



Hope Mennonite Church  
9:30 am Worship  
May 16, 2021

## Gathering

Prelude

Welcome

\*Call to Worship

Adapted from Ephesians 4:1-6

Friends, we gather today to worship God who helps us to live a life worthy of the calling to which God calls us.

**We worship God who enables us to be people of humility, gentleness, and patience.**

God empowers us to bear with one another in love, and to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

**There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to one hope of our calling.**

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

**There is one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in all.**

\*Opening prayer

Songs of Gathering

"Here I Am to Worship"

Voices Together 227

"I Owe the Lord a Morning Song"

Voices Together 496

## Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading

Mark 5:21-43

"Ancient Words"

Message

"Alternative Medicine"

Dave Stevens

Response

Amy Bellar

## Responding to God's Word

"For God so loved us"

Hymnal 167

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

Cast your burden on the LORD,  
for God will sustain you. Psalm 55:22

Sending
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"Great is Thy Faithfulness"

Voices Together 419

\*Benediction

Friends, in the face of all our realities, we are the people who  
heal each other ...

**who grow strong together, who name the truth, and who  
know what it means to be the body of Christ.**

We journey forward together, moving towards a common  
dream, for a new heaven and a new earth ...

**We journey forward together, in the hope and power of  
God's love. Amen.**

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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.

Worship Participants
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Worship leader: Lowell Birkey

Pianist: Amy Bellar

Scripture reader: David Schmidt

Worship tech: Scott Luty

Zoom host: Marvin Schmucker

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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](http://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.

May 9

Attendance 61

(Hope 37; Zoom live 18; Zoom recorded 6)

Offering \$3,180

Year-to-date \$78,025

Spending plan year-to-date \$91,346

Working Men of Christ \$50

*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 (May 16-22)

Tuesday -10 am Women's Bible study

Wednesday -5 pm Youth group (bierock prep)  
-7 pm Choir

Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible Study: "Who Will Be A Witness" by Drew Hart; Contact person: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston

Friday 4-8 Bierock prep

Saturday 9-5 Bierock prep



Today we conclude our series on "What is the Bible and how do we understand it?" The final chapter is "What impact does the Bible make?"



Mower this week: Scott Luty

## MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (May 23-29)

Monday -6:30 pm Music Committee

Wednesday -6:00 pm Witness & Outreach

Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible Study: "Who Will Be A Witness" by Drew Hart; Contact person: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston

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Guests & visitors last Sunday – Kurt & Susie Jantz

We will continue collecting coins for the Mid-Kansas Relief Sale through June. To date we have received \$476.44. Let's keep going to help make up for not collecting in 2020.

Bierocks are back! If you ordered bierocks, please pick them up at your scheduled time on May 21 7-8 pm; May 22 3-6 pm; or May 23 11-noon.

Sandwich Saturday – Would you consider putting a group together for Sandwich Saturday? There are no signups from June-November. If you have questions, contact the church office. We are still in need for 20.5 dozen cookies.

We will be having a work day at church next Saturday, **May 22**. You can come any time – we'll begin officially at 8:00 am. There are many things to do around the church – weeding, cleaning debris from specific areas, trimming, etc. Most equipment we need will be supplied. Bring gloves and sunscreen. Bring a chain saw if you have one.

“Let's Talk about Race” will be our next Sunday School series led by Pastor Dave beginning May 23. Recent events, like police-related deaths of people of color, subsequent protests, trials of police officers, COVID-related anti-Asian violence, educational and justice initiatives, and other circumstances have added new energy to the struggle against racism in the United States. Please come to listen, learn, and share experiences.

The June-August issue of the devotional “Rejoice” is available on the literature table. **NOTE:** The dates listed on the front are March-May; but the inside dates are correct.

#### Prayers for the wider churches

...Pray for Western District Conference's Stewardship Commission, meeting this week to discern faithful use of resources, and give thanks for generous contributions that support conference ministry.

...Pray for the various Mennonite Mission Network partners in India: Dhamtari Christian Hospital, Mennonite Christian Service Fellowship of India, Union Biblical Seminary and Friends of UBS to name a few of the eight.

...Pray for the Mennonite Voluntary service unit in Alamosa, Colorado: Connor Born, Roxy Gehring and Erin Kauffman. Their host congregation is Anabaptist Fellowship of Alamosa.

Sharing Praises and Prayers

May 9, 2021

Work of the Church

\* We have a new family in our Hope Home.



A huge thank you to all who made contributions to Working Men of Christ during Second Chance Month. Thank you also to those who donated items for the garage sale also benefitting WMOC. These "above-budget" donations are greatly appreciated as WMOC continues to help returning citizens. To date, \$10,400 has been collected toward our goal of \$12,000.

Have you ever considered becoming a mentor to an inmate or WMOC student? Perhaps you see yourself participating in a Bible study or leading in some other way. Volunteer forms are on the literature table in Fellowship Hall. The Kansas Department of Corrections hosts training for a program called Mentors for Success. Jason Jantz has completed the training. If a group of ten or more sign up, KDOC will conduct another on-line training session for us. See Marcus or Jason if you are interested in Mentors for Success.

# For God so loved us

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GOTT IST DIE LIEBE 10 9 with refrain



- 1 For God so loved us, he sent the Sav - ior. For God so  
 2 He sent the Sav - ior, the bless'd Re - deem - er. He sent the  
 3 He bade me wel - come; oh word of mer - cy! He bade me  
 4 Glo - ry and hon - or, O Love e - ter - nal, to thee be



Refrain



- loved us, and loves me too.  
 Sav - ior to set me free. Love so un - end - ing,  
 wel - come; oh voice di - vine!  
 giv - en while life shall last.



- I'll sing thy prais - es. God loves his chil - dren, loves e - ven me.



1 Gott ist die Liebe, lässt mich erlösen.  
 Gott ist die Liebe, er liebt auch mich.

3 Er sandte Jesum, den treuen Heiland,  
 er sandte Jesum und macht mich los.

2 Ich lag in Banden der schnöden Sünde,  
 ich lag in Banden und konnt nicht los.

4 Jesus, mein Heiland, gab sich zum Opfer,  
 Jesus, mein Heiland, büsst meine Schuld.

Refrain Drum sag ich noch einmal:  
 Gott ist die Liebe,  
 Gott ist die Liebe,  
 er liebt auch mich.

Text: August Rische, *Gott ist die Liebe*; tr. Esther Bergen, *The Youth Hymnary* (Sts. 1-3), 1956; *The Hymn Book* (St. 4 and refrain), 1960  
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Music: Thüringer melody, ca. 1840