns Committee will meet at church.

**Next Sunday 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.

**November 13** Harvest Thanks Day

**October 28** – Corn Maze with Zion youth group. Time: TBA  
**The youth will be selling poinsettias** for the advent season. Look for the sign up sheet.

### **Junior Youth Group**

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!

**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.

### **High School Youth Group**

**Wednesday at 7:00 – 7:30 p.m.** Parents' meeting with Brett. It would be great if we could have at least one parent per family.

**Wednesday Night** – Study of Philippians – chapter one

### **Et Cetera**

**Christian Education and Spiritual Formation Seminar with Marlene Bogard** will be held today 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.

**The Bethel College Sinfonia Chamber Orchestra and Wind Ensemble** will give a joint concert Monday, October 17, at 7:30 p.m. in Memorial Hall. Richard Tirk, Bethel’s new assistant professor of music, will make his conducting debut at Bethel with this concert. The concert is free although donations will be accepted.

**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.

**The Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church**, rural Inman, will be hosting its annual Mission Sausage Supper from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 22. The menu of sausage, mashed potatoes, creamed peas, applesauce, zwiebach and pie will be a serving per plate voluntary contribution meal. Proceeds will benefit *Luz en Mi Camino*, a Christian drug and rehabilitation ministry supported by Mennonite Central Committee. *Luz en Mi Camino* is in its second year of ministry and it provides a 64 person residential addictions treatment program for adolescents and adults together with their respective families. Located near Cuauhtémoc, Mexico in the Manitoba Mennonite Colony, it serves both the German Mennonite and Hispanic Mexican population, using an interactive Christian 12-step recovery program. The program combines teachings from A.A. and the teachings found in Scripture. To date they have served over 160 people. Please come and support this mission! Directions: Hesston (14 miles west, 2.5 miles north); Buhler (5 miles east, 2.5 miles north); Inman (3 miles south, 5 east, 0.5 south).

**Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church** will hold their Fall Bazaar on Saturday, October 29 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. See the flyer on the bulletin board for more details.

**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.

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