

Grace Hill Mennonite Church

June 1, 2025

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

GATHERING

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call To Worship

*Opening Hymn *To God be the glory* HWB 102

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Children's Story Courtney
Nethercot

Special Music Penny Hiebert

Scripture

Sermon David Janzen

*Hymn of Response *A mighty fortress is our God* HWB 165

RESPONDING

Offering Mennonite Church
USA

Offertory
* *Doxology* HWB 119

Hymn *Lord, listen to your children* HWB 353

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

SENDING

*Closing Hymn *Come, come, ye saints* HWB
425

*Benediction

Postlude

*Indicates those comfortable in doing so, please stand.

*Guest Speaker: David Janzen Worship Leader: Deb Regier
Keyboard: Ellen Youngman Usher: Mike Balzer*

For Sharing and Prayer

Western District Conference: Give thanks for this summer's first Story Day at the WDC Resource Library, on the theme of Pentecost with a Playground ribbon-cutting, and pray for a fun and faith-filled experience for all who participate in-person and virtually!

Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for participants in the Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) units in Alamosa, Colorado; San Francisco, California; and Tucson, Arizona, as they are coming to the end of their terms. Pray that they would bring closure to the relationships they've built within their households, communities, service assignments and host congregations and that they would feel ready to follow God's leading into the next chapters of their lives. Praise God for the four participants who are continuing MVS for a second year.

Karen Andres will be available to the congregation for critical pastoral care and funeral needs in the short term. Please contact Care Council Chair Doug Claassen with any care needs during this time of transition for our congregation.

Church Events

Monday through Thursday - WAVES OF WONDER, we are joining with Zion Mennonite for a Vacation Bible School experience that will take place at Grace Hill from 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for all PreK 3-year-olds to current 6th graders. Please contact Deb Regier if you have any questions.

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Leadership Council meets.

Next Sunday, June 8 at 10:00 a.m. we will worship together with Zion at King Park in Hesston, and our VBS students will share what they learned during the week. A potluck meal will follow the service. Please bring a dish to share. **There will be no service at Grace Hill on June 8.**

Sunday, June 15 at 9:00 a.m. Breakfast in the Outback

Announcements

Follow Jesus 25 the 2025 Convention of Mennonite Church USA will be held in Greensboro, NC, July 8-12. If you would like to be a delegate for Grace Hill, please contact K. John Klaassen.

The 2025 Western District Annual Assembly will be August 8-9 at Hesston Mennonite Church. Theme: *Anabaptism @ 500: Faithfulness Then and Now*. Please contact K. John, if you are willing to be a delegate.

Offerings received May 1-31, 2025

Local Church	5,400.00
MCUSA	620.00
MDS	1,340.00
WDC	<u>1,150.00</u>
Total	\$ 8,510.00

Offering Next Sunday: Local Church Missions

Church Offices

Church Secretary: *Debbie Claassen*

Secretary's E-mail: secretary@gracehillmc.org


Church Website: www.gracehillmc.org

Church address: 10218 SE 12th, Whitewater, Kansas 67154

Et Cetera

Kauffman Museum will host the U.S. premiere of the documentary *Where the Cottonwoods Grow* by Dale Hildebrand, June 1 at 3 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center, Bethel College. Ticket purchase is required – online at <https://kauffmanmuseum.org/event/film-premiere-where-the-cottonwoods-grow/> or at Thresher Shop in Schultz Student Center, Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Offender Victim Ministries is hosting a viewing of a new Netflix documentary that tells the story of several inmates in a Missouri prison who have taken up the craft of quilting. “The Quilters” follows the daily lives of several men, spending most of their screen time inside the sewing room at South Central Correctional Center, a Level 5 maximum security prison in Missouri. You are invited to join us for the 33-minutes film at 209 S. Pine, Newton on June 4 at 7:00 p.m. Followed by discussion. Snacks provided. [Link to trailer](#)

It's a Party!  **Announcing Summer Story Days 2025.** Join WDC Resource Library staff for stories and come & go activities for ages 3-8 and their caregivers. New this year: Virtual participation with mailed craft kits available--sign up for virtual participation at forms.gle/8DnWnLs64VkZJoeB6. No sign up for in-person activities in North Newton. Join us June 7, July 12, and August 9. For more information contact Jennie at crlib@mennowdc.org. See flyer on bulletin board.

It's getting down to the wire, good folks. Camp Mennoscah needs a head cook for June 22-26 and nurses for June 26-28 (3rd & 4th graders), July 13-18 (6th-8th graders), and July 27-Aug. 1 (Senior High camp). Nurses can receive a stipend or parent discount for a camper of up to full camp fees. Contact Olivia at 620-297-3290 or olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org with questions or to claim a week. Have other skills? Camp has other needs, too--maintenance, custodial, musician/guitarist.

Camp Mennoscah Summer Camp registration is still open! We're taking "Another Way" and finding transformation in Jesus' way of living. Summer camps are open for those going into grades 3-12. Scholarships

are available and parents volunteering as kitchen helpers can receive a discount up to full camp fees for a camper. [Register here!](https://campmennoscah.campbrainregistration.com/) (<https://campmennoscah.campbrainregistration.com/>) Come build your house on the rock and play in the sand!

The MCC Lunch & Learn is back! Join us on Tuesday, June 17 from 12-1 p.m. at MCC in North Newton (121 E. 30th St.). Becky Teiwes, MCC Central State's Borderlands Program Coordinator will share about courage, compassion, and faithfulness as MCC continues to work with partners and churches at the U.S./Mexico border. Lunch will be provided for a suggested donation of \$10-\$15. **Please RSVP by June 9** at mcc.org/events/lunch-learn-mcc-partners-usmexico-border or by calling the office at 316-283-2720.

MCC school kits for South Texas, June 18, 6-8 p.m. Bring your kids, grandkids, and friends to MCC (121 E. 30th St, North Newton) for a fun evening of packing school kits for MCC partner The Sidewalk School. Hear about this partner from MCC Borderlands Program Coordinator, Becky Teiwes and for extra summer fun, enjoy hand-made ice cream from Salted Creamery at the end of the evening. Donations welcome to help cover the cost of school kit materials. For more info: mcc.org/events/school-kits-south-texas or call 316.283.2720.

Sewing Days of Summer, June 20 from 5-8 p.m. and June 21 from 8:30 a.m. -12 p.m. All sewers are welcome to come to MCC (121 E. 30th St, North Newton)! Bring your own projects or sew kit bags/comforters/dignity kits for MCC, everyone from beginners to experts are welcome! Bring your kids or grandkids and pass along the joy of sewing. Please RSVP online at mcc.org/events/sewing-days-summer or call Brocia at 316.836.5054.

The MC USA Delegate Assembly is Friday, July 11, at the Koury Convention Center in Greensboro, North Carolina. Delegate resources, including the agenda, bylaws, proposed bylaw changes, previous minutes and proposed resolutions, will be posted on MC USA's Delegate Assembly website, as they are available. See the web page here: mennoniteusa.org/2025-delegate-assembly-resources/ Register for Delegate Assembly here: mennoniteusa.org/registration/

Follow Jesus '25 attendees will have the opportunity to participate in MC USA's inaugural Menno Makers Market in the Follow Jesus '25 exhibit hall. This new area will feature handmade items produced by Anabaptist artisans that are available for purchase. Vendors are invited to apply here by June 1: mennoniteusa.org/form/menno-maker

Western District Conference invites you to visit their website at <https://mennowdc.org/> to read the latest news, stories and announcements.