

# GRACE HILL MENNONITE CHURCH

October 31, 2004

Whitewater, Kansas

Worship 9:30 a.m.

Sunday School 10:45 a.m.

Pastor: James Voth

Youth Pastor: Brett Klingenberg

Chorister: Suzy Burch

Worship Leader: Brett Klingenberg

## Prelude

<i>Forgiveness</i>	Stairwell
<i>He is Exalted</i>	Shane & Shane
<i>I'm going to that Holy City</i>	Open Road
<i>Do you think of the Cross?</i>	Bluegrass 5
<i>Do you know that Jesus is your Friend?</i>	Stairwell
<i>Just a singing a gospel song</i>	Shane & Shane
<i>Glorious things of Thee are spoken</i>	Full Table
<i>This is my Father's World</i>	Bethel College Choir 2002

## 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.*

- \* **Choral Call to Worship** *Shine, Jesus, Shine* Children's Choir
- \* **Preparing our Hearts to Worship** Isaiah 1:17-18 Pastor Brett
- \* **Gathering Prayer** Pastor Brett
- \* **Hymn No. 59** *Sing Praise To God Who Reigns*

**Offering** Peace Connections  
**Offertory** Jana Harms

**Children's Moments** *Peace Seeds* Myrna Krehbiel

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

**Sharing and Congregational Prayer** Pastor Jim  
Prayer of Dedication for 65 blankets to Sudan.

A project of Hands of Friendship  
**Anthem** *God Loves A Cheerful Giver* Children's Choir

*Children to age 5 may be dismissed to the library for childcare*

**Scripture Reading** 1 Corinthians 5:9-13 Reader: Tim Harms

**Message** *When the lines become blurred* Pastor Jim  
*... and Reformation Sunday, All Saints Eve and Election Day*

\* **Hymn No. 372** *O Healing River*

\* **Benediction** Pastor Jim

\* **Choral Benediction** *And I Will Raise You Up* Children's Choir  
Soloist: Curt Regehr

## Postlude

*When in our music God is glorified* Bethel College Choir 2003  
*Let me rest* Bluegrass 5

\* 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

### In the Hospital

Fred Stuart, Newton Medical Center  
Rita Patterson, Kansas Heart Hospital, Wichita  
Helena Friesen, St. Francis Hospital, Wichita

We thank the Grace Hill family for prayers, expressions of sympathy, cards and flowers at the passing of my mother, Jeannette Isaac.

Gary and Jean Isaac

**Mennonite Central Committee** is sending \$4.6 million U.S. worth of food and relief supplies to thousands of victims of violence in Sudan.

About 50,000 people have been killed and more than 1 million displaced from their homes and villages by roving militia. MCC hopes to donate 100,000 blankets to these people. Grace Hill Hands of Friendship have collected 65 blankets to be given for this purpose. Thank you to all who contributed.

**Western District Conference:** Pray as we assemble the Texas youth ministry committee, and build the Texas Youth Ministry program.

**Mennonite Mission Network:** Pray for Tongbai, interim team leader, and other local staff who are carrying on ministry among the Isaan people in the Borabur area of Thailand, during the North American Ministry of mission workers Pat and Rad Houmphan.

### **Church Events**

**Monday afternoon** Quilters are invited to the church every Monday afternoon to quilt on the MCC quilt.

**Tuesday - Thursday** Newton Area Mennonite Central Committee Meat Canning at the MCC Center, 121 East 30<sup>th</sup> in North Newton. Work starts at 6:30 a.m. each morning, can washing and labeling at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday and 7:00 a.m. on Wednesday and Thursday. Grace Hill Relief Canning Committee is scheduled to serve lunch at noon on Wednesday. Come and join in the work and fellowship! Questions? See Edgar Harms or Willard Wiebe.

**Wednesday 6:10 p.m.** Kid's Meal at the church\*  
**7:00 p.m.** Children's and Youth Programming  
**7:40 p.m.** Adult Choir

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

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

**Next Sunday between worship and Sunday School** Leona Harms will be 100 years old on November 10, 2004. We will help her celebrate next Sunday with a reception after the worship service. Children will be served in their classrooms.

**Next Sunday at 6:00 p.m.** Administrative Council meets at church.

**Monday, November 8 at 7:00 p.m.** Hands of Friendship will meet at church. Program: Laura Ann Schrag – “Growing Up Amish” and work projects; Devotions: Lisa Schmidt; Hostess: Gladys Harms; Financial Project: Mennonite Women USA.

**November 14** Harvest Thanks Day - Juan Sieber from Argentina will be our guest speaker. *For the Harvest Thanks noon meal*, there will be a sign-up sheet in the Sunday School classes today to sign up to bring salads or pies. **6:00 p.m.** Pizza Party with Juan.

**November 21 at 7:00 p.m.** A benefit concert for Mennonite Central Committee at Grace Hill. Several groups will be performing.

### Announcements

**You're invited to join “Prayers of the Church”** each Sunday morning from 9:00 – 9:10 a.m. in the library. Please feel free to place prayer requests in the prayer box in the foyer.

**You can HEAR the worship service even better using the church's FM radio transmitter.** All that is needed is a small AM/FM radio with headphones. Tune to FM 104.9 and you may receive the worship service seated anywhere in the sanctuary. Several radios are available at church or bring your own. If you have any questions our sound technicians will be glad to assist you.

**Nursery This Sunday:** Kris Goossen and Courtney Claassen  
**Nursery Next Sunday:** Deb Regier and Katie Regier

**Ushers Next Sunday:** Lon Hiebert and Dean Patterson

**Offering Last Sunday:** Western District Conference \$657.00  
**Offering Next Sunday:** Mennonite Church USA

### CHURCH OFFICES

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### Et Cetera

**Dave and Mary Lou Klassen** will speak at Alexanderwohl Mennonite Church near Goessel on October 31 at 7:00 p.m. They have served in several locations with Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) and are now

returning from seven years with MCC in Uganda as Country Representatives. The Uganda program involves work with relief, long-term development, peace, HIV / AIDS and inter-faith programs. The Klassen have produced video tools to accompany their presentations. Everyone is invited to attend this program to learn more about the Klassen's work and the mission of Mennonite Central Committee. An offering will be taken for MCC, and an informal reception will follow the program.

**Lee Palmer Wandel**, professor of history at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, will give the 53<sup>rd</sup> Menno Simons Lectures October 31-November 2 at Bethel College. The theme for the four-lecture series is "Faith and Humanity: How Do We Tell the Story of the Reformation?" Wandel will speak at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday as well as at 11:00 a.m. on November 1. All sessions will be held in Krehbiel Auditorium in the Fine Arts Center on the Bethel campus and are free and open to the public.

**The M2 (Match two) program of Offender / Victim Ministries** is holding an orientation for new volunteers November 4, 2004, 6:30 p.m., at the Hutchinson Correctional Facility East Unit. M2 is an in-prison friendship program that seeks to help inmates make the necessary life changes to become successful when they are released. Most of the inmates in M2 receive no other visits than those of their M2 friend. A volunteer commits to visit one evening per month. Contact Gary Isaac at OVM (316-283-2038) for more information.

**Lorraine Avenue Mennonite Church** (655 S. Lorraine, Wichita) will be holding their Fall Bazaar to support church missions on Saturday, November 6 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The day includes a traditional German Mennonite meal from 11:15 a.m. – 1:15 p.m., old fashioned bake sale, arts and crafts fair and specialty foods.

**Mennonite Singles Group** will meet at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 6, at First Mennonite Brethren Church, 8000 W. 21st St., Wichita. If you are single or single again, 30 to 50's, join us at the praise and worship service then to Jared's home for a soup supper and games. Please call Jonathan Ensz at 620-367-4627, or Karen Hostetler at 316-722-0506, or email Karen at [mennosingles606@yahoo.com](mailto:mennosingles606@yahoo.com), to RSVP and sign up to bring soup or a covered dish.

**"The Paradoxical Death Penalty: An Experience of Contradictions"** will be presented by Dr. Michael Radelet Saturday, November 6, 7:00 p.m. at the Fairmount United Church of Christ, 1650 Fairmount, Wichita. For more information you may call the Kansas Coalition Against the Death Penalty, 785-232-2272 or email [kcadp1176@earthlink.net](mailto:kcadp1176@earthlink.net).

**Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution (KIPCOR)** continues the Peace Lecture Series on Thursday, November 11 at 7:30 p.m. at Krehbiel Auditorium, Bethel College, North Newton. Jim Forest will speak on "Living Without Fear in the Post – 9/11 World."

**Mennonite Disaster Service** would like to have crews of volunteers to work on several projects in Palacios, Texas during the next several months. There is a group of 5-7 long term workers in Palacios, but since there are about 20 projects of various sizes, larger groups are needed to help with repairing houses, including roofs and porches, installing siding, structural repair and sheet rock installation. If a group could go or individuals from different places in Kansas could get together and form a group, call State Coordinator Gordon Unruh at 620-834-2319 for more information and for scheduling which week would be best.