



Hope Mennonite Church
9:30 A.M. Worship
March 4, 2018
Third Sunday in Lent

Gathering to Worship

*As we gather for worship, please silence all electronic devices.
Hearing assistance devices are available from the ushers.*

Prelude

Welcome and Invocation

Call to Worship

Come, people of God! Worship the God of relentless promise.
Praise the God of everlasting covenant.

Life with a holy God requires structure. The covenant God gives us the gift of relationship and rules.

God expresses his love for us with commandments.

God shows us his love by saying, "Thou shalt!" and "Thou shalt not!"

Let us in turn show our love for God by our glad obedience.

Come, people of God! Let us worship the God of relentless promise.

Let us praise the God of everlasting

*Songs of Gathering

"We will follow"

Sing the Story 40

"We are often tossed and driv'n"

Sing the Story 72

Call to Confession

O God, we call you ruler of all. And yet sometimes we avoid applying your rules to our actions and interests. At other times we hold so tightly to rules that we injure or break relationships.

Silent Confession

O God, restore us. Renew our trust in your design for life and give us the courage to pursue it.

Hearing God's Word

Participatory Reading based on Mark 4:35-41

Insert

*"Teach me, O Lord"

Hymnal 487

Message "The Questioning & Questioned Community" Pastor Dave

Responding to God's Word

*"Jesus, help us live in peace"

Sing the Journey 52

Maeyken Wiens' Son Story

Lucas Hofer-Holdeman

Adapted from a story in On Fire for Christ: Stories of Anabaptist Martyrs by Dave and Neta Jackson

"Lead me on"

Brian A. Schmidt

Choir

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

"My Song in the Night" arr. Paul Christiansen

Choir

Greeting Our Guests (*Please pass the welcome pads*)

Seeing & Seeking God

Work of the Church

Sharing our Praises & Prayers

Prayer of Intention

Treva Greaser

Prayers of God's People

"Calm me, Lord"

Sing the Story 45

Sending

*"Teach me thy truth"

Hymnal 548

*Benediction

We are God's people.

Jesus calls us his friends.

We are the sheep of God's fold.

We go in God's love.

Jesus laid down his life.

We have freely received.

We extend God's love.

Jesus said, "Follow me!"

We're the ripple effect.

We live God's promise.

Jesus said, "I am with you."

Great is God's faithfulness.

* *Please stand as you are able.*

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Church Office Hours...

Dave Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Cynthia Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Kim Friday 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Staff meeting Monday- 9:30-11 a.m.

Hope on Facebook – Follow the link on our website –
hopemennonite.org and “like” Hope Mennonite Church to see
pictures and receive updates on church life.

First Fruits Giving:

Giving the first and best of what we are given
as a worship response to God.

February 25

Attendance – 136

Offering - \$2,466

Year-to-date - \$36,451

Spending plan year-to-date -\$35,231

Our Purpose:

As an Anabaptist community of faith empowered by the Holy Spirit, Hope Mennonite Church is calling and making disciples who bring Christ's love and peace to our world.

Welcome to Hope Mennonite Church. We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today.

During Lent, dramatists will be depicting the life stories of martyrs found in the "Martyrs Mirror;" an historical story collection of persecution and martyrdom of Anabaptists. They leave the written accounts of their witness on the worship center as an enduring symbol of their testimonies of faithfulness, discipleship, and their strong covenants with God.

Worship Participants

Worship Leader: Amy Bellar

Pianist: Laurie Regehr

Song leader: Galen Fast

Reader's Theatre: Joan Stambaugh, Brenda Glanzer Lilliston, Joanna Pinkerton

Choir director: Braden Unruh

Upcoming Worship Events

March 11 Fourth Sunday of Lent

March 18 Fifth Sunday of Lent

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (March 4-10)

Tuesday -9:00 a.m. Women's Bible study

Wednesday -6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast

@Riverside Café West, 9129 W Central

-7:00 p.m. Hope Women

Thursday -7:00 p.m. Vision Council



Disciples Class (sanctuary) – Children of the Light: The Book of First Thessalonians. First Thessalonians is Paul's first letter and the earliest available writing from a Christian. We welcome you to bring a Bible and join us.

The class is led by Pastor Dave.

Covenant Class (library): We will be exploring the last week of Jesus life through the lyrics and music of Jesus Christ Superstar. Using the original film from the 1970s and a more modern rendition, let's talk about what Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber got right and wrong and how the film directors choices help shape the message they are sending. The class is led by Kendal Warkentine.

**Coffee next week: Cecil & Brenda Lilliston



NURSERY (birth through age 4)

Today: Lori Regier, Sabrina Bellar

Next Sunday: Laurie Regehr, Kendra Gooden

March 18: Justin & Tiffany Regehr

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (March 11-17)

Tuesday -9:00 a.m. Women's Bible study

-6:30 p.m. Music Committee

-7:00 p.m. Worship Commission

Wednesday -6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast

@Oxford Grand, 3051 N. Parkdale

-6:00 p.m. Hope Friends meal

-6:30 p.m. Middle & High School youth groups

-6:45 p.m. Choir

Saturday -Reserved event all day

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Guests and visitors last Sunday: Clyde & Felice Goering; Stan & Marianne Miller; Virg & Joyce Funk; Kim, Abby, Aubrey Sommer; Marynard & Barb Yoder; Myrna Rosier; 31 Bel Canto group

Hope Friends meal help: We need people to help with serving (5:45-6:30) and clean-up (6:45-7:30) for Hope Friends this spring. There are only 4 Hope Friends evenings left. Please sign up.

Hope Women, high school age and up—join us for a service project on Wednesday, **March 7th** at 7:00 p.m. We will be making items (which will not require any special skills on your part) to be sold in the children's area at the MCC Relief Sale. We'll also enjoy a simple snack while we work and visit together. Please sign up on the bulletin board by today. We hope to see you there!

Maundy Thursday – You are invited to the service on Thursday, **March 29** at 6:30 p.m. The service is for all ages – children are welcome. A simple meal in the fellowship hall will be followed by worship and communion in the sanctuary. Sign up on the bulletin board by March 25 indicating how many in your household are attending. Please bring sandwiches to share and the remainder of the meal will be provided by the Worship Commission.

Camp Mennoscah's annual Youth Volunteer Weekend for grades 7-12 is **March 16-17!** This over-the-top, laid-back, faith-filled and service-doused retreat should not be missed! We will stay in the Retreat Center due to renovations at the Main Camp kitchen. There will be music, worship, counselors, and projects for all. Register online at campmennoscah.org or contact us at [620-297-3290](tel:620-297-3290) for assistance. We'll see you there!

The Western District Conference/South Central Conference Women's Spring Supper will be at 6 pm on Thursday, **March 15**, at Whitestone Mennonite Church, 629 Crescent Drive in Hesston, KS. Meal (Ham, potatoes & more) for \$10 by Whitestone Mennonite Youth with payment to them. Program at 7 pm with Joanna Gerber Pinkerton, daughter of Mennonite missionaries in the Belgian Congo, on *Faith in Every Day Life*. Music, *Sadie and the Larks*, from Hesston College. Offering for AIMM, Women's Literacy training in the Congo. Checks made to WDWM and memo line AIMM. Reservations due by **March 8** to Marlene Faul, [316-283-3342](tel:316-283-3342) or westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com. Check out the poster on the bulletin board. If you are interested in carpooling, please contact the church office.

Camp Mennoscah brochures are now available on the literature. They contain information not only on children and youth summer camps but other activities and events during 2018. The Discipleship Commission will again be providing \$75 in scholarship money to the children and youth from Hope who want to attend. There will be a sign-up sheet for scholarship money following spring break.

Prayers for the wider church:

...Pray for Western District Conference congregations as they seek to follow Jesus' way of peace in response to the many forms of violence in our communities, nation and world.

...Last month, Taiwan experienced a powerful earthquake that killed at least nine people. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for the people of Taiwan as they grieve the loss of loved ones and rebuild their lives.

...There are three Mennonite Mission Network worker teams in Senegal & West & Central Africa. Due to their sensitive ministry, we cannot share their information; however, keep these 5 people in our prayers.

Choir texts

“Lead me on”

Lord, lead me on and guide my path along the way.
Oh, lead me on to brighter days
where peace is born from a hope that lies within.
Guide me safely through the night, that I may see the sun
tomorrow when a new day has begun.
Oh, lead me on in times of pain, lead me on.
And may my heart be always warmed with thoughts of you.

“My Song in the Night”

O Jesus my Savior, my song in the night,
Come to us with Thy tender love, my souls' delight.
Unto Thee, O Lord in affliction I call,
my comfort by day and my song in the night.
O why should I wander, an alien from Thee,
or cry in the desert Thy face to see,
my comfort and joy, my souls' delight,
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Participatory scripture reading

On that day, when evening had come, Jesus said to his disciples,
Let us go across to the other side of the seas.
And leaving the crowd behind, they took him along, as he was
already in the boat.
Other boats were with them.
A great windstorm arose!

Whoosh, Whoosh, Whoosh

And the wave pounded into the boat!
We're swamped!

We're sampled!

We'll drown! We'll drown!

Meanwhile, Jesus was in the stern, asleep on the cushion.
They woke him up and said to him, "Teacher!"
Teacher!

Do you not care that we are perishing?

Jesus woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea,
"Silence, Be Still!"
Then the wind ceased and there was a great calm.
He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?"
And they were filled with great fear.
They said to one another, "Who is this?"

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Even the wind and the sea obey him.
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