

Grace Hill Mennonite Church

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

October 29, 2017



“Favorite Stories of the Old Testament”

Prelude

Greetings & Announcements

* “Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God” HWB 324

Gathering & Prayer

* “Praise Him, Praise Him!” HWB 100

Offering to God Mennonite Disaster Service

Offertory

*Doxology (Psalm 100) HWB 119

Sharing & Congregational Prayer

Scripture Reading 1 Samuel 17

Children’s Story “David & Goliath”

Sermon “A Gem for Children – A Quarry for Adults”

* “A Mighty Fortress is Our God” HWB 165

* Benediction

* “The LORD Lift You Up” SJ 73

*Indicates those comfortable in doing so, please stand.

- 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!

Serving in Worship

Pastor	Weldon Martens
Scripture Reader	Kris Goossen
Keyboard	Ellen Mosiman
Song Leader	Penny Hiebert
Greeters	Galen & Roberta Harms
Ushers	Josh Patterson & Rob Schunn
Nursery	Katherine Claassen & Lily Hilgenfeld

For Sharing and Prayer

Western District Conference: Pray for WDC congregations supporting immigrants in their communities and families, and for those who offer immigration-related training and resources.

Mennonite Mission Network: Country School, an English-language academy in Spain founded by Brian and Noelia Fox, is starting its fifth year of classes this month. Pray for the Fox family, serving with Mennonite Mission Network, as they help their students grow in faith as well as intellectually.

Announcements

The congregation voted last Sunday to accept the proposed changes to the church constitution. The vote passed 59-3. The slate for the 2018 Leadership Council was affirmed.

The Mennonite subscription list is being updated. The church has a group-rate policy and each subscription costs the church \$37.00. If you are not receiving *The Mennonite* and would like to, or if you are currently receiving it and would like to discontinue your subscription, please contact Debbie Claassen by November 12.

Nursery Next Sunday: Lisa Harms and Bethany Regehr

Greeters Next Sunday: Doug and Katherine Claassen

Ushers Next Sunday: Lucas Goossen and Lon Hiebert

Offering Last Sunday: Western District Conference \$1,109.00

Offering Next Sunday: Mennonite Church USA

Church Events

Monday at 8:00 p.m. Care Council meets

Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. All Church Meal and following the meal, Family Night for all ages – everyone is invited!

Menu this week: Pulled Pork

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

Thursday at 7:30 p.m. Missions Council meets

Change of date – Harvest Thanks has been changed to November 19.

The date was changed due to a scheduling conflict for our speaker, Byron Pellecer, Western District Conference Associate Conference Minister (Texas-based).

December 11 Ladies - Mark your calendars for the annual Hands of Friendship Luncheon on Monday, December 11 at 12 noon. More information to follow. If you have questions, contact: Elaine Patterson (283-6844) or Marge Harms (283-4314).

The Newton Area Mennonite Central Committee Meat Canning will take place this week: Tuesday, October 31 in the afternoon and Wednesday and Thursday, November 1 & 2 all day at the MCC Center in North Newton. Below is a schedule:

<u>Grind/Can</u>	<u>Wash/Label Cans</u>
6:10 am	
8:40 am	9:10 am
11:15 am	11:40 am
1:45 pm	2:15 pm
4:20 pm	4:45 pm
6:55 pm	7:20 pm

Please arrive 15 minutes before the shift. Each shift takes about 1 hour.

Contact Kendall Claassen or Kim Claassen if you have questions.

Et Cetera

Lecture by Brad Born on Pat Barker's novel *Regeneration*, October 29 at 3 p.m., Kauffman Museum. This talk is part of the programming around the museum's special exhibit "Voices of Conscience: Peace Witness in the Great War." Born is professor of English at Bethel College, and the novel is set during World War I.

Bethel College Sings, featuring the Women's Chorus and the Men's Ensemble, Woven and Open Road, the Concert Choir, and soloists, November 5 at 3 p.m., Bethel College Mennonite Church.

Seminar to help people prepare for long-term care costs - Many families face the high cost of long-term care at some point, and most of the costs are not covered by Medicare or private health insurance. Everence® is presenting a seminar, *Current strategies for long-term care*, at 6:30 p.m. Nov. 16 at Meridian Center, 1420 E. Broadway Court, Newton. Information will focus on handling costs of long-term care without wiping out your life savings. Coffee and desserts will be served. Please RSVP by Nov. 9 to Sandy Popp at (620) 662-7900 or sandy.popp@everence.com.

We have space available for you! Grab your photos and crafts--and a friend or two--and come to Camp Mennoscah's Scrapbook and Crafts Retreat, November 17-19! It's three days of amazing people, astounding make-n-takes, and astronomically grand times! Register online at campmennoscah.org or give us a call at 620-297-3290! We're here to help you join in the fun!

The Worship and the Arts Festival Choir is calling on all interested singers to join the evening worship celebration Saturday, Nov. 18, in Bethel College's Memorial Hall. Rehearsal is that evening from 5-6:30 p.m., with supper provided. The service begins at 7:30. Please **contact Dr. William Eash** at weash@bethelks.edu to reserve your place in the choir! For more information about the Worship and the Arts Symposium, on the Bethel campus during the day Nov. 18, see bethelks.edu/worshiparts.

Ten Thousand Village/Fair Trade International Gift Festival is coming to Newton at the Mezzanine above Prairie Harvest, 601 N Main. It will be open on November 24-25, December 1-3, 8-10, 15-17. Hours on Fridays and Saturdays: 10 am-5 pm. Hours on Sundays: 1-4 pm.

Calling all volunteers! The remodeling of the Camp Mennoscah kitchen will begin this December, and we will need volunteers! Here is a beginning tentative schedule: **December 2 - 9:** Remove all present equipment and fixtures in kitchen. Remove ceiling and all plumbing pipes and electric as needed. **December 11:** Have kitchen area ready for plumbing and electrical contractors. Further dates will be advertised as we progress. If you are interested in working on the remodel project, please contact Jim Yoder at 316-284-3890 (call or text), jdwyder@cox.net, or to Camp Mennoscah at 620-297-3290, office@campmennoscah.org. Include your name, address, phone, and e-mail address. Thanks for considering this opportunity!

Hopi Mission School is not in operation this term while a reassessment is being made about its future. Please discontinue saving Campbell's product labels. Many schools collect Boxtops for Education, so you are encouraged to give or send yours to a school in your community.

CHURCH OFFICES

Pastor's Office Hours:

Wednesday - Afternoon, Friday - day off

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