



Hope Mennonite Church
January 16, 2022
9:30 am Worship
Sermon on the Mount Series:
Jesus Program for Living #7

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

Adapted from Voices Together 862

Friends, let us gather to worship the living Christ who opens doors and dismantles barriers.

We worship the living Christ who opens our hearts to live fully as God's children.

Let us worship the One who transforms people from strangers and enemies into neighbors and friends.

We receive his forgiveness, grace, and reconciliation as a gift to share with others.

Let us worship as Christ's body, with our diversity serving his unity.

We worship the living Christ who walked among us as teacher and friend, and who reigns among us as Savior and Lord.

Opening Prayer

* Songs of Gathering

"Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing"

Voices Together 7

"Holy Spirit, Come with Power"

Voices Together 57

Hearing God's Word

Scripture

Matthew 7:1-5

"How Can I Say"

Voices Together 388

Message

"Don't Judge"

Dave Stevens

Response

Katie Chlumsky

Responding to God's Word

*"Together"

Voices Together 389

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greeting our Guests (Please pass the attendance pads)

Seeing and Seeking God

Work of the Church

Sharing our Praises and Concerns

Sending

*"Sing a New World into Being"

Voices Together 809

*Benediction

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Welcome to Hope Mennonite. We are glad you are joining us for worship this morning. The Zoom recording is available Monday-Thursday.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Connie Luty

Pianist: Laurie Regehr

Song leader: Lowell Birkey

Scripture reader: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston

Worship tech: Galen Fast

Upcoming Worship Services

January 23 Guest speaker – Gary Blaine

January 30 Communion

February 13 Youth Sunday

Dessert Auction

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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 9

Attendance 66

(Hope 47; Zoom 19; Zoom recorded 0)

Offering \$2,570

Year-to-date \$13,505

Hope offers the option of giving your tithes and offerings electronically through the program **Tithely**.
Contact the church office for instructions.

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 16-22)

Sunday -Noon Pastor Congregation Relations Committee
Wednesday -6:45 pm Youth group
-7:00 pm Choir



- *Pre-1st: Room 8/9
- *Elementary: Room 7
- *Youth: Youth Sunday planning
- *Adults: "Responding to Christian Nationalism" led by Dave Stevens

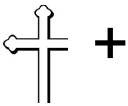
Coffee preparation next week: Gary & Natalie Hand

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (January 23-29)

Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Zoom Study - Gospel of Mark
-6:30 pm Deacons
Wednesday -6:45 pm Youth Group

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We have been deeply touched by the outpouring of support following the loss of our granddaughter Alyssa. The many cards, phone calls, emails, texts, thoughts and prayers have meant so much. We are profoundly grateful for our Hope family. Thank you! Byron and Leona Adrian



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Responding to "Christian"

Nationalism. On January 16, February 6

& 13, Pastor Dave will lead this Sunday School series. January is the month when we remember Anabaptist beginnings, 497 years ago. It's also the month we remember an alarming demonstration of Christian nationalism, when extremist stormed the US Capitol building one year ago. Christian nationalism is a framework of thinking which seeks to merge Christian and American identities. What does it mean to be followers of Jesus, who confess that Jesus is Lord, and live in the midst of this distortion? What is our response? Come learn and explore.

Sandwich Saturday – Please consider signing up to help make sack lunches and/or bake cookies for this ministry. We need help in February and most months during this year.

Take a look at the table in our fellowship area for a display of new titles in the library. These are our 2021 acquisitions from Faith and Life bookstore. They include biographies, fiction, Christian living topics and some children's books. They can be checked out right at the display.

The annual congregational meeting will be held on **January 30** during the Sunday School hour. Following the meeting, you are invited to a fellowship meal. We will be treated to our Craft Bazaar's chicken and noodle soup. Please bring a salad or dessert to share. Sign up on the bulletin board so our cooks know how much soup to prepare.

On January 27, the Thursday evening women's Bible study (via Zoom) will begin studying the book, **HOW TO HAVE AN ENEMY: Righteous Anger and the Work of Peace** by Melissa Florer-Bixler. If you didn't order a book, please do so on your own and contact Brenda Glanzer Lilliston if you plan to attend. "This book is an engagement with what real peace-making looks like. And the author starts not with making peace, but with being sure we're actually doing conflict well. This book is exceptionally timely as we see calls for unity without accountability or truth telling inside and outside the church. In her writing, Pastor Melissa Florer-Bixler examines our current situation and compares to what / how Jesus responded to foes in his day. She discusses historical truth-telling as the base and examining power structures as the important framework for naming harm. More importantly, she asks us to take the call of Jesus seriously - to stand with the marginalized and to be a true communal alternative to the ways of the Empire in which we live."

The Tuesday morning Women's Bible Study will resume on **January 25**, at 10 am on Zoom. We will be studying the Gospel of Mark, utilizing the book, Mark: Interpretation Bible Studies (IBS), by Richard I Deibert, as a resource. Cost of the book is \$13. If you are interested in attending, please contact Brenda Glanzer Lilliston. Please order the book on your own. "Mark challenges the reader to believe in the mystery of God--that even through difficult times, God reigns. Mark's Gospel carries the reader from the desert wilderness to Jerusalem, and from the crisis of the cross to the victory of the empty tomb."

We have received the Mennonite Mission Network prayer cards for the Givens family, our mission partners to Calais, France. They will be with us on February 19 & 20.

WANTED for the Kansas MCC Sale General Auction: Cars, Trucks, Tractors, Motorcycles, Campers, etc. Call Jerry Toews, 620-367-8257, for details and pickup NOW so we have time to get them cleaned up and ready for the sale in April. ALL proceeds go to MCC. We usually get GOOD prices for your donations. Help make a difference in the lives of those struggling around the world through MCC. Thank you!

Prayers for the wider church

...Pray for Western District Conference congregations joining God's work of economic justice, racial equity and peace-building in our communities and world.

...Pray for the Mennonite Mission Network Mexico Partners; Evangelical Mennonite Anabaptist Conference of Churches, a network of 11 congregations based in or near Mexico City; and United Anabaptist Mennonite Church of Mexico, an association of six Mexican conferences.