



Hope Mennonite Church  
9:30 A.M. Worship  
November 7, 2021  
Sermon on the Mount series  
Jesus' Program for Living #3

Gathering to Worship
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*As we gather for worship, please silence all electronic devices.  
Hearing assistance devices are available from the ushers.*

Prelude

Welcome

"Bound for Jubilee" Joyce Elaine Eilers

Men's Ensemble

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

Friends, we gather as people formed by praise—praise to the God who does wonderous things in our midst. We gather to celebrate God's steadfast love, which endures forever.

**We gather to praise as people who taste and see that the Lord is good, who proclaim that God is holy, who have received purified hearts, who need the Lord's strength, who desire a closer walk, who will not be shaken, who are thankful.**

We praise the God who walks beside us all the days of our lives, who will never leave us lost or alone, who guides us to a future with hope.

**We praise the God who inspires us and empowers us to live and love like Jesus.**

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\* Songs of Gathering

"To God Be the Glory"

Voices Together 84

"You Are Exalted"

Voices Together 86

Hearing God's Word
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Children's Story

Amy Bellar

Scripture reading

Matthew 5:33-37

"God Be In My Head" John Rutter

Choir

Responding to God’s Word

\*“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”      Voices Together 156

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings  
    Offertory  
    Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greeting our Guests (Please pass the attendance pads)

Seeing and Seeking God  
    Family Promise presentation  
    Work of the Church  
    Sharing our Praises and Concerns

Prayer of God’s People

Sending

\*“Gentle Shepherd, Come and Lead Us”      Voices Together 718

Benediction      “The Prayer of St. Francis”      Rene Clausen      Choir

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We are glad you are joining us for worship this morning, either in person or via Zoom. The recording is available Monday-Thursday. This is First-Fruits Sunday. Thank you as always for your faithful giving, and for sharing your time, talents, and energy in the ministry of Good News!

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Mike Voth  
Pianist: Ruthie Goering  
Song leader & choir director: Kendrick Weaver  
Scripture reader: Mike Mayta  
Worship tech: Randy Pinkerton  
Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston

Upcoming Worship Events

November 14      Remembrance Sunday  
November 21      Communion  
November 28      First Sunday of Advent – “Dare to Imagine”

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Church Office Hours

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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](http://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 31

Attendance 104

(Hope 82; Zoom 22; Zoom recorded 0)

Offering \$8,665

Year-to-date \$169,696

Spending plan year-to-date \$201,923

Working Men of Christ - \$355

*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 (November 7-13)

- Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Bible Study via Zoom  
*The Bible Unwrapped: Making Sense of Scripture Today*
- Wednesday -6:00 pm Hope Friends meal  
-6:45 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*
- Saturday -5-6 pm Craft Bazaar meal pickup



- \*Pre-1<sup>st</sup>: Room 8/9
- \*Elementary: Room 7
- \*Youth: Room 3 with Marcus Loganbill
- \*Adults: "What is the Church and why does it exist?" led by Cynthia Loganbill. We will delve into the origins of the church, exploring the identity and calling of the body of Christ in Scripture and in church history, and learn about the Christian practices that shape the church and how our understanding of church might change in light of the life of the church through the centuries.

Coffee preparation next week: Todd & Debbie Kasitz



Mower this week: Grant Bellar

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-1-4 pm Youth group Friendsgiving
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Guests and visitors last week: Jodi Ihaza; Monica Gross & Alejandro Arce-Gross

Thank you for all the cards, communications and caring (including flowers) in the passing of my dad, Raeburn M Howard. He was a seemingly unremarkable man but when you see your wife and kids so emotionally torn up about their father-in-law and grandpa's death you know that is not the case. It brings me tears of joy and sorrow knowing that we all loved him so much and that he will be missed. Thanks, Steve & Vicki Howard family

Thank you so much for thinking about my mom and our family. The past year has been challenging but it has also given our family time to heal, grieve and remember. The flowers were lovely, such a nice thought. Many thanks to all for remembering our family. Dave & Sharon Morford (Sharon's Mom's memorial service was on October 16)

Anabaptist World offer - Hope receives 8 copies of Anabaptist World. If you are interested in a \$39 yearly home subscription through the church plan, please contact the office by **November 21**.

Craft Bazaar meal: If you ordered a meal(s), please pick it up on Saturday, November 13, 5-6 pm or Sunday, November 14 10:45-noon.

Extra song books – We were able to donate the remainder of our blue hymnals to Crystal Springs Mennonite Church, Harper, KS. There are still plenty of Sing the Story, Sing the Journey, and Renew copies available (extra boxes under the table). Help yourself and make a donation if you wish to do so.

Hopeful Blues – There are Hopeful Blues CD's available for purchase for \$12.

Taste of Hope IV cookbooks are available for sale – only \$5.

God's Creation 2022 calendars – These calendars are sold as a fundraiser by the youth group. Cost is \$8.

All items are in the fellowship hall. Please place your payment (or song book donation) in the appropriately marked envelope in the basket.

If you did not get a chance do sign a dove for our newest Hope banner and still wish to do so, please contact the church office no later than this week.

Next week, we will debut our new bulletin covers. Our bulletin cover service ended over a year ago, and we have been using up what we had left. Thanks to Leslie James for her suggestion for our new design.

2021 Advent devotionals: The Worship Commission is offering an adult and a children's option for this year. Please sign up on the bulletin board by **November 14**.

Our youth group will be coordinating Sandwich Saturday on **December 4**. They will continue their annual tradition of distributing warm winter gloves along with the sack lunches. The major need is for men's gloves.

You are invited to a Mission Supper drive-thru on November 13, 5-7 pm at First Mennonite Church, 427 W 4<sup>th</sup>, Halstead. Menu: smoked sausage, chicken borscht, zwieback, green beans, cookie. Donation to benefit the Neighbors Store and missionaries: Dave & Rebekka Stutzman-Germany and Joseph & Rachel Givens-France. **Note**: With the retirement of Mary Raber, our mission partner to Ukraine, Mennonite Mission Network has invited us to support Joseph & Rachel Givens in the ministry in France. Look for more information on our new mission partner family in a future newsletter.

#### Prayers for the wider church

...Pray for Western District Conference's Pastors' Day Apart on November 13, that the Holy Spirit would guide participants and presenter Sara Wenger Shenk in exploring the theme, *Tongue-Tied: Is Talking About Faith a Lost Art?*

...Pray for Deborah Byler who began serving in San Pedro Carcha, Guatemala in 2018. By invitation of the National Mennonite Church of Guatemala, Deb focuses on the spiritual growth and leadership development among the women leaders in the Kekchi Mennonite Church. Her home congregation is Hively Avenue Mennonite Church, Elkhart, IN.

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A huge thank you to all who have made contributions to Working Men of Christ which help with returning citizen. To date, \$11,765 has been collected toward our goal of \$12,000. Only \$235 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.

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Hallelu, Hallelu, I am on my way, bound for Jubilee!  
Oh my brother, won’t you come with me?  
Oh my sister, you must come today.  
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Or the Devil might come and take you away  
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My Lord’s callin’, I must go with Him.  
Can’t you hear Him callin’ you today.

### **God Be In My Head**

God be in my heard and in my understanding.  
God be in mine eyes and in my looking.  
God be in my mouth and in my speaking.  
God be in mine heart and in my thinking.  
God be at my end and in my departing.

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Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.  
Where there is injury help me to pardon.  
Where there is doubt, let me bring faith.  
Where there is despair, let me bring hope.  
Where there is darkness, let me bring light.  
Where there is sorrow, let me bring joy.

O Lord, master divine,  
grant that I not so much seek to be consoled, as to console,  
to be understood as to understand;  
to be loved, as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,  
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For in dying we are born to eternal life.

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