



Hope Mennonite Church  
9:30 A.M. Worship  
November 11, 2018  
**An Alternative Remembrance  
of the end of World War I**

Gathering to Worship

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

Prelude

Welcome & Prayer

Introduction to "The Alcatraz Four" & alternative remembering

\*Songs of gathering

"Christ is our cornerstone"

Hymnal 43

"Come, thou Almighty King"

Hymnal 41

Hearing God's Word

Scripture reading

based on 1 Peter 4:1-6, 2:21-25

Since therefore Christ suffered in the flesh, let us arm ourselves also with the same intention, so as to live for the rest of our earthly lives no longer by human desires but by the will of God.

**Other people are surprised that we no longer join them in the same activities. Yet everyone will be called to give an account before the One who stands ready to judge the living and the dead.**

For to this we have been called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, so that we should follow in his steps.

**He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth. When he was abused, he did not return abuse. When he suffered, he did not threaten, but he entrusted himself to the One who judges justly.**

He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness. By his wounds we have been healed.

**For all of us were going astray like sheep, but now we have returned to the shepherd and guardian of our souls.**

“Christ is the world’s true light”

Hymnal 334

“The Alcatraz Four: Standing on Faith”

“Guide me, O thou great Jehovah”

Hymnal 582

Musical interlude

Karen Zehr

**Responding to God**

“If the war goes on”

Sing the Journey 66

Time of Reflection & Confession

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offering (First Fruits)

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

Seeing & Seeking God

Work of the Church

Sharing our Praises & Prayers

Prayers of God’s People

**Sending**

\* “The Lord bless you and keep you”

Sing the Journey 76

\*Benediction

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\* *Please stand as you are able*

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

**Worship Participants**

Worship Leader: Cecil Lilliston

Pianist: Amy Bellar

Song leader: Galen Fast

Scripture reader: Emily Regehr

Dramatic reading: Greg Shelly, Sam Harder, Katie Chlumsky, Kendal Warkentine

**Upcoming Worship Events**

November 18

Preaching text: Hebrews 11:39-12:3

The great cloud of witnesses

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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.

November 4

Attendance 101

Offering \$7,222

Year-to-date \$164,307

Spending plan year-to-date \$189,369

*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.*

"The Alcatraz Four: Standing on Faith" is based on letters by Joseph, Michael and David Hofer and Jacob Wipf found in Pacifists in Chains: The Persecution of Hutterites during the Great War by Duane C. S. Stoltzfus. Adapted and scripted by Brenda Glanzer Lilliston.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (November 11-17)

Today -Noon -Craft Bazaar lunch  
Tuesday -9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study  
-7-9 p.m. Sanctuary reserved  
Wednesday -6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast  
@Oxford Grand, 3051 N. Parkdale  
-6:00 p.m. Hope Friends meal (tortellini bake)  
-6:30 p.m. Children, Middle and High School Youth  
-7:00 p.m. Choir  
-7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study – library "Reading the Bible with Jesus"  
Thursday -6:30 p.m. Deacons

NURSERY (birth through age 4)



Today: Delaine Stolzle, Lori Regier  
Next Sunday: Shelby & Tyler Kaufman  
November 25: Donna Heide, Lily Harder



\*\*Sanctuary: The "Pathways" study, led by Pastor Dave, invites congregations and groups across MC USA to engage in studying Scripture, singing, praying, storytelling, exploring Anabaptist history and values, and discussing how they see God working in their lives. It is a way for groups to participate in the Journey Forward churchwide renewal process.

\*Young adult: Room 2 downstairs

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (November 18-24)

Tuesday -6:30 p.m. Music Committee  
Wednesday -6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast  
@Riverside Café West, 9129 W Central  
Thurs/Friday -Office closed  
Saturday -10 a.m. – 3 p.m. Reserved event

\*\*Coffee next week: Leon & Treva Greaser

Guests and visitors November 4: Anna Voth; Kellan Behnke; Adam Kroeker; Michael Unruh; Neil

The November issue of “The Mennonite” focuses on health care as a biblical and cultural concern from various perspective. Pick up your copy from the literature table today.

The winter issue of the devotional “Rejoice” is now available on the literature table. Pick up your copy today.

Service of Remembrance Worship on Sunday, **November 18**, will include remembering loved once who have died and whom we still hold dear in our hearts. We will have the opportunity to symbolize our remembrances by lighting a candle for these family members and friends.

Advent devotionals: The season of Advent begins on December 2 and the Worship Commission would again like to offer devotional guides for both adults and families. Please sign up on the bulletin board for your devotional(s) no later than **November 18**.

You are invited to purchase a poinsettia to honor an event or person, or in memory of someone during the Advent & Christmas season. The poinsettias will be displayed in the sanctuary beginning December 9 and may be taken home following the Christmas Eve service on December 24. The cost per poinsettia is \$10. Forms are on the literature table and can be returned with payment to the church office by **December 2**.

Mark December 5 at 7:00 on your holiday calendar to bring an ornament of peace or a nativity for the Hope Christmas tree AND then stay until 8:00 and we will carol all the favorite songs of the season on the street behind the church. Hot chocolate and homemade cookies provided!

As we draw to the end of the year, please take note of our offering information on the back of the bulletin, especially as you consider your end of year giving.

Episcopal Migration Ministries (EMM) update: There were 22 new arrivals last month and several are younger persons in need of computers. We are looking for donated/refurbished laptops in good condition. It would greatly benefit each of our clients as they work toward self-sufficiency. Many have also requested televisions- as a way to learn English- and we would be happy to take these off of people's hands if they are looking to upgrade around the holidays (not box TVs, but newer models as they are easier to manage). If you have any of these items you are willing to donate, please contact the church office.

Prayer requests:

...Pray for the Western District Conference Executive Board meeting next Saturday, as they lead WDC in its mission of empowering congregations to Witness and invite others to faith in Jesus Christ, Dwell in just and loving relationships, and Connect to God's mission in the world.

...Join Mennonite Mission Network in praising God for the joy Alisha and Joshua Garber find as they participate in the ministries of the Barcelona Mennonite Church and share the good news of Jesus with the wider community in Spain. Pray that they may find a balance between serving others and nurturing family relationships.

...Mary Raber is seeking temporary resident status in Ukraine. Pray for patience with the bureaucratic process and that God will open the way for a document that gives her greater freedom for ministry. Mary is our Mission Partner.

## **Remembrance: The “Great War” 1914-1918**

*“The great seminal catastrophe-out of which a century of catastrophes arose.” - George F Kennan*

A couple of years back, I picked up a novel set in France at the height of World War I. It was the first of a series, which led to the others, which led to other novels set in World War I, which led to histories and first-hand accounts, which led to time at the National World War I Museum in Kansas City. The more I learned, the obscener that war became. Then, there was a conversation about the difference between Remembrance Day and our Veteran’s Day, which seemed much more about military might than reflection on the loss and futility of war. I needed a way to process. I felt sorrow, anger, incredulity, at the human cost and senselessness of the war. I also felt fury at the realization that nearly every conflict around the world since WWO has its roots, or its seed, in that wary. This quilt has become my best attempt at a summarizing anti-war statement.

Choosing this format has limitations. Choices had to be made about what to include and what to leave out. It is, at best, a representation, wholly inadequate in capturing the immensity of the horror and devastation of the First World War. The quilt top focuses on the human costs. The back of the quilt will hold the notes and bibliography, something of the economic toll of the war; a painting by Otto Dix, a veteran of the conflict; and the poem, “In Flanders Fields”, by John McCrae. McCrae’s poem, citing the fields of poppies common across the Western Front, helped give rise to the poppy as the symbol Remembrance of the “Great War.”

While still a work in progress, the map reflects the world as it appeared on maps in 1914, the year the war began, its “look” harkening back to the elaborate maps of the day. Major battles (chosen by their recognition as particularly deadly battles), sea battles, and areas bombed from a new weapon, air power, are represented. The detail maps of the Western and Eastern fronts capture the position of the front each year of the war. The quilt’s borders represent the colors of the uniforms that were worn on all side of the conflict, with one strip representing the mud that covered uniforms throughout the war. Poppies have become the war’s enduring symbol of remembrance. The large poppies in the corner are from a pattern created by Ruby Short McKim in the 1920s. It was special to incorporate a pattern created by a relative of mine – no matter how distant.

Leslie James, Remembrance Day 2018



## ***In Flanders Fields***

Jon McCrae, 1872-1918

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row by row,  
That mark our place, and in the sky,  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly,  
Scares heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead; short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe!  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high!  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.