

Hope Mennonite Church
August 28, 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

Isaiah 30 and Matthew 5

**Though the Lord may give you the
bread of adversity and the water of affliction,
yet your Teacher will not hid himself any more,
but your eyes shall see your Teacher.
And when you turn to the right
or when you turn to the left,
your ears shall hear a word behind you saying,
“This is the way; walk in it.”**

And great crowds followed Jesus
from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem,
Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

**When Jesus saw the crowds,
he went up the mountain;
and after he sat down, his disciples came to him.**

Then he began to speak, and taught them saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. . . .
Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.”

*Songs of Gathering

“Jesus Calls Us”

Voices Together 30

“I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

Voices Together 536

Hearing God's Word

Scripture reading

Matthew 5:1-10, 13; 15-32-34a; 21:23-27

“Come and See”

Voices Together 282

Responding to God's Word

* "What Is the World Like"

Voices Together 298

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

* "You Are Salt for the Earth"

Voices Together 297

*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.

Upcoming Worship

September 4 Voices Together Sunday

September 11 Making Ready: Moral Imagination

Susan Jantzen's concludes her time at Hope

September 18 Dave Steven's first Sunday back

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Connie Luty

Pianist: Cynthia Loganbill

Song Leader: Galen Fast

Scripture reader: Ruthie Goering

Worship tech: Michelle Jantz

Zoom host: Lee Schmucker

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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 21

Attendance 74

(Hope 62; Zoom 12; Recording 0)

Offering \$2,054

Year-to-date \$131,676

Spending plan year-to-date \$166,731

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

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (August 28-September 3)

Saturday -Sandwich Saturday (helpers and 18 dozen cookies still needed)

Coffee preparation next week: no coffee due to holiday weekend

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (September 4-10)

Tuesday -6:30 pm Deacons

Wednesday -7:00 pm Choir

Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible Study "Unsettling Truths: The Ongoing, Dehumanizing Legacy of the Doctrine of Discovery"



Mower this week: Randy Pinkerton

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Guests last Sunday: Tavian & Cruz Graber

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.

The August 26 issue of *Anabaptist World* is available on the front literature table, as well as the past issue. The focus is on the earth and changes in our climate around the world.

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. The survey has been emailed out. If you did not receive one, please contact the church office. The deadline is **September 11**.

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)!

I'm Lost – please find me! Take a look at the table in the fellowship hall. These are items that have been unclaimed for many months. You might be surprised that one or more belong to you. In addition, the shelving units and the small cabinet are FREE to anyone who might have a need for them. Take them!

New choir season coming soon. Our 2022/23 choir season will begin on Wednesday, September 7, 7:00 pm under the direction of Trae Gehring. Trae is following in the footsteps of our many directors from Bethel College. We rehearse 3 Wednesdays a month and sing once a month. If you enjoy singing, but have never been a part of the choir, please join us. All are welcome. We especially need a few more women's voices. If you need more information, please contact Cynthia Loganbill, choir liaison.

Just a reminder that picture taking for the 2022 picture directory starts today after church in room 2 downstairs. Any family with changes & all new attendees needs to have their picture taken, but all are welcome to get a new picture taken. Picture taking Sundays are today & September 11 during fellowship time.

All are invited to our fellowship meal on September 11 following Sunday School. This is not only a great way to kick start our fall activities but will also be a time to thank Susan Jantzen for her ministry among us as sabbatical pastor. Please bring food to share as we gather to eat and fellowship together.

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 3 pm at Hope Mennonite Church

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.

Prayers for the wider church

...Let us join in prayer so that as we proclaim the good news of salvation as Jesus followers, we can also connect with our communities by inviting our neighbors to join the table, being empathetic, and seeing each other as equals. Sandra Montes-Martinez, Associate Conference Minister

...Pray for Austin Roberts, serving in Rostrevor, Northern Ireland since 2016. He is working with Youth With A Mission (YWAM) and involved with programs related to discipleship, biblical studies and reconciliation. His home congregation is Hively Avenue Mennonite, Elkhart, IN.

...Pray for Mennonite Mission Network parents in France – Association of Mennonite Evangelical Churches in France; La Prairie Church of Montebiard; Mennonite Mission; Paris Mennonite Center; and Mennonite Network of French speakers from France and Switzerland.

Sharing Praises and Prayers August 21, 2022

Work of the Church

- * Margaret Wiebe, our MCC representative, thanked the congregation for their support in collecting items for both refugee and school kits. Hope continues to make comforter tops and organizes times to tie the comforters and talk to Margaret if you wish to help out. MCC has shipped 38,100 comforters around the world including Ukraine.