



Hope Mennonite Church  
9:30 am Worship  
July 25, 2021  
God's Music: The Psalms

## Gathering

Prelude

Welcome & Opening: Praising God for Our Individuality Hymnal 76

O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

**You know when I sit down and when I rise. You discern my thoughts from afar. You search out my path and my lying down. You are acquainted with all my ways.**

O LORD, you have searched me and known me.

**It was you who formed my inward parts. You knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am awesomely and wonderfully made.**

*[Silence]*

Opening prayer

\*Songs of Gathering

"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"

Hymnal 42

"Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah"

Hymnal 50

## Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading

Hymnal 823; Psalm 139:19-24

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

Hymnal 356

Message

"Wonderfully and Fearfully Made"

Pastor Dave

Sermon Response

Lori Miller

## Responding to God's Word

\*"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Hymnal 46

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

Prayers of God's People

Sending

\*"Move In Our Midst"

Hymnal 418

\*Benediction

*Based on Colossians 3:15-17*

Let us go forth clothing ourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

***May the peace of Christ rule in our hearts, which is our calling.***

May Christ take up residence in us richly.

***And whatever we do, in word or deed, let us do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, as we give thanks to God the Father through him. 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

Worship leader: Lori Miller

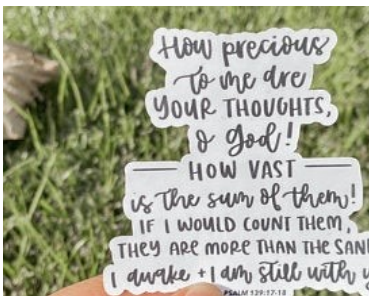
Pianist: Laurie Regehr

Song leader: Kendrick Weaver

Scripture reader: Ruthie Goering

Worship tech: Michelle Jantz

Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston



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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.

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Attendance 102

(Hope 68; Zoom 28; Zoom recorded 6)

Offering \$2624

Year-to-date \$109,238

Spending plan year-to-date \$139,423

*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 (July 25-31)

- Today -Start of our Family Promise week  
Monday -Small Group-meeting in Library  
Tuesday -10 am Women's Bible study "Courageous Joy:  
Delight in God through every Season"  
Friday/Sat -Western District annual assembly



Mower this week: Jerold Heide

Coffee preparation next week: Travis Cox

## MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (August 1-7)

- Saturday -Sandwich Saturday

Visitors last Sunday: JB Hunt; Lynda Harris; John, Connie, Justin Denney; Dale Stitt

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Vision Council met on Tuesday, June 29, 2021, and reviewed the current guidance related to COVID 19 protocol. Effective, July 4, 2021 the following changes in COVID 19 protocols are now into effect at Hope Mennonite Church:

- \*\* Hope will be open to all regular activities.
- \*\*Masks are optional
- \*\*Singing in the sanctuary returns
- \*\*The nursery will be open and will continue to be staffed by our children's family members
- \*\*Coffee service may return indoors
- \*\*Social distancing in the sanctuary will continue

We ask that we all continue to respect one another's decisions related to personal safety. Some may choose to continue to wear masks or worship from home. Additionally, all the regular activities will resume as the volunteers coordinating the activities are able to make plans. If you have questions, please contact Vision Council via Moderator, Michelle Jantz at [moderator@hopemennonite.org](mailto:moderator@hopemennonite.org) or by phone at 703-344-8822.

The July 9 Anabaptist World is now available on table by front door in fellowship hall.

## Prayers for the wider churches

...Pray for WDC's Annual Assembly next weekend, as we share the new experience of a hybrid (in-person and online) gathering!

...Pray for Robin Gingerich as she chairs the English program in LCC International University in Klaipėda, Lithuania.

...Pray for Matthew & Toni Krabill who are based at Paris Mennonite Center, as they assist in resourcing French speaking churches throughout Europe, Africa and Canada.

### Sharing Praises and Prayers

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#### Work of the Church

- \* Tyler Kaufman presented a short video about the upcoming giving option, Tithe.ly. More info coming out Monday.
- \* Pastor Dave shared a bit on General Assembly. Karen Zehr, Michelle Jantz, and Pastor Dave were our delegates. Glen Guyton, Executive Director of MCUSA invited the churches to be "transformed". "Power of the church lies in transformation". More reporting on the conference will be coming from our delegates. Special meeting taking place in May 2022 in Kansas City, and then regular conference in Kansas City in 2023.



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, \$10,810 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

**Art Accompanying “God’s Music: The Psalms** The panels for “God’s Music” were first seen in 2019, our last deep dive into the Psalms.

The smaller paper panels represent the concepts (spoken of by Walter Brueggemann in *The Psalms: The Life of Faith*) of orientation (“home” as we know it), disorientation (the disruption and loss of the certainties we knew), and reorientation (the gift of a new reality that is now home). Psalms of orientation and reorientation are psalms of praise, while disorientation is expressed in the laments of the Psalms. Brueggemann explains that lament has two distinct movements. The first is descending into the depths of mourning the loss of what was, while the second is a turning in sorrow toward the not yet of what is next.

The panel on the far left is “Orientation”, the panel on the far right, “Reorientation.” Between are “Lament I: Descending” on the left and “Lament II: Turning” on the right.

Each of the four paper panels carry a medallion, illuminated in gold, with five words in Hebrew. At the center of each is the Hebrew word “You,” the word used for God throughout the Psalms. Around that are attributes of God. At the top, steadfast love, then, clockwise around; righteousness, wondrous, and faithfulness. The medallion is the through line. Though our experience of God through orientation, disorientation, and reorientation may feel different, the center and the attributes are constant and sure.

The central panel of the series (now translated into fabric) is meant to illuminate the medallion that is the through line across the panels of orientation (praise), disorientation (lament), and reorientation (praise) as though that medallion was being seen under a cosmically powerful microscope. So magnified, we can begin to discern the hand of God in all of creation.

The organizing design of the magnified panel is an equiangular spiral, *aka* a logarithmic spiral, *spira mirabilis*, or Golden Spiral. It is also known as the Golden Ratio, Golden Mean, Golden Proportion, Sacred Cut, or Divine Proportion.

The Golden Spiral appears throughout creation from the infinitesimal to the infinite, far beyond what we can see or comprehend. It is a shape, a proportion, very much in evidence in God’s design, emblematic of balance, harmony, reconciliation, mystery, and wonder as we ponder the ways of our God in creation, through orientation, through disorientation, through reorientation.