

Hope Mennonite Church 9:30 am Worship January 10, 2021 Following Jesus Together Across Barriers

Gathering to Worship

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

Adapted from Sarah Are, A Sanctified Art

Here in this place, new light is streaming.

So, don't hold back. Bring all of yourself.

For God loves us just the way we are and brings out the best in us.

Now is the darkness vanished away.

So, don't hold back. Bring all of yourself.

For God welcomes all of us, with our scars and fears, our depression and doubt, our hope and faith, our joy and laughter.

Here in this place, new light is streaming—light for warmth and new growth. So, bring all of yourself.

For God does not hold back, longs to be with us, and comes all-in to meet us.

Opening Prayer

*Songs of gathering

"Holy, holy, holy!"
"Holy Spirit, come with power"

Hymnal 120 Hymnal 26

Hearing God's Word

Scripture reading

2 Corinthians 5:17-21

"Ancient Words"

Message

Dave Stevens

"Reconciliation and the Lesson of the Sweet Potato"

Responding to God's Word

"I will sing"

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings Offertory Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greeting our Guests

What Hope Mennonite Church Means to Me

Travis Cox

Seeing and Seeking God Work of the Church Sharing our Praises and Concerns

Prayers of God's People

Sending

"Go, my children"

Hymnal 433

*Benediction

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Welcome to worship at Hope Mennonite Church whether in person or on Zoom. Today we begin a 4-week series on Reconciliation. We will also be hearing testimonies from various people responding to "What does Hope Mennonite Church mean to me." The service is available on Zoom recordings Monday-Thursday.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Mike Voth

Pianist: Amy Bellar

Scripture reader: Michael Unruh



Stay in Touch with Hope

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Church Office Hours

Dave Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 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 3

Attendance 84

(Hope 26; Zoom live 57; Zoom recorded 1)

Offering \$1,897

Year-to-date \$1,897

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.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (January 10-16)

Sunday -Adult and Youth Sunday School

Tuesday -7:00 pm Vision Council



All adults are invited to the series "Outrageous Justice" led by Marcus Loganbill. This curriculum was developed by Prison Fellowship, the nation's largest Christian nonprofit serving prisoners, former prisoners and their family. They are a leading voice for criminal justice

reform. The class will meet in the sanctuary and be available to Zoom participants 15 minutes following worship.

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (January 17-23)

Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Bible Study Wednesday -7:00 pm Witness & Outreach Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible Study

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The 2021 "Sharing our Hope" banner was designed and made by Kim Voth. Thank you, Kim.

Women's Bible study opportunities

The Tuesday morning Women's Bible Study will begin again on **January 19, at 10:00 on Zoom. We will be studying, <u>Signs of Life: Resurrecting Hope Out Of Ordinary Losses</u> by Stephanie Lobdell. *If you plan on attending please* notify the church office ASAP. Please include if you would like the book ordered for you. The cost is \$12.00 and make the check out to HOPE MENNONITE. You will be notified when the book arrives and you can pick it up at the church office.

***The Thursday evening Women's Bible Study will begin on **January 21**, at 7 pm. We will be studying Drew Hart's second book, Who will be a Witness: Igniting Activism for God's Justice, Love, and Deliverance! A prerequisite for this class is to have read Drew Hart's first book, The Trouble I've Seen.

Our annual congregational meeting will be held on January 31 following worship. You can attend in person or via Zoom.

Prayers for the wider church

...Pray that Western District Conference will receive generous contributions to help meet goals for the fiscal year ending in January, and give thanks for the many ways congregations and donors support the ministry of the conference.

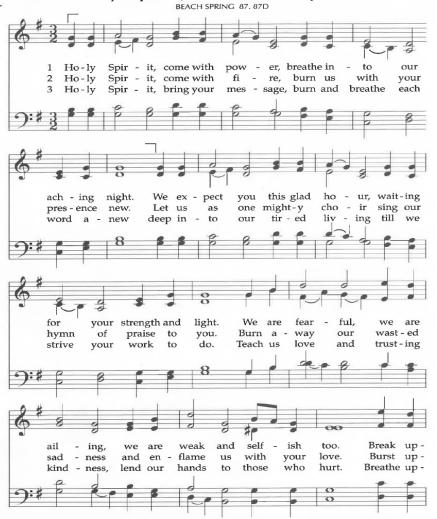
...Pray for college students who return to campus following the winter break and for our Mennonite educational institutions during the challenges of Covid.

...Mary Raber has not been able to return to Odessa Theological Seminary in Ukraine because of COVID-19 restrictions. However, she can do much of her translation and editing work from the United States. Pray for her as she writes grants to fund small projects, like educational films for children and a camp for people who are visually impaired.



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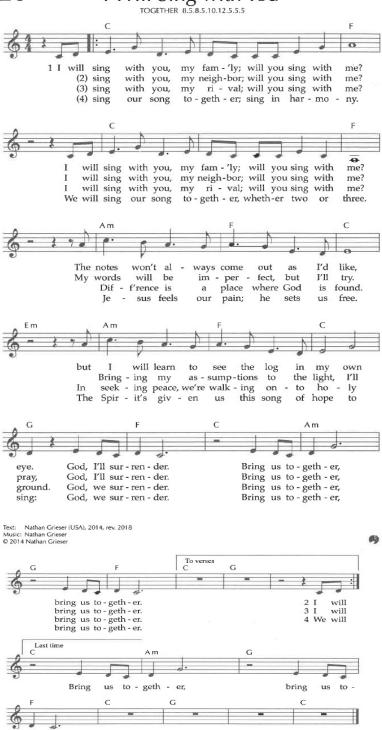


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Ancient Words

Words and Music by Lynn DeShazo

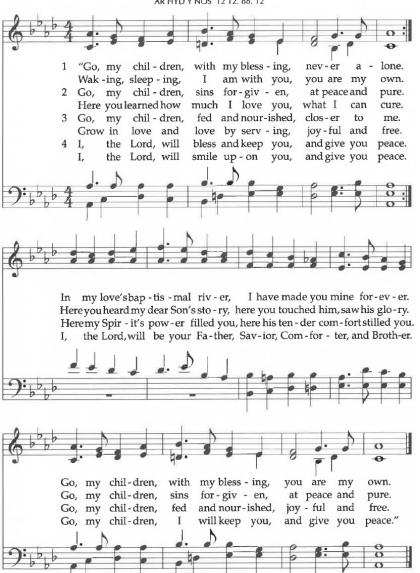


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