

Hope Mennonite Church
August 14, 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

Opening Prayer

*Call to Worship

When Jesus had finished saying these things,
he left Galilee
and went to the region of Judea beyond the Jordan.
Large crowds followed him,
and he cured them there.

And Jesus said:
Blessed are the poor in spirit,
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Some Pharisees came to him to test him.

Jesus spoke with them and spoke with the disciples.

**Then the little children were being brought to him
in order that he might lay his hands on them and pray.**

The disciples spoke sternly to those who brought them;

but Jesus said,
“Let the little children come to me,
and do not stop them;
for it is such as these
that the kingdom of heaven belongs.” [Matt 19]

Whether rich or poor, adult or child,

“. . . all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care.”

**There’s not a place where even a child can flee
but God is present there!**

*Songs of Gathering

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”

“Called by Earth and Sky”

Voices Together 182

Voices Together 806

Hearing God's Word

Children's Time

Ruthie Goering

Scripture Deuteronomy 6:5-9; 6:20-24; 31:12; Matthew 19:13-15

"Come On, Children, to the Gospel Feast" Voices Together 511

Message

Making Ready: Children & Faith

Susan Jantzen

Responding to God's Word

* "The Family of God"

Insert

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

* "We Will Walk with God"

Voices Together 815

*Benediction

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A warm welcome to all who have chosen to worship with us this morning in person or on Zoom. The Zoom recording is available Monday-Thursday.

In August, we will Make Ready for God to dwell among us by looking at human community. We will take communion together as a congregation next Sunday, August 21. In preparation, may we each find time to reflect on our relationship with God and with each other.

Upcoming Worship

August 21

Making Ready: Generations, Moses and Jethro
Communion

August 28

Making Ready: Jesus as Teacher

September 4

Voices Together Sunday

Stay in Touch with Hope

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Church Office Hours

Susan Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am-4:00 pm
Cynthia Monday-Thursday 9:00 am-1:30 pm
Kim Friday 9:00 am-1:00 pm
Staff meeting Tuesday - 9:30-11 am

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.

August 7

Attendance 61

(Hope 48; Zoom 11; Recording 2)

Offering \$6,892

Year-to-date \$126,358

Spending plan year-to-date \$156,923

Hope offers an electronic option of giving through **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

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Mike Voth
Pianist: Vicki Howard
Song Leader: Kendrick Weaver
Scripture reader: Barb Voth
Worship tech: Michelle Jantz
Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (August 14-20)

Tuesday -7:00 pm Vision Council

Coffee preparation next week: Randy & Joanna Pinkerton

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (August 21-27)

Sunday -Game day/snacks following worship
All are invited. Please bring your favorite game(s).



Mower this week: Scott Luty

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Guests last Sunday: Adam Kroeker; Deb Kroeker; Bret Preheim

Sandwich Saturday Would you consider coordinating Sandwich Saturday on September 3? October 1 is also open. Cookies are always needed – we need 18 dozen for September.

Library survey – In order to serve the congregation more effectively, the Discipleship Commission and Library Committee encourage you to fill out the library survey via Survey Monkey. Look for the survey invitation soon.

The fall issue of the devotional *Rejoice* is available on the front literature table. Pick up your copy today.

Some books are looking for a new home! The books on the table outside the Church Library have been weeded from the shelves and are ready to go home with you. Donations would be accepted but are not required. (Don't forget that there are also many wonderful resources IN your Church Library just waiting for you to read)!

Pastor/Congregation Review Every five years, our church does a review of our pastor and the congregation. This is the year for that review. The Western District Conference has assigned Kathy Goering Reid to be the advisor for this process. Kathy is a retired Mennonite pastor living in Waco, Texas. The process we will use for the review is called, "The Appreciative Way" and involves surveying various groups within the church in a group setting. The Appreciative Way is a process developed by Western District Conference.

Group interviews will take place during the Sunday School hour in September. Members of the Pastor Congregation Relations Committee (PCRC) will conduct the interviews with the help of three recorders. Members of PCRC are, Bob Stolzle, Debbie Kasitz and Myron Regier. Recorders are Renetta Gooden, Margaret Wiebe and Delaine Stolzle.

Please note the following schedule for the group surveys:

Youth – May 1 (Already completed)

Women's Bible study groups, Tuesday group and Thursday group – September 11

Vision Council and Young Adults – September 18.

All others – September 25

All Hope attendees are encouraged to take part in the review process. If anyone prefers to do the survey privately, feel free to do so. Those surveys can be turned in to the church secretary. If you are homebound, just let Myron Regier know and your survey will be picked up at your convenience. Survey questions will be sent to all attendees via email the first week of September. Paper copies of the survey questions will also be available in the church office.

All women are invited to join one or both of the Bible studies that will be offered this fall. There will be more detailed information in the September newsletter.

TUESDAY MORNING: The first class and last class will be in-person (9/13 and 10/25) and the other sessions will be on Zoom at 10:00 am. We will be studying, The Gospel on the Ground - Bible Study Book with Video Access: The Grit and Glory of the Early Church in Acts. Please contact the church office for a book to be ordered for you no later than **August 31**. The cost per person is \$10. A special church fund is subsidizing the books.

THURSDAY EVENING will start on Thursday, **September 8** at 7:00 pm on Zoom. We will be studying Unsettling Truths: The Ongoing, Dehumanizing Legacy of the Doctrine of Discovery by Mark Charles and Soong-Chan Rah. Please order the book yourself. The church does have a fund to help with the cost of the book. Contact the church office for more information. If you have any questions, please contact Brenda Glanzer Lilliston. This study will enhance the two programs that will be offered at Hope Mennonite in the fall. The first presentation is "Chief Lucy" given by Pauline Sharp, Thursday, October 6, 7 pm. The second program, "We Own This Now," will be offered by Ted and Company Saturday, November 5 at 7 pm at Hope Mennonite Church

Prayers for the wider church

...As a new school begins, pray for wisdom for Sunday school coordinators, teachers, youth sponsors and mentors who guide faith formation for children, youth and adults in Western District Conference congregations.

...Pray for Christy Harrison & Peter Sensenig & children who moved in Paris, France in 2021. They are currently in language study; connecting with French-speaking Mennonites and preparing to serve in French-speaking Africa under Eastern Mennonite Mission. Their home congregation is Oxford Mennonite Church, Philadelphia, PA.

31. God's Family

Patricia Shelly

Patricia Shelly

Refrain



All grown - ups, all chil - dren, all moth - ers, all fa - thers are



sis - ters and broth - ers in the fam - ly of God.

Stanzas



1 I am a per - son, God made me spe - cial.
2 So man - y chil - dren, all of them diff - rent.
3 God has a fam - ly with man - y peo - ple:



You are a per - son and you're spe - cial too.
God gave each per - son his own thing to do.
Grown - ups and chil - dren who love God to - day.



We have our fam - lies and friends we can play with;
All of God's chil - dren are sis - ters and broth - ers.
We get to - geth - er to care for each oth - er to



There are so man - y good things we can do.
I know God loves me and God loves you too.
wor - ship and learn how to fol - low God's way.