

**You are invited** to an Open House honoring Jr. Thimm on his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, Saturday, August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2-4:30 p.m. at Classics, 1301 Oak St. Hosted by his family.

**2010 Women & Girls Retreat** to be held at Camp Mennoscah, September 10-12 at Murdock, KS. **Featured Retreat Speaker:** Florence Schloneger; **Theme:** Women Uniquely Created By God; **Seminars:** Bible Study-“Creation...and Re-Creation: Women in the image of God”, Unusual Container Gardening, Women in Missions, Making Zwieback, Exercise or Movement, Make Your Digital Camera Your Friend, and Oh the Places We'll Go.

**Community Food Pantry** is in need of food and/or cash donations. Please take your donations to the St. John's Lutheran Church location.

**Community Players of Beatrice** presents:

“Grace & Glorie”

Fridays, Sept. 10 & 17 at 7:30 p.m.

Saturdays, Sept. 11 & 18 at 7:30 p.m.

Sundays, Sept. 12 & 19 at 2:00 p.m.

Tickets are \$13 and student tickets are \$8

Group reservations for 10 or more are being taken now with

\$2 off each adult ticket price

When Grace, a willful 90 year-old cancer patient, checks herself out of the hospital and returns to her cabin in the woods, she isn't pleased at the arrival of Gloria, a young hospice volunteer who recently moved to the area from New York. Initially butting heads the two grow to gain new perspectives on all aspects of life in this poignant, and at times humorous, play. See the poster on the bulletin board.

**Also**, a Community Conversation will be led by Paul Jensen to discuss hospice and Chris Obbink to discuss good grief on Sat. Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. at the CP Theater. The event is Free and anyone can attend.

**Burwood Books Sack Sale:** August 26 – The last Thursday of each month



## First Mennonite Church Sunday, August 22, 2010

### ***This Morning***

Pastor: Gail Cross

Greeters: Gerald & Rogena Jantzen

Hosts: Louie & Ellen Esau

Audio: Larry Thimm

Video: Bryan Funk

Power Point: Austin Goossen

Music: Karen Wiebe

Offering: Bethel College

Next Sunday: FMC General Fund

Last Sunday!  
Attendance: 93  
Offering: \$ 6,283.45 for FMC

### **Upcoming Events**

Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. – WMS

Saturday, August 28 – 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 429 Factory Open House

Sunday, August 29 – Noon Lunch Bunch at Valentino's

### **Birthdays!**

Sunday, August 22: Blaise Cannon

Friday, August 27: Louie Esau

Saturday, August 28: Rachel Zimmerman

Sunday, August 29: Julie Grimmett, Pat Penner, Kelsey Crawford  
Glen Jantzen

**The 429 Factory** – Gage County's Newest Youth Center is excited to announce its Grand Opening celebration on Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>. Register your group for the Dodge Ball tournament that begins at 9:00 a.m. or just come and check out our space! We are in need of volunteers and youth who want to have FUN for the opening, as well as open hours throughout the year. The 429 Factory is located at 923 W Court in Beatrice. You can learn more at [www.429factory.org](http://www.429factory.org) or by calling Eric at the center: 806-4225

### **Prayer & Praise!**

**Our condolences** to Richard G. Penner. His wife, Mary, passed away on Saturday, August 14. Richard's address is: 2011 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St, York, Ne 68467

**Pray with the families** of Cookie Wiebe and Deb Diller as these women deal with the issues of their cancer.

**Mennonite Central Committee** grieves the loss of another colleague. On August 7 Ruth Yellowhawk, 50, died following a brief and intense struggle with cancer in Rapid City, S.D. Ruth facilitated discernment processes that have helped shape MCC's work with Native people for many years. Ruth lived her life in a way that always served others, both spiritually and physically. Please pray for Ruth's husband and teenage son, her community and colleagues.

**Congratulations** to Candice & Doyle Nehoitewa on the birth of their 2<sup>nd</sup> child, Elias Isaiah, born August 15, 2010, weighing 8 lbs. & 1 oz. The proud grandparents are Garald & Susan Hayah. Candice & Doyle's address: 1053 Sandretto Dr. Apt. 219, Prescott, AZ 86305

**September 12<sup>th</sup>** will be a special celebration of the 133 year anniversary of the first worship service held by Mennonites in Beatrice! We are planning to host a Heritage Sunday worship service, with a fellowship meal following the service. Mark Jantzen will be giving the sermon, and Marj Schoemaker will be joining us from the Mennonite Heritage Museum to give a short program after the meal.

**\*\*Please help us** spread the word about the celebration. We hope you will pass the information about this special Sunday on to family and friends that attended First Mennonite in the past but who no longer have a direct connection to our church. We also request that you contact the church office or sign up for the noon meal on the **sign up sheet in the Narthex** under the bulletin board so we can make final meal preparations.

Thanks for your help.

Committee members: Vern Jantzen, Elaine Penner, Jerry Reimer

**The new Administrative Assistant** will be Vicki Frerking, starting in September. Feel free to call or e-mail Zella or Vicki at home or at the church for church announcements.

**MCC School Kits!** The MCC warehouses are extremely low on school kits and MCC has already received requests for over 40,000 school kits from around the world. This would make a good project for a family, class, or Shepherd Group. Check the bulletin board for a complete list for making a school kit & bag.

### **Address Change:**

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Overland Park, KS 66212

**The Plan for Bible Study** this fall is to try a new format on a trial basis. Instead of having it on Wednesday evenings, it will be on the first and third Sunday evenings of the month through September, October and November. The fall series will be led by Gail Cross and held here at FMC. It will also include a light supper beforehand which will be provided by the Shepherd groups so no one has to bring food every time.

**Women's Bible Study:** Anyone interested in joining the group, please call Laura Franz at 239-4654 as soon as possible so material can be ordered. The group meets on the first Thursday of the month at Homestead Village and is led by Sylvia Cross.

**Play golf for Bethel.** Alumni and friends of Bethel College are invited to the Fall Thresher Golf Classic, Saturday, Sept. 18, Newton, KS. Check the bulletin board for details, contact the Bethel alumni office at (316) 284-5251 or [alumni@bethelks.edu](mailto:alumni@bethelks.edu) or [www.bethelks.edu/alumni/events/golf.php](http://www.bethelks.edu/alumni/events/golf.php) **Early entry discount deadline is September 6.**