



Hope Mennonite Church

9:30 A.M. Worship

October 17, 2021

Tune Our Hearts to Sing God's Grace

Gathering to Worship

As we gather for worship, please silence all electronic devices.

Hearing assistance devices are available from the ushers.

Prelude "Come Away from Rush and Hurry" Voices Together 9

Come away from rush and hurry to the stillness of God's peace;

From our vain ambition's worry, come to Christ to find release.

Come away from noise and clamor, life's demands and frenzied pace;

Come to join the people gathered here to seek and find God's grace.

Welcome

Call to Worship

We come this day with our joys, our sorrows, our doubts, and our faith. We bring our questions and ponder the mystery of our living God.

We gather this day seeking signs of God's presence among us. May we sense the holy and recognize the sacred in the music as we worship.

In the stillness of this morning and in the light of this day we bring our prayers and praise.

In the dark of our night and the burdens of our journey may we receive peace and unfaltering belief.

In this time and in this place, we seek God. In the quiet and in the clamor, we long to hear God.

Let us pause on this Sabbath for rest and reflection, for relationship and renewal, for reconciliation and restoration. In our time together may we bring the fullness of our lives and listen for the reassuring whisper of God. Come Lord Jesus come.

Opening Prayer

* Songs of Gathering

"All Who are Thirsty"

Voices Together 49

"Far Above the Noise of Life"

Voices Together 625

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

Voices Together 141

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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.

October 10

Attendance 84

(Hope 67; Zoom 13; Zoom recorded 4)

Offering \$7,130

Year-to-date \$166,721

Spending plan year-to-date \$197,115

Working Men of Christ - \$100

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 leaders: Lori Miller, Galen Fast, Annette Chlumsky
Hopeful Blues: Galen Fast, Rod Kremer, Leon Greaser, Eldon Chlumsky, Laurie Regehr
Worship tech: Michelle Jantz
Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston

Upcoming Worship Events

October 24 Worship at Camp Mennoschah

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (October 17-23)

Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Bible Study via Zoom
 The Bible Unwrapped: Making Sense of Scripture Today
 -7:00 pm Worship Commission

Wednesday -Hope Friends meal (Chili night)
 -6:45 pm Youth group
 -6:30 pm Witness & Outreach
 -7:00 pm Choir

Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible study via Zoom
 Dear White Peacemaker: Dismantling Racism with Grit and Grace

Saturday -4:00 pm Church retreat begins-Camp Mennoschah



- *Pre-1st: Room 8/9
- *Elementary: Room 7
- *Youth: No class October 10 or 17.
- *Adults: Working Men of Christ information & sharing

Coffee preparation next week: church retreat



Mower this week: Jim Blakely

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (October 24-30)

Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Bible Study
 The Bible Unwrapped: Making Sense of Scripture Today
 -7:00 pm Vision Council

Wednesday -Hope Friends meal (pulled pork)
 -7:00 pm Choir

Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible study via Zoom
 Dear White Peacemaker: Dismantling Racism with Grit and Grace

Fri/Saturday -1-5 pm Card making in the library

Guests and visitors last Sunday: Jim Yoder & Joyce Roads; Brayden & Isaiah Guerra; Bambi Hanson; Wendy

Pastor Dave will be on vacation October 11-18. He'll be back in the office on October 19. Please contact a deacon or the church office for pastoral concerns.

The October 8 Issue of Anabaptist World is available on the front table. Several articles focus on creation care and resources. Pick up a copy today.

Sandwich Saturday cookies – We need 25 dozen. Sign up if you are willing to help out.

Worship Series this fall. “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 worshiping 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 **today**.

Our annual church retreat has been confirmed for the Retreat Center at Camp Mennoscah on October 23(afternoon)-October 24(brunch). You have until **today** to RSVP. Please fill out the form & payment and return to the church office or email your reservation. Forms are available on the front literature table. The worship service on Sunday will begin at 10 am and be followed by a brunch. There will not be a worship service at Hope.

Art for Sermon on the Mount Series: The Sermon on the Mount is an important text among Mennonites. It is central to Mennonite theology. It is also extremely familiar to our ears. That’s both good and bad. Because it is central to our understanding of following Jesus, it is important to have it well in mind. But, words, words

that we know so well, sometimes are harder to really hear. This is where we found ourselves when we were asked to create art for a fall series on the Sermon on the Mount.

How to do justice to a key text? How to do something visual with a text, the power of which is carried in the words themselves? How to visually format three chapters in a way that will be a threshold into hearing, seeing, in new and faithful ways?

The design of what you see this morning is based on the Mark carpet page from the Lindisfarne Gospels, an illuminated manuscript from the early 700s in the north of Britain. The words and phrases you see were chosen (after considerable study and prayer) to succinctly, and faithfully, convey Jesus' words of instruction and encouragement to live the reign of God. Our hope is that over the weeks of the series, different words or phrases will stand out, allowing you to hear, to consider, to see, to live more deeply into this text so core to our understanding of the reign of God. Joanna Pinkerton and Leslie James.

Working Men of Christ will be observing its 10th Anniversary on Saturday, **November 6** at 7:00 pm at Grace Revolution Church, 812 S. Oliver. We look forward to sharing how lives have been changed over the past 10 years. Join us for delicious desserts and our silent auction. If you wish to provide an "auction basket" or funding for a basket, please contact Shannah at 316-925-2365. Please visit our website: workingmenofchrist.org to purchase your tickets (\$25).



A huge thank you to all who have made contributions to Working Men of Christ which help with returning citizen. To date, \$11,410 has been collected toward our goal of \$12,000. Only \$590 to go.

The Kansas Department of Corrections hosts trainings 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. Contact Marcus Loganbill for more information.

The Craft Bazaar committee has been diligently considering options for our 2021 bazaar. Because of the yet unsettled situation with Covid cases, we believe it is in everyone's best interest to offer an alternative to our usual bazaar format this year. We are SO looking forward to next year when we *believe, hope, pray, and plan* on returning to our typical bazaar to celebrate our 25th!

So...we are offering a couple of alternative opportunities this year.

1. Like last year, there will again be pre-rolled peppernut dough rolls available for purchase. More details will be coming later.

2. Our new option for this year will be pre-ordered meals available for pick-up either on Saturday late afternoon, November 13 from 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. or Sunday, November 14 after worship (10:45?) until 1 p.m. The meal will consist of a bowl of chicken noodle soup, a sausage sandwich, chips, and a piece of pie (**cherry, dutch apple, or pecan**). The meals will be packaged as whole meals – so the only choice you have to make is what kind of pie you prefer. There will be a sign-up sheet for you to order the number of meals you want on Sunday, October 10 and Sunday, October 17. You can also email the church with your order. **The deadline for ordering will be Friday, October 22nd.** **The meals will be “sold” by donation only. All proceeds will be donated to Camp Mennoscah and Family Promise.** Please talk to any committee member if you have questions: Leona Adrian, Katie Chlumsky, Renetta Gooden, Emily Regehr, Tiffany Regehr, Connie Luty, or Laurie Regehr.

Prayer for the wider church

...Give thanks for gifts received by Western District Conference's Hope Fund, bringing encouragement to congregations and leaders impacted by the pandemic and natural disasters.

...Pray for Mennonite Mission Network's Switzerland Partner-Bienenberg Theological Seminary, a seminary rooted in the Anabaptist-Mennonite tradition, committed to social responsibility, peace and reconciliation and their Ukraine Partner, Odessa Theological Seminary.

Sharing Praises and Prayers

October 10, 2021

Work of the Church

- * The Working Men of Christ 10th anniversary Gala is on November 6. It will be an evening of desserts and testimonies, as well as a silent auction on themed baskets. If you want to help with a basket, please contact Connie Luty.
- * The Discipleship Commission is looking for some volunteers to be a set of extra hands with the pre-1st grade Sunday School class. No prep involved. Contact Cynthia Loganbill if you are able to help.
- * Please place your hymnals in the racks with the spines up! There will be less damage to the paper and if something gets spilled it won't ruin the book.