



Rededication Sunday
October 3, 2021

...always be prepared to give an answer to everyone
who asks you to give the reason
for the hope that you have.
1 Peter 3:15



Hope Mennonite Church
9:30 A.M. 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

Sisters and brothers, we gather today to give thanks for the body of Christ. We are grateful to be part of the community of faith.

As a community, we journey together through the years, formed and guided by the Spirit. We interpret life through faith, discerning together God's way forward.

As a community, we share our troubles and sorrows. We also celebrate together, for the joy of the Lord is our strength.

As a community, we combine our gifts, resources, and energies in the ministry of Good News.

As a community, we worship the One who can accomplish through us more than all we can ask or imagine.

As an Anabaptist community empowered by the Holy Spirit, we, Hope Mennonite Church, continue calling and making disciples who bring Christ's love and peace to our world. Today, we give thanks for the body of Christ.

Opening Prayer

* Songs of Gathering

"Oh, for a Thousand Tongues"

Voices Together 764

"Will You Come and Follow Me"

Voices Together 540

Hearing God's Word

Children's Story

Eldon & Annette Chlumsky

Scripture reading

Ephesians 3:14-21 (adapted)

Part of the Reading from Dedication Sunday October 8, 1989

For this reason, we bend our knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth receives its name.

We pray that God may grant us, as befits his glorious wealth, to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in the inner person.

We pray that Christ may take up residence in our hearts, which happens through faith, as we continue being rooted and grounded in love.

We pray that we may grasp for ourselves, along with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth—indeed, that we may know the all-surpassing love of Christ which is beyond knowing.

We pray these things so that we may be filled with all the fullness of God.

And we make our prayer to the One who, according to the power at work in us, is able to do infinitely more than all we can ask or imagine. To God be the glory, in the church and in Christ Jesus, to all generations forever and ever. Amen!

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

Voices Together 737

Reflections

Marvin Zehr, Eldon Chlumsky

Responding to God’s Word

*“Take My Life, and Let It Be”

Voices Together 759

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

“Shout Glory!” Byron J. Smith

Choir

Greeting our Guests (Please pass the attendance pads)

Seeing and Seeking God

Work of the Church

Sharing our Praises and Concerns

Prayer of God’s People

Rededication of ourselves and Hope

Sending

* “The Lord’s Prayer”

*Benediction

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Church Office Hours

Dave Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 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.

September 26

Attendance 87

(Hope 70; Zoom 15; Zoom recorded 2)

Offering \$12,549

Year-to-date \$157,252

Spending plan year-to-date \$187,500

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.

Welcome to worship at Hope Mennonite Church. We are celebrating the rededication of ourselves and Hope following a time of Covid. This service is available on Zoom recordings Monday-Thursday as well as YouTube.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Dave Stevens
Pianist: Ruthie Goering
Song leader: Kendrick Weaver
Scripture reader: Lee Schmucker
Worship tech: Galen Fast
Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston

Upcoming Worship Events

October 10 World Communion Sunday
October 24 Worship at Camp Mennoscah

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (October 3-9)

Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Bible Study
 The Bible Unwrapped: Making Sense of Scripture Today
Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible study via Zoom
 Dear White Peacemaker: Dismantling Racism with Grit and Grace



*Pre-1st: Room 8/9
*Elementary: Room 7
*Youth: Room 3
*Adults: No Sunday School today.

Coffee preparation next week: Gary & Natalie Hand



Mower this week: Randy Pinkerton

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (October 10-16)

Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Bible Study
 The Bible Unwrapped: Making Sense of Scripture Today
Wednesday -Hope Friends meal (spaghetti casserole and more)
 -6:30 pm Youth group
 -7:00 pm Choir
Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible study via Zoom
 Dear White Peacemaker: Dismantling Racism with Grit and Grace

Guests and visitors last Sunday: Joyce Horst; Darlene Knutson; Scarlett & Beckham Adrian

The cover of today's bulletin recreates part of the bulletin cover on Charter Sunday, October 6, 1985. It also includes 1 Peter 3:15 which was the verse chosen for Hope.

Hope banner information: The banner on the right is the original Hope banner and the banner on the left is the 10th anniversary banner. Now we add a new part with doves representing our congregational members and attendees.

Please place your hymnal in the rack with the spine up so you can read the words "Voices Together." This is different information from last week.

Family Promise Training – On October 10, you are invited to the yearly training which will be held during Sunday School. All people volunteering for Family Promise need a yearly training, this is one of your opportunities, if you haven't already.

New Worship Series beginning October 10 "The Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7): Jesus' Program for Living" will be our focus for Sundays in October and November. For Anabaptist Christians, this is the heart of Jesus' teaching and guidance on how to live as people of God's reign. We look forward to worshipping and learning together.

Small group updates. The purpose of small groups at Hope is to gather together in a smaller setting for deeper relationships, fellowship and/or study. This is the time of year when we have 'open enrollment' for small groups. There are forms on the front literature table indicating your interest level and several options. All are invited, whether you are long time attendees or newer attendees, to fill out a form and place it in the envelope on the bulletin board no later than **October 17**.

Hope Friend meal attendees: Would you be willing to bring one food item on Wednesdays? If we each help out, it lightens the load for Care & Nurture. There is a signup sheet on the bulletin board. Item(s) purchased & donated offset your cost of the meal.

Our annual church retreat is scheduled for the Retreat Center at Camp Mennoscah on October 23(afternoon)-October 24(brunch). It is very important to know what our numbers might be. The 2019 retreat was cancelled due to low numbers. The deadline for your RSVP is **TODAY**. Please fill out the form and return to the church office or email your reservation to the church office. Forms are available on the front literature table.

Choir text for “Shout Glory!”

Where can I go? What can I do?

When my road gets rocky, don't know what to do.

What can I say that will see me through? I shout glory!

Glory, Glory to the Lord, shout glory to You.

Walking through life, can't find my way.

Just don't know which way to go, don't know what to say.

Who can I turn to, to show me the way?

He has changed my life, He has turned me around.

He's my Father and my Savior.

He has turned my path into smoother ground.

I can call Him any day, Oh!

Shout glory, glory hallelujah (sopranos)

Glorify the Lord, O we sing (altos)

Shout glory, glory to his precious name (tenors)

Glory, Glory, hallelujah (basses)



Sharing Praises and Prayers
September 26, 2021

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Work of the Church

- * Kendrick Weaver invited people to consider joining the choir.
- * Ruthie Goering gave thanks to the young adult group who were fundamental in fundraising for the purchase of our *Voices Together* hymnal. Who could forget their delicious breakfast!
- * Marcus Loganbill reported that Witness & Outreach's donation to St. Francis Migration Ministries (no longer in existence) is going to the International Rescue Committee. They are anticipating 400 refugees, primarily Afghans. He also has information on people interested in being mentors to inmate through the Kansas Department of Corrections in Sedgwick County.
- * Margaret Wiebe shared that Witness & Outreach purchased a gift card to send to Mary Raber on her retirement. They are currently working with Mennonite Mission Network on a new family to support.

