Hope Mennonite Church September 4, 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

*Call to Worship

Voices Together 869

*Songs of Gathering

"Summoned by the God Who Made Us"

"Come, Thou Fount"

Voices Together 1 Voices Together 563

Hearing God's Word

Prayer Voices Together 882

"We Praise Thee, O God" Voices Together 91

Message Galen Fast

"Gloria" Voices Together 94

"Let This Mind Be in You" Voices Together 572
"Christ Has No Body Here but Ours" Voices Together 568

Response Reading Voices Together 381

As you come to Christ, the living Stone -rejected by humans but chosen by God – and precious to God – you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession,

that you may declare the praises of the one who called you out of gloom into a marvelous hope.

Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people.

Responding to God's Word

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

Voices Together 996

Sending

* "Go, My Friends, in Grace"

Voices Together 810

*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 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: Laurie Regehr Song Leader: Galen Fast

Scripture reader: Marcus Loganbill Worship tech: Michelle Jantz Zoom host: Lee Schmucker

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 28

Attendance 74

(Hope 57; Zoom 11; Recording 0)

Offering \$4,157

Year-to-date \$135,833

Spending plan year-to-date \$171,635

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 (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"

Coffee preparation next week: Bob & Delaine Stolzle

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (September 11-17)

Sunday -noon – fellowship meal

Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Bible Study

"The Grit and Glory of the Early Church in Acts"

-6:30 pm Music Committee -7:00 pm Worship Commission

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Mower this week: Randy Graber

Guests last Sunday: Lois Birkey

<u>We would like</u> to thank the congregation for their prayers and expressions of sympathy over the last several weeks, following the death of Kendal's sister. --Kendal & Marjie Warkentine

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.

<u>Library survey</u> – 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.**

<u>I'm Lost – please find me!</u> Take a look at the table in the fellowship hall. These are items that have been unclaimed. You might be surprised that one or more belong to you. The small cabinet (made by our founding pastor, Marvin Zehr) is FREE to anyone who can use it.

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

<u>Some books</u> 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)!

New choir season coming soon. Our 2022/23 choir season will begin this 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 and join when you are able. We especially need a few more women's voices. If you need more information, please contact Cynthia Loganbill, choir liaison.

<u>Just a reminder</u> that picture taking for the 2022 picture directory will be held next Sunday, **September 11**, following 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.

<u>All are invited</u> 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.

<u>All women are invited</u> 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 inperson (9/13 and 10/25) and the other sessions will be on Zoom at 10:00 am. We will be studying, <u>The Gospel on the Ground - Bible Study Book with Video Access: The Grit and Glory of the Early Church in Acts.</u>

THURSDAY EVENING will start on Thursday, **September 8** at 7:00 pm on Zoom. We will be studying <u>Unsettling Truths: The Ongoing, Dehumanizing Legacy of the Doctrine of Discovery</u> 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. 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

<u>Pastor/Congregation Review</u> 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

...Pray for Western District Conference members studying through IBA, Instituto Bíblico Anabautista, (Anabaptist Biblical Institute) and SeBAH, Seminario Bíblico Anabautista Hispano (Hispanic Anabaptist Biblical Seminary), and give thanks for those who are participating in the IBA/SeBAH graduation ceremony this weekend at Hesston College.

...Pray for David & Rebekka Stutzman and family serving in Manheim, Germany since 2021. They are church planters and missional church workers. Their home congregation is Maranatha Christian Fellowship, Reseda, CA.

...Pray for Mennonite Mission Network's Germany partners: Mennonite Voluntary service; DMFK, German Mennonite Peace Committee; and Friedenshaus (House of Peace), a ministry that accompanies migrants from several different countries, such as Syria; and Virginia Mennonite Missions.