



Hope Mennonite Church
January 29, 2023
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

“Reveal Your Mystery” Anna Loewen

Choir

*Call to Worship

To worship is to stand in awe under a heaven of stars,
before a flower, a leaf in sunlight, or a grain of sand.

**To worship is to be silent, receptive,
before a tree astir with the wind,
or the passing shadow of a cloud.**

To worship is to work with dedication and with skill,
it is to pause from work and listen to a strain of music.

**To worship is to sing with the singing beauty of the earth;
it is to listen through a storm
to the still small voice within.**

**Worship is the mystery within us
reaching out to the Mystery beyond.**

*Songs of Gathering

“Summoned by the God who made us”

Voices Together 1

“Praise with Joy the World’s Creator”

Voices Together 428

Hearing God’s Word

Scripture reading

Psalm 19:1-4a, Ephesians 3:14-21

“Be Thou My Vision” Bob Chilcott

Choir

Message “Making Visible” Joanna Pinkerton & Leslie James

Responding to God’s Word

*“Lord, You Sometimes Speak”

Voices Together 537

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greeting our Guests (Please pass the attendance pad)

Seeing and Seeking God

Work of the Church

Sharing our Praises and Concerns

Prayers of God's People

Sending

*"There are Many Gifts"

Voices Together 374

* Benediction

Voices Together 1050

From where we are to where you need us;

Jesus, now lead on.

From the familiarity of what we know
to the wonder of what you will reveal;

Jesus, now lead on.

To transform the fabric of the world
until it resembles the shape of your kingdom;

Jesus, now lead on.

Because good things have been prepared
for those who love God;

Jesus, now lead on.

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A warm welcome to all who have chosen to worship with us this morning in person or on Zoom. The YouTube recording becomes permanently available on Monday. A special thank you to Joanna Pinkerton & Leslie James for our worship this morning.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Lori Miller

Pianist: Vicki Howard

Song leader & choir director: Trae Gehring

Scripture reader: Lori Miller

Worship tech: Galen Fast

Zoom host: Lee Schmucker

Upcoming Worship Services

February 5

Peter Goerzen

February 22

Ash Wednesday service 6:30 pm

Stay in Touch with Hope

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Church Office Hours

Randy Tuesday-Wednesday 9:00 am-4:00 pm

Monday, Thursday – work from home

Cynthia Monday-Thursday 9:00 am-1:30 pm

Kim Friday 9:00 am-1:00 pm

Staff meeting Tuesday 9:30 am

Hope on Facebook: Follow the link at 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.

January 22

Attendance-87

(Hope-70; Zoom-17)

Offering last Sunday \$3,423

Year to date - \$11,412

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 (January 29-February 4)

- Today -Fellowship meal following congregational meeting
Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Bible Study (library and zoom)
"Jesus and Women in the 1st Century and Now"
Wednesday -7:00 pm Choir
Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible Study (zoom only)
"Unsettled Truths" by Mark Charles
Saturday -Sandwich Saturday (need 15 dozen cookies)
Coffee preparation next Sunday: Randy & Joanna Pinkerton



NURSERY (birth through age 4)

Today: Jordon & Emily Regehr
Next Sunday: Clinton & Katie Chlumsky
February 5: Donovan & Laurie Regehr



Prek-1st: Room 8/9 downstairs
Middle School: Room 7 downstairs
Adults: Congregational meeting

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (February 5-11)

- Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Bible Study (library and zoom)
"Jesus and Women in the 1st Century and Now"
Wednesday -5:30 pm Discipleship Commission
-7:00 pm Choir
Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible Study (zoom only)
"Unsettled Truths" by Mark Charles

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Guests & visitors last week: Kevin, Taylor, Hudson, Riley Sechrist; Gary & Carol Pope

Pastor Randy is on vacation through February 7. He'll be back in the office on February 8. Please contact the church office or a deacon for pastoral concerns.

Our annual congregational meeting will be held today during Sunday school. There are annual meeting booklets by the mailboxes. Everyone is invited to stay afterwards for a fellowship meal with chili provided by Care & Nurture.

If you are interested in the Lent devotional for this year, "Trust in the Lord," please let the church office know by next Sunday, **February 5.**

Choir texts

“Reveal Your Mystery”

Rend the heavens, Lord, and come down
to the people who call to you.
We are anxious, we live in fear.
We wait to see what you will do.
Like the farmer watching rain clouds,
Like the mother with labour pains,
Like refugees missing their homes,
We year deeply for your return.

Chorus:

Reveal your mystery, reveal your wholeness.
Reveal your beauty and come down to use.
O reveal your love, o reveal your joy.
O reveal your hope. Shine into our world.

Make a straight road for God to walk.
See his kingdom is close at hand.
The messiah comes for the poor.
Bringing Good News throughout the land.
To bind up the broken hearted.
To bring freedom to the captives.
To provide for those in mourning.
In the year of the Jubilee.

Throughout hist'ry God had a plan.
For His wisdom to be revealed.
Holy prophets and the apostles.
Only now see what was concealed.
We share the same promise God made.
We share the same body of Christ.
We share the same inheritance.
For the whole earth, Gentiles and Jews.

“Be thou my vision”

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art.
Be thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word;
Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord.
Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son;
Be thou in me dwelling and I with thee one.

Be thou and thou only the first in my heart.
O sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.
Great heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be thou my vision, Ruler of all.

Beginning this week, Joanna Pinkerton will be painting the mural in the children's nook in the library. Check out the progress each week. When completed, two small bean bags will be added.

The Pastor Congregation Relations Committee (PCRC) will conduct a congregational survey in February and March. Kathy Goering Reid has agreed to continue advising through this process and will prepare the final report. 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.

Group interviews will take place during the Sunday School hour in February/March. Members of the Pastor Congregation Relations Committee (PCRC) will conduct the interviews with the help of three recorders. Members of PCRC are, Bob Stolze, Lee Schmucker and Myron Regier. Recorders are Renetta Gooden, Margaret Wiebe and Delaine Stolze.

Please note the following schedule for the group surveys:

Women's Bible study groups, Tuesday & Thursday group –
February 19.

Vision Council and Young Adults (college age - under 40) –
February 26.

All others – **March 5.**

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, 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 February. Paper copies of the survey questions will also be available in the church office.

Prayers for the wider church

...Pray for wisdom and insight for the Western District Conference Executive Board, as it implements action steps growing out of its anti-racism audit completed last year.