



Hope Mennonite Church
9:30 A.M. Worship
January 20, 2019

Gathering to Worship

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

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship “Stirred Hearts & Skillful Hands:
When the LORD Inspires Construction

Moses said to the congregation of Israel, “This is what the LORD commands: Take from among you an offering to the LORD. Let everyone who is of a generous heart bring materials to construct the tabernacle. And let all who are skillful among you come and build what the LORD has commanded.”

So, everyone whose heart was stirred and everyone whose spirit was willing, brought the LORD’s offering to be used for the construction of the tabernacle.

They came, both men and women, all who were of a willing heart. They brought all the needed materials. All the Israelite men and women whose hearts were stirred brought the materials as a freewill-offering to the LORD.

Then Moses called workers, everyone to whom the LORD had given skills, everyone whose heart was stirred, to come to do the work. They took the freewill-offerings and made the sanctuary and everything it contains.

When Moses saw that they had done all the work just as the LORD commanded, he blessed them.

A reading from Exodus 35, 36, 39

Prayer

*Songs of gathering

“Here in this place”

Hymnal 6

“We are people of God’s peace”

Hymnal 407

Hearing God's Word

Scripture reading

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

"Will you let me be your servant"

Hymnal 307

Message

"Choose Life"

Dave Stevens

Responding to God

* "Lord, you give the great commission"

Sing the Journey 63

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offering

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

Seeing & Seeking God

Work of the Church

Sharing our Praises & Prayers

Prayer of God's People

Hope Home Video

Hope Home dedication

Sending

* "Praise God from whom"

*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. We are celebrating the dedication of our Hope Home this morning.



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Stay in Touch with Hope

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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.

January 13

Attendance 115

Offering \$3,895

Year-to-date \$6,712

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.

Worship Participants

Worship Leader: Renetta Gooden
Pianist: Vicki Howard
Song leader: Mark Bartel
Scripture reader: Lee Schmucker

Upcoming Worship Events

January 27	Philippians 2:1-11; Membership Sunday
February 3	Youth Sunday
February 10	Joshua 3-4; Stones of Remembrance

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (January 20-26)

Wednesday -6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast
@Riverside Café West, 9129 W Central
-6:00 p.m. Hope Friends meal
-6:30 p.m. Children, Middle and High School Youth
-7:00 p.m. Choir



NURSERY (birth through age 4)

Today: Donovan Regehr, Luke Bellar
Next Sunday: Eldon & Annette Chlumsky
February 3: Shelby & Tyler Kaufman



All adults (sanctuary) – Next Sunday, January 27, Margaret Wiebe will be sharing about her Learning Tour to Guatemala and Honduras.

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (January 27-February 2)

Sunday -11:00 a.m. Mentor meeting in the library
-Noon – fellowship meal
-1:00 p.m. Congregational meeting
Monday -7:30 p.m. La Leche League
Wednesday -6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast
@Riverside Café West, 9129 W Central
Saturday -Sandwich Saturday
-1-5 p.m. Reserved rooms 8 & 9

Coffee prep next week: Heidi Johnson, Heidi Johnson-Laws

Guest and visitors last Sunday – Eighteen family members and friends for Travis Cox's baptism

Christmas ornaments: If you loaned an ornament for our Christmas tree, and it isn't in your mailbox, claim yours from the 6 unmarked ones in the back work room.

Our annual congregational meeting will be held next Sunday, **January 27** following a noon fellowship meal. Please bring food to share. The annual meeting books are available in your mailboxes. These include the agenda, reports from 2018, the spending plan for 2019 and ballot.

Women's Bible Study will begin on Tuesday, **February 5** at 9:30 am. The study is entitled "Real Women Real Faith" which explores six women of the Bible who encountered God and were forever changed. Each session includes a short video teaching. Please sign up on the bulletin board if you will be attending and would like the participants guide, "Real Women Real Faith."

A New View is a publication of Prairie View. The fall 2018/winter 2019 issue is "Recovery from Trauma." Some of the articles address adverse childhood experiences, understanding suicide, gaming disorder and much more. There 4 copies on the literature table if you are interested.

Hope is a Wichita distribution site for KAKE TV's Coats for a Cause; collecting new or gently used coats through the month of January. You are invited to participate as well.

Souper Bowl Sunday – You are invited to an all-you-can-eat soup to benefit Inter-Faith Ministries, featuring soups from your favorite chefs and restaurants, served in beautiful hand-made bowls, plus fresh bread, home-made desserts, and live music. Friday, **February 1**, 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 525 N. Broadway, Wichita. Tickets: \$15 through January 26; \$20 at the door. Purchase tickets in advance by calling 316-264-9303. "Let's tackle poverty in Wichita one Bowl at a time."

NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) is offering their Family-to-Family education program with classes beginning February 11. This is free for family members, partners, and significant others of individuals living with mental illness. There is an information flyer on the bulletin board.

Hesston College presents the annual AVDS (Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series) on **February 1-3**. The theme this year is "Growing more like Jesus from the outside in: transforming heart and mind." The key note speakers are Mark and Lisa Scandrette. Brochures/registration forms are available on the bulletin board.

Newton Community for Racial Justice's Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service 2019. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. believed in a nation of freedom and justice for all, and encouraged all citizens to live up to the purpose and potential of America by applying the principles of nonviolence. MLK Day of Service is a way to honor his life and teachings by engaging in community action that continues to solve social problems. Newton Community for Racial Justice invites you to serve however you can in your community! Sign up here for service projects in Newton: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0a4eabae23a1fe3-martin>

Is there anything better than a Vacation Bible School package that helps children discover signs of God in the Bible and in their lives? Well, yes! What's even better is making those discoveries available to all age groups in the church! Come to a launch event for Detectives of Divinity VBS PLUS on **February 23**, 9-10:30 a.m. at Bethel College Mennonite Church. VBS directors, pastors, teachers, leaders, and parents—all are invited to come, AND everyone who RSVPs by February 15 will receive a free devotional book, *Now It Springs Up*. Come see materials for preschoolers, children, youth and adults, featuring Bible stories and lots of games, crafts, activities, skits and ideas for you to make it happen in your congregation. RSVP to springsforthfaith@gmail.com or talk to Cynthia Loganbill.

Prayer requests:

...Give thanks for the diversity of cultural contexts and languages in which Western District Conference congregations worship each week.

...SOOP participants who like to work with fabric are needed to serve in Reedley, California, at the Nearly New Thrift Store and Mennonite Quilt Center. Mennonite Mission Network requests prayer for volunteers willing to help at Fresno's MCC relief sale held the first weekend in April. SOOP is a volunteer program designed for retirees, families and adults older than 25.

...Tomorrow, we remember Martin Luther King, Jr., who followed Jesus' way of nonviolent civil disobedience in bringing hope to people who have been marginalized by society. Pray for Mission Network's ministries that work to undo racism in the United States and around the world.

HOPE HOME DEDICATION

The Litany of Blessing

People:

The psalmist sang, "Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting, you are God."

Pastor Dave:

God of Creation, nothing can contain you yet you make your home among us. We see your hand at work through the passage of time and we are grateful. We offer Hope Home to your holy, reconciling mission in the world. May its presence declare your praise.

People:

The psalmist tells us, "It is the Lord who watches over you; The Lord is your shade at your right hand, so that the sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve you from all evil. The Lord shall keep you safe. The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore."

Pastor Dave:

Ever present God, keep watch over the families who live here, their going out and their coming home. May they dwell here secure in your peace and harmony. We pray that Hope Home is a refuge, where cherished memories are made and families are strengthened for the journey.

People:

Jesus said, "Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing."

Pastor Dave:

Gracious God, in you alone we find our true home. We pray that You make Hope Home your abiding place. May all who live here feel the warmth of your presence and beauty of your love. Nurture and tend to these families, sharing their joys and comforting their sorrows. May they be blessed with new life. Amen.

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE

Hope Home has been a labor of love for our congregation. Nearly everyone has helped in big ways and small, from contributing funds, to offering prayers, to making repairs, painting, laying floors, cleaning or doing the hundreds of other jobs needed to make Hope Home a reality. We are grateful to all who helped.

We want to offer a special thanks and recognition to the following:

Design Committee: Amy Bellar, Dawn Epp & Berni Ronnebaum

Renovation Committee: Jim Blakely, Scott Luty, Dave Miller, Marvin Schmucker

Tony Pettengill, volunteer electrician

HOPE HOME MILESTONES

January 28, 2018

The congregation voted to approve a proposal from Witness and Outreach to renovate the rental property for graduates of Family Promise of Greater Wichita. We agreed to start the work once the current tenant's lease ended in October 2017, giving us plenty of time to create a plan.

January 30, 2018

The management company informed the church that the tenant no longer lived in the rental home.

February 2, 2018

Members of Vision Council, Stewardship Commission and Witness and Outreach Commission met to discuss our options. A decision was reached to end Hope's relationship with the management company and begin renovations.

February 17, 2018

Members of the Family Promise Almost Home housing team toured the house. The name Hope Home was proposed by Carrie Corliss, Family Promise of Greater Wichita founder and board president.

February 28, 2018

The rental house officially became Hope Home.

March 3, 2018

The first official day of renovation when Scott and Brenton Luty tore out the carpet.

The Design Committee (Amy Bellar, Dawn Epp and Berni Ronnebaum) and Renovation Committee (Jim Blakely, Scott Luty, Dave Miller, Marvin Schmucker) were formed in March. Both committees quickly get to work. The Design Committee chose paint, flooring, countertops and appliances. The Renovation Committee continued demo, drafted a renovation budget and created the first punch list.

April 8, 2018

Young adults host a breakfast to raise funds for Hope Home. Between donations through the Extreme Makeover - Hope Edition campaign and money raised at the breakfast, enough funds were raised to cover the renovation budget.

Later in April, the young adults started the demo on the main bathroom.

May 2018

Tony Pettengill, a licensed electrician, began rewiring Hope Home. Tony responded to a Family Promise request for volunteer electrical work for Hope Home. It took Tony several months to rewire the home.

July 2018

Young adults had a workday to remove the wallpaper in the master bath and repair drywall in the kitchen. A playset was donated, delivered and installed.

August 2018

Painting got underway.

October 13, 2018

Work day to get Hope Home ready for flooring. The back door into the garage and the front door were replaced.

November 2018

New flooring and baseboards were installed throughout the main floor. New countertops were installed in the kitchen and main bathroom.

December 2018

New windows were installed. The original windows were in bad shape and some had broken panes, raising concerns about safety and security. The new windows also increased the home's energy efficiency, which the Renovation Committee hoped would help ease budget pressures for families living in Hope Home.

January 3, 2019

New insulation was blown into the attic. During the renovation, it was discovered that the attic had very little insulation.

January 12, 2019

Cleaning day to prepare Hope Home for the dedication. A new refrigerator and new-to-us stove were installed.

January 20, 2019

Hope Home dedication and blessing held during the worship service.

WATER COLOR PRINT

A print will be presented to each family who lives at our Hope Home. Thanks goes to Joanna Pinkerton for this wonderful reminder of our commitment to Family Promise.

