

Hope Mennonite Church  
February 12, 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

\*Call to Worship

The Psalmist reminds us God's laws are faithful and true.

**They make people wise.**

God's laws are true and pure.

**They serve as a gift to guide our lives.**

God's promises are more desirable than gold.

**They are sweeter than honey!**

Let us come before God with thanksgiving!

\*Songs of Gathering

"Jesus Calls Us"

Voices Together 30

"O Worship Our God, All Glorious Above"

Voices Together 74

Hearing God's Word

Scripture reading

Matthew 5:21-26, 33-42

"Seek Ye First"

Voices Together 417

"You have heard it said"

Lori & Elisha Miller

Message

"Rule/Role of Law"

Randy Quinn

Responding to God's Word

\*"Gentle God, When We Are Driven"

Voices Together 150

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

\*"Renew Your Church"

Voices Together 717

\* 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 YouTube recording becomes permanently available on Monday.

### Worship Participants

Worship leader: Lori Miller

Pianist: Amy Bellar

Song leader: Lowell Birkey

Scripture reader: Jim Voth

Poem: Lori & Elisha Miller

Worship tech: Mike Voth

Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston

### Upcoming Worship Services

February 22

Ash Wednesday service 6:30 pm

February 26

Lent 1

April 6

Maundy Thursday



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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](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.

February 5

Attendance-80

(Hope-66; Zoom-14)

Offering last Sunday \$6,988

Year to date - \$20,994

Spending plan year to date - \$30,000

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 (February 12-18)

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

Coffee preparation next Sunday: Scott & Connie Luty



## NURSERY (birth through age 4)

Today: Lee Schmucker, Lori Regier

Next Sunday: Val & Mike Mayta

February 26: Shelby & Tyler Kaufman



Prek-1<sup>st</sup>: Room 8/9 downstairs

Middle School: Room 7 downstairs

Adults: Community Peacemaker Teams - sanctuary

## MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (February 19-25)

- Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Bible Study (library and zoom)  
"Jesus and Women in the 1<sup>st</sup> Century and Now"  
-7:00 pm Vision Council  
Wednesday -6:30 pm Ash Wednesday service  
Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible Study (zoom only)  
"Fight Like Jesus: How Jesus Waged Peace  
Throughout Holy Week"

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Guests & visitors last week: Jeff & Deb Kroeker; Peter Goerzen;  
Rose Wiebe Haury; Tavian & Cruz Graber

**Today,** Julie Brown, Outreach Coordinator for Community Peacemaker Teams will be speaking in adult Sunday School class. CPT teams are invited to work in conflicts occurring around the world. The teams work to support and amplify the voices of local peacemakers who risk injury and death by waging nonviolent direct action to confront systems of violence and oppression. Please make it a priority to attend and learn how we as individuals and as a church might continue to support CPT.

The Dessert Auction will be held during fellowship time. Bid often, bid high! All proceeds go to our Scholarship Fund for youth

attending Mennonite institutions of higher learning. *Cup of Hope* will also be offering coffee, tea and hot chocolate with proceeds going to Fall Festival 2023.

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 Stolzle, Lee Schmucker and Myron Regier. Recorders are Renetta Gooden, Margaret Wiebe and Delaine Stolzle.

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.

Check out the progress of Joanna Pinkerton's children's nook mural today. When completed, two small bean bags will be added.

Halstead Mennonite Church invites you to their annual Verenike Supper on February 25, either drive-thru 4-5 pm or dine-on 5-7 pm. Proceed go to local mission projects. A flyer has been posted on the bulletin board with more details.

The February 10<sup>th</sup> issue of *Anabaptist World* is available on the front table. The issue dedicates space to racial justice.

All women are welcome to join either the Tuesday morning OR Thursday evening Bible Study group during Lent. Both groups will be studying the book, *Fight Like Jesus: How Jesus Waged Peace Throughout Holy Week*, by Jason Porterfield. For the Tuesday morning group, this seven-week study will begin on Feb. 28 at 10:00 am and will be held concurrently on Zoom and in-person in the church's library. The Thursday evening group study will begin Feb. 23 at 7 pm and it will meet only on Zoom. The cost of the book is \$14. *If you are currently not attending one of the groups and plan on joining the Fight Like Jesus study, please sign up through the church office, and if you need a book ordered, please indicate that also.*

In a world where violence is spiraling out of control, the book, *Fight Like Jesus: How Jesus Waged Peace Throughout Holy Week* is an urgent call to rediscover Jesus, the Prince of Peace. For those who think 'peace' might be mild or meek, flimsy or weak, author Jason Porterfield unpacks Jesus' embrace of a radical peace. Built on a faithful biblical exposition, this book inspires and equips today's courageous peacemakers to fight like Jesus. Only as peacemakers can Christians truly be the salt and light that God intended. Dive deep into this compelling story of a week in the life of Christ and you will be changed, for good.

#### Prayers for the wider church

...Pray for Western District Conference chaplains, pastors and congregational care teams who offer support to church and community members living with mental, emotional, and physical health challenges.