



Hope Mennonite Church
9:30 am Worship
August 22, 2021
Camp Mennoscah Sunday

Gathering

Prelude “Called by Earth and Sky” Voices Together 806

Welcome

Call to Worship

Adapted from a camp presentation by
Menno & Marianne Doerksen in the late 1960s.

In the beginning God created the Heaven and the earth and
God said: Let us make man in our image, after our likeness, so
God created man in His own image.

Was he white, or yellow, or black?

In the image of God created He him.

Was he Mennonite, Catholic, or Methodist?

It doesn't say – only that he created man. Man was created
man, different from the fish and 4-footed animals, different in
color – But still man, wanting the same things –

**Food to eat, a place to sleep, land to work, to live on, to
build a better world for our young**

And he got that better world because man worked with man.

To build a home. To build a church.

And it was man working with man who built Camp Mennoscah,
the noisy cabins and quite campfire.

The clanging of the bell and the sounds of silence at night.

And no one asked, was he black or white? Was he
Mennonite, Catholic or Methodist? No one – but the sick in
mind. We built a camp, powerful and glorious, because man
worked with man.

**And we built the camp so man could learn to live with man
– in friendship and in peace. Because friendship belongs
to all men; not to one color, not to one religion.**

No one asked at Camp Mennoscah is he black or white? Is he
Mennonite, Catholic or Methodist?

We sang some songs.

We were hungry and we shared a meal.

And I thought to myself what a wonderful world this was with so many different people helping me to be healthy and happy, and how much I owed them. And I didn't think once that day of the songs we sang and the friends we made...

Is he black or white?

Is he Mennonite, Catholic or Methodist?

In all your deeds. In all your thoughts. In all you say, Remember this – “And God created man in His own image, In the image of God created He him” And it doesn't say he was white, and it doesn't say he was black, it doesn't say he was Mennonite, Catholic, or Methodist, it just says, “He created man” - and that's all of us.

Opening prayer

*Songs of Gathering

“Here in this place”

Hymnal 6

“Seek ye first the kingdom of God”

Insert

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading

Matthew 13:3-12 & 16-23 NIV

“I lift my eyes up”

Insert

Camp Stories - Seeds in the Sand

Renetta Gooden, Elisha Miller, Greg Shelly

Responding to God's Word

*“The Lord Your God Is with You” (Zephaniah 3:17)

Insert

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “Quietly, Peacefully”

Voices Together 533

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greeting our Guests (Please pass the attendance pads)

Seeing and Seeking God

Sabrina Bellar

Work of the Church

Sharing our Praises and Concerns

Prayers of God's People

Sending

*“You shall go out with joy”

Hymnal 427

*Benediction

As you go from this place, thoughtfully consider the seeds you intentionally or unknowingly plant in the lives of someone else. They may be someone close to you, someone at school or at work, just an acquaintance, or someone you’ve never met before. They could be black or white. They could be Mennonite, Catholic or Methodist? “In the image of God created He him” – and that’s all of us! Go in Peace!

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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.

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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.

August 15

Attendance 75
(Hope 43; Zoom 28; Zoom recorded 4)
Offering \$5,965
Year-to-date \$129,318
Spending plan year-to-date \$158,654
MCC school kits - \$125

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: Marcus Loganbill
Pianists: Cynthia Loganbill, Laurie Regehr
Song leader: Galen Fast
Scripture reader: David Schmidt
Worship tech: Michelle Jantz
Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston

Upcoming Worship Events

August 29	Baptism and Communion
September 26	Voices Together dedication
October 3	Re-dedication Sunday

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (August 22-28)

Sunday	-11:00 am Fellowship Hall reserved
Saturday	-9-3:00 pm Reserved Event



Mower this week: Jim Blakely

Coffee preparation next week: Scott & Connie Luty

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (August 29-September 4)

Saturday	-Sandwich Saturday(need coordinator/cookies)
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Guests and visitors last Sunday: Jesse Mueller; David, Brocia, Elijah Mueller

Sandwich Saturday: We are looking for a coordinator/group on September 4 & October 2. We need 14 dozen cookies for the 4th.

ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME to join the Tuesday Morning Bible Study. We will meet **September 7-November 30** (no class November 23) at 10:00 concurrently in the church library and on Zoom. We will be studying, *The Bible Unwrapped: Making Sense of Scripture Today* by Meghan Larissa Good. Many people, Christians and non-Christians alike, have questions about the Bible that they are too afraid to ask. In the book, *The Bible Unwrapped: Making Sense of Scripture Today*, Meghan Larissa Good helps readers consider why the Bible matters. The book tackles dozens of difficult questions about passages in the Bible, drawing from the best of contemporary biblical scholarship and the ancient well of Christian tradition. Good invites readers to faithful reading, communal discernment, and deep and transformative wonder about Scripture. Leonard Sweet, bestselling author and scholar, says about *The Bible Unwrapped*, "Do not let this unique gift pass by unopened and unenjoyed." Dottie Escobedo-Frank, pastor and author, adds, "You need this book in your church, and in your work with people who are searching for answers. It is the missing piece for our discussions on the Bible." **There are two options for obtaining the book.** Either notify the church office for a borrowed book from the Western District Conference Library or to purchase the book for \$18. The deadline is **August 26**. Please contact Brenda Glanzer Lilliston at 316-644-7690 if you have any questions.

Vision Council information We will conduct a ballot process related to whether or not we move forward with a welcome statement. The voting period will be open from Sunday, September 12th through Sunday, September 19th. Paper ballots will be available after the Sunday Service on both the 12th and the 19th and available at the church office throughout the week. An electronic ballot will also be distributed via email. Members and regular attendees, including youth are invited to complete the ballot. We ask for one ballot per person. Contact Michelle Jantz at moderator@hopemennonite.org or 703-344-8822 if you have questions.

ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME to join the Thursday evening Bible Study. We will meet Thursday, **September 9-December 9** (no class November 25) at 7 pm on Zoom. This fall we will be discussing the book, *Dear White Peacemaker: Dismantling Racism with Grit and Grace* by Osheta Moore. Race is one of the hardest topics to discuss in America. Many white Christians avoid talking about it all together. Michelle Ami Reyes states in her book review, "After reading this book, you'll feel all the more equipped to seek shalom and healing instead of hate and retribution in our racially torn world." Rooted in the life, ministry and teachings of Jesus, this book is a challenging call to transform white shame, fragility, saviorism, and privilege in order to work together to build the Beloved Community as anti-racism peacemaking. RSVP to the church office by **August 26** if you are attending. We will also order your book at the cost of \$20. If you so choose. Please contact Brenda Glanzer Lilliston at 316-644-7690 with your questions.

On Saturday, August 28 from 9:00 to 3:00, several churches will meet at Hope Mennonite Church for a workshop/orientation. The activities will be led by Carrie Corliss, founder and leader for Family Promise Wichita. The goal of the orientation is to challenge ourselves to take small steps toward big changes by resetting our hearts for our neighbors and our assumptions about ministry. This is an opportunity to apply the principles of helping without hurting in everyday life – and to take the first steps toward building personal relationships with people who are different from you. Contact Marcus Loganbill for more information or wish to attend.

The Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale Annual Meeting will be Thursday, **August 26**, 6:00 pm at First Mennonite Church, McPherson. The cost of the meal is \$20.00. Please RSVP to Barb BJ Reeves at bj.reeves@live.com or 620-543-6863 by August 22. We will be checking with health information sources regarding group meetings closer to the date for everyone's protection. The funds will go to the McPherson Housing Coalition for the construction of Oak Harbor Cottages for low income/homeless families.



A huge thank you to all who have made contributions to Working Men of Christ which help with returning citizen. To date, \$10,810 has been collected toward our goal of \$12,000.

The Kansas Department of Corrections will be hosting a training for their Mentoring for Success program. Mentoring for Success (M4S) works with inmates who are scheduled to be released from prison or jail and assists them with their transition back to society. If you are interested in helping returning inmates this would be a great opportunity. Prior to training, you must fill out an application and several forms. The next training is scheduled for Saturday, **August 28**, 9:00 to 3:00 at the Wichita Parole Office. A second date for training will take place on two evenings in September. Please see Marcus Loganbill for information on how to register.

Prayers for the wider churches

...Pray for Western District Conference Commissions as they support ministerial leaders, resource congregations, nurture church planting, and steward resources for God's work.

...Pray for Naomi Tice serving in Bammental, Germany since 2018. Naomi is an Administrative Assistant for Volunteer Placements with *Christliche Dienste*, a long-time partner of Mennonite Mission Network. Her home congregation is Spring (PA) Mennonite Church.

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Seek Ye First

LAFFERTY Irregular

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 Seek ye first the king - dom of God and its
2 Ask, and it shall be giv - en un - to you; seek, and

right - eous - ness, ye shall find; and all these things shall be
knock, and the door shall be

lu - ia, al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

add - ed un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!
o - pened un - to you. Al - le - lu, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: based on Matthew 6:33, 7:7, Luke 11:9, 12:31; Karen Lafferty (USA), 1972

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I Lift My Eyes Up

Words and Music by
Brian Doerksen

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VERSE 1a

C F C F C F C

I lift my eyes up to the moun-tains. Where does my help come

4 G C F/A C F/A C F/A C

from? My help comes from You, mak-er of heav-en, cre-a-tor of the

VERSE 1b

8 G C F/A C F/A C F/A C/E

earth. I lift my eyes up to the moun-tains. Where does my help come

12 G C F/A C F/A C F/A C/E

from? My help comes from You, mak-er of heav-en, cre-a-tor of the

16 G C/E G/F F C/E G/F F

earth. Oh, how I need You, Lord. You are my on-ly hope.

CHORUS 1a

19 C/E F C/E G C/E G/F F

You're my on-ly pray'r. So I will wait for You

22 C/E G/F F C/E G/F C/E 1. G 2. G

to come and res-cue me. Come and give me life. life.

26 C/E G/F F C/E G/F F

Oh, how I need You, Lord. You are my on-ly hope.
So I will wait for You to come and res-cue me.

CHORUS 1b

28 C/E G/F C/E G repeat and fade

You're my on-ly pray'r.
Come and give me life.

The Lord Your God Is with You 173

ZEPHANIAH 3:17 Irregular

The Lord your God is with you, who is might-y to
save. God will take great joy in you;
God will qui - et you with love; and
God will re-joyce o - ver you with sing - ing. Al -
le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: based on Zephaniah 3:17; Nathan Stucky (USA), 1999, alt.
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