

# Hope Mennonite Church 9:30 am Worship April 11, 2021 First Sunday after Easter

#### Gathering

Prelude

Welcome

\*Call to Worship

Welcome, sisters and brothers! Let us celebrate the living God who raised Jesus from the dead.

Because Jesus lives, we shall live also.

Our hearts may be heavy. Our eyes may be dimmed with sorrow. Our hopes may be tainted with uncertainty.

Yet we trust in the One who wipes away the tears from all faces, who turns our mourning into dancing.

We trust in the One who brings joy in the morning and power to the faint.

We trust in the One who renews our strength, to soar with wings like eagles.

\*Opening prayer

Songs of Gathering

"Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing"

Voices Together 359

"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"

### Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 15:35-37, 42-44, 50-58

"This Joyful Eastertide"

Voices Together 352

"What the resurrection means to me and how I apply it in my life"
Mike Voth, Laurie Regehr, Margaret Wiebe

Responding to God's Word

"Lift Your Glad Voices"

Voices Together 340

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings Offertory Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Greeting our Guests

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

Prayers of God's People

#### Sending

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

Voices Together 347

\*Benediction

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Welcome to worship at Hope Mennonite Church whether you are joining us in person or on Zoom. The service is available on Zoom recordings Monday-Thursday as well as YouTube. A special thank you to our three Hope members for sharing with us this morning.

### Worship Participants

Worship leader: Renetta Gooden

Pianist: Ruthie Goering

Scripture reader: Donna Heide Worship tech: Michelle Jantz

Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston



# 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.

#### April 4

Attendance-123

(Hope 63; Zoom live 57; Zoom recorded 3)

Offering \$7,492

Year-to-date \$53,891

Spending plan year-to-date \$67,308 Working Men of Christ - \$725

#### 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 (April 11-17)

Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Bible study

Wednesday -7 pm Youth group

Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible Study: "Who Will Be A

Witness" by Drew Hart; Contact person: Brenda

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Join us today for the start of a 5-week Sunday Series "What is the Bible and how do we understand it?" Author Dennis R Edwards says the following: "The Bible has given exuberant joy, certain comfort, inspiration, guidance and courage...The Bible has also

provoked wars. More accurately, people have fought wars because of their understanding of the Bible's teaching." Come for insight from Edwards as well as discussion on our Sacred Text. The class will be facilitated by Cynthia Loganbill. Join in person or via Zoom. This week's focus will be on an introduction and Chapter 1 – What is the purpose of the Bible?



Mower this week: Jim Blakely

#### MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (April 18-24)

Sunday -Youth Sunday

Tuesday -7:00 pm Vision Council

Wednesday -6:30 pm Witness & Outreach

-7:00 pm Worship Commission

-7:00 pm Faith Seekers

Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible Study: "Who Will Be A

Witness" by Drew Hart; Contact person: Brenda

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<u>Guests and visitors last week:</u> Patrick Loganbill; Kendrick Weaver: Orlan & Grace Koehn: Carol Coe & Kindra Rabus

<u>We will hosting</u> a Family Promise family the week of April 25. Please sign up to volunteer and remember to take your training prior to that week.

Family Promise annual trainings Hope will be hosting Family Promise the week of April 25. As per the requirements to be a volunteer, you <u>have</u> to participate in an annual training. This year the trainings will be virtual. There are Initial Training sessions for new volunteers and Refresher Training sessions for past volunteers. The registration information was sent out via email. Date options are April 12, 6 pm for refresher training and April 18, 1 pm for an initial training. Don't delay registering.

<u>The Tuesday morning</u> women's Bible study group will meet this Tuesday, **April 13,** 10:00 am to discuss new Bible study topics as well as when to resume.

We will be collecting coins for the Mid-Kansas Relief Sale all through April. To date we have received \$96.54. In 2019, we were able to raise \$403.23. Let's challenge ourselves to at least match that amount!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 15. We, along with Working Men of Christ, will be going to Camp Mennoscah for an all-day project helping to make improvements on the outdoor amphitheater and perhaps other projects. More details will be forthcoming. Please let Marcus Loganbill know if you plan to help.

<u>Camp Mennoscah</u> is proceeding with plans for children and youth summer camps. There will be a limit on the numbers of each camp so register early at www.campmennoscah.org. There are also registration forms on the front table. The church will provide a \$75 scholarship. Let the church office know by **April 25**.

The Mid-Kansas Relief Sale will be held on July 2 & 3 at the Hutchinson State Fairgrounds. The Theme for the year is "Light." Unexpected things in life do happen often when we least expect them too. God is good. Love Him. Love each other. No matter where the road leads. He will be with us lighting our paths. Therefore: "Let your light shine..." Matthew 5:16

#### Prayers for the wider churches

...Pray for Western District Conference congregations engaged in ministries with immigrants and refugees, as they seek to embody God's love and justice.

...Pray for Jae Young Lee and Karen Spicher serving in Seoul, South Korea since 2007. Karen serves as communications coordinator for Northeast Asia Regional Peacebuilding Institute; and Jae directs the Korean Peacebuilding Institute. Their home congregation is Grace & Peace Mennonite Church, Seoul.

...Pray for the peace witness of all Mennonite congregations and those in the Peace & Justice Support Network, who encourage and inform our peace witness as a community of faith.



We want to continue to recognize April as **Second Chance Month**, and assist our returning citizens from Working Men of Christ. Witness and Outreach and the Working Men of Christ Committee invites you to give an "extra" tithe sometime this month. Last Sunday's giving was \$725, bringing our total to \$8625!!

If you have "garage-sale items" you would like to donate, WMOC will be partnering with Encounter Church and hosting a garage sale April 21-23. If you have items you would like to donate, you can bring them to church or contact Marcus Loganbill for pick-up. Bring them by April 18 and place them in the nursery. Proceeds from this sale will go to Working Men of Christ and Encounter Church.

Last Sunday, Dustin and Shannah left volunteer forms with us. We urge you to consider becoming a mentor to an inmate or WMOC student. Perhaps you see yourself participating in a Bible study or leading in some other way. Forms are on the literature table in Fellowship Hall.

# Sharing Praises and Prayers April 4, 2021

- \* Dave Stevens thanked the congregation for their encouragement and support following Carole's mom's death. Pray for the family as they gather on April 6, in New Jersey, to celebrate her life.
- \* Marcus Loganbill thanked those who helped out with meals for Merrill Rabus' mom and sister, who were here from Colorado for Merrill's memorial gathering. The gathering allowed many to share about Merrill and his life. Continue to keep them in your prayers along with Travis Cox.

# Lift Your Glad Voices

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Text: Henry Ware Jr. (USA), Christian Disciple, 1817, alt.

Music: John E. Gould (USA), Methodist Hymnal with Tunes—Special Edition, ca. 1878

# 347 I Know That My Redeemer Lives



5 He lives, triumphant from the grave; he lives, eternally to save!

6 He lives to heal and make me whole; he lives to guard my troubled soul. 7 He lives and grants me daily breath; he lives, and I shall conquer death!