



Hope Mennonite Church

February 6, 2022

9:30 am Worship

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

Based on Voices Together 1028

Friends, let us worship the nurturing God, whose Spirit plants in us seeds of transformed character.

We worship the God whose Spirit sends down deep roots in us, and grows in us love, joy, peace, patience, and kindness.

Let us worship the God whose Spirit grows in us generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

We worship the God whose Spirit nurtures these seeds of transformed character.

Let us worship the God who empowers us with transformation as the Spirit's free gift.

Opening Prayer

* Songs of Gathering

"We Praise Thee, O God"

Voices Together 91

"Joys Are Flowing like a River"

Voices Together 375

Hearing God's Word

Scripture

Acts 18:24-28, Philippians 4:5

"There Are Many Gifts"

Voices Together 374

Message

"Let your gentleness be known"

Dave Stevens

Sermon response

Jared Shetler

Responding to God's Word

*"Gentle Shepherd, Come and Lead Us" Voices Together 718

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings (First Fruits Sunday)

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

Prayers of God's People

Sending

*"New Earth, Heavens New" Voices Together 377

*Benediction 2nd Corinthians 13:13

Now may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the partnership of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

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Welcome to Hope Mennonite. We are glad you are joining us for worship this morning. This is First-Fruits Sunday. Thank you for your faithful giving as you partner with the living Christ to make the world a better place! The Zoom recording is available Monday-Thursday.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Natalie Hand

Pianist: Cynthia Loganbill

Song leader: Jared Shetler

Scripture reader: Joanna Pinkerton

Worship tech: Randy Pinkerton

Zoom host: Lee Schmucker

Upcoming Worship Services

February 13

Youth Sunday

Dessert Auction

February 20

The Givens family

February 27

Open Road and Woven ensembles

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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 30

Attendance 83

(Hope 47; Zoom 35; Zoom recorded 1)

Offering \$540

Year-to-date \$19,728

Spending plan year-to-date \$24,519

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 (February 5-12)

- Today -Discipleship Commission & youth parents meet following worship prior to Sunday School
-Noon Pastor Congregation Relations Committee
- Tuesday -No Bible study today
- Wednesday -6:45 pm Youth group
-7:00 pm Choir
- Thursday -7:00 am Women's Zoom Study – "How to Have An Enemy: Righteous Anger & The Work of Peace"
- Saturday -12-5:00 pm Reserved event fellowship hall



- *Pre-1st: Room 8/9
- *Elementary: Room 7
- *Youth: Youth Sunday planning
- *Adults: "Responding to Christian Nationalism" led by Dave Stevens. Part 2 of a 3-part series.

Coffee preparation next week: Galen & Cindy Fast

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (February 13-19)

- Sunday -9:30 am Youth Sunday & Dessert Auction
- Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Zoom Study - Gospel of Mark
-6:30 pm Music Committee
- Wednesday -7:00 pm Choir
- Thursday -7:00 am Women's Zoom Study – "How to Have An Enemy: Righteous Anger & The Work of Peace"

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Guests & Visitors last week: Amy Collier

Freezing winter weather is here, and what better way to warm up than to sit down with your Hope family over a steaming hot bowl of chicken noodle soup! On Sunday, **February 20**, you are invited to stay after Sunday School for a fellowship meal. Please sign up on the bulletin board and bring a salad or dessert to share. This will also give you an opportunity to visit more with the Givens family who will be speaking that morning. The meal is free, but Witness and Outreach would like to encourage a donation to the Givens' ministry.

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.

Witness & Outreach invites you to participate in the Dillons Community Rewards program...all you have to do is shop at Dillons and swipe your rewards card! There is not cost to enroll and enrollment will not affect your fuel points or coupon discounts. Year after year, local schools, churches and other nonprofit organizations earn dollars through this program. Last quarter, October 1-December 31, Hope had 43 households participate and that earned the Witness & Outreach special fund \$196.53. This fund is used for requests outside of their regular budget. Sign up at www.dillons.com/i/community/community-rewards listing Hope as your preferred organization.



A donor has matched the \$2500 designated within the Witness and Outreach budget for 2022 and be entered in the Working Men of Christ special fund. The same donor has pledged additional matching dollars up to \$2500 for any above-budget donations which members wish to contribute throughout the year to WMOC.

The Hope Working Men of Christ committee invites you to help break the chain of barriers facing men released from jail and prison. The names and houses of all WMOC students are written on links of the paper chain. Please tear off a link and pray for that individual. The chain will hang at the entrance each Sunday and on the Witness & Outreach bulletin board during the week.

Prayers for the wider church

...During Black History month (February) and throughout the year, pray for Western District Conference congregations and leaders in ongoing work toward racial justice and equity.

...Pray for Anika Clark & John Fast and daughters serving in Ougadougou, Burkina Faso since 2021. Anika serves as a specialist in church history and missiology for Francophone Africa. Their home congregation is Hochma, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

...Pray for the Mennonite Voluntary Service unit in Alamosa, CO; Erin McWilliams & Elizabeth Breckbill. Their host congregation is Anabaptist Fellowship of Alamosa.

Sharing Praises and Prayers

January 30, 2022

Work of the Church

- * Witness & Outreach will give their 2021 budget overage to the Givens family.
- * The Dessert Auction will be held on February 13. All proceeds go to Hope's Scholarship fund which helps our youth who attend Mennonite institutions of higher learning. Because, an auction was not held last year, the mantra this year is "Bid high, bid often and DOUBLE your bid!"
- * Donna Bradbury has men's clothing, including an overcoat, that need a new home. She would love for it to go to one of our ministries.