



Easter 2

Hope Mennonite Church
April 16, 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

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord.

The Lord is holy in all his ways.

God is holy, enthroned on the praises of his people.

Praise the Lord our God; holy is he.

God has called us with a holy calling,

to be holy and blameless before him in love,

not because of what we have done,

but because of his own purpose and grace.

As God who called us is holy,

we ourselves must be holy in all conduct,

for it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

*Songs of Gathering

"Come, We That Love"

Voices Together 31

"In Thee Is Gladness"

Voices Together 666

Hearing God's Word

Scripture reading

I Peter 1:3-9

"Truth Be Told"

Randy Quinn

Message

"Living beyond Easter"

Randy Quinn

Responding to God's Word

* "Blessed Assurance"

Voices Together 435

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greeting our Guests (Please pass the attendance pads)

Seeing and Seeking God

Work of the Church

Sharing our Praises and Concerns

Prayers of God's People

Sending

*"My Hope Is Built"

Voices Together 621

*Benediction

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A warm welcome to all who have chosen to worship with us today in person or on Zoom. The Zoom recording on YouTube is available starting on Monday.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Lowell Birkey

Pianist: Amy Bellar

Song leader: Galen Fast

Scripture reader: Margaret Wiebe

Worship tech: Randy Pinkerton

Upcoming Worship Services

April 23 Preaching text – I Peter 1:17-23

April 30 Preaching text – I Peter 2: 19-25



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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 & updates on church life.

First Fruits Giving

Giving the first and best of what we are given
as a worship response to God.

April 9

Attendance-121 (Hope-107; Zoom-14)

Offering last Sunday \$2,999 Year to date - \$64,720

Spending plan year to date - \$75,000

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

Hope Mennonite Church Statement of Welcome and Inclusion

We believe all people are created in God's image and we covenant to accept, respect, and love one another as we seek to follow Jesus. We gather around God's table as an open and affirming congregation, embracing all people to full participation in the life and ministry of our church regardless of age, race, marital status, sexual orientation, economic status, gender identity, citizenship, ability, ethnicity, or any other factor subject to discrimination or exclusion in our world. We recognize and give thanks for the diverse opinions among us and are united as we strive to model a community of faith offering justice, peace, love, and compassion in the name of Christ.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (April 16-22)

Tuesday -7:00 pm Vision Council, PCRC, Pastor Search

Wednesday -7:00 pm Choir



Mower this week: Travis Cox

Coffee preparation next Sunday: Bob & Delaine Stolze



NURSERY (birth through age 4)

Today: Val & Mike Mayta

Next Sunday: Donna Heide, Lori Regier

April 30: Eldon & Annette Chlumsky



*Prek-1st: Room 8/9 downstairs

*Middle School: Room 7 downstairs

*Young adults: Class resumes on April 16. "Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws" led by Pastor Randy. Room 3 downstairs.

*Adults: Witness & Outreach (see announcement)

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (April 23-29)

Monday -7:00 pm Worship Commission

Saturday -All day reserved event

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Guests and visitors last week: We had 18 guests and visitors who joined us last Sunday

Children's nook: We are proud to announce that the new mural in the library is now complete. We invite you to take a look and enjoy all that Joanna Pinkerton has painted for us. We encourage you, especially the kids, to pick up a "Can you find it" checklist and see if you can discover all of the animals, reptiles, insects, bird and flowers that are there. Copies of the check list are by the mural. And while you are there, you are encouraged to take a look at what our library has to offer and check something out.

The April 14 issue of *Anabaptist World* is available on the front literature table. The lead articles focus on spirituality and children. Former member, Jennie (Warkentine) Wintermote is one of the authors. Pick up a copy today, as well as past issues.

Adult Sunday School today: Witness and Outreach will host their last Sunday highlighting Hope's ministries this morning. The committee would value congregational feedback on past presentations and opinions regarding our ministries. This will be a time to discuss current and future ministries of Hope Mennonite Church and our budget.

There is additional information about the April 20 workshop at **Chapel Hill United Methodist** on "Rethinking Justice". Please pick up a flier and information and consider signing up. For more information, see Marcus Loganbill, Brenda Glanzer Lilliston or visit <https://thedartcenter.org/wichita>.

See Marcus Loganbill if you have interest in Hope's Hospitality Team - a great way to share the joy of being a part of our faith community with new faces each Sunday.

We are putting the spring - fall calendar together for help with the Memorial Garden and other beds around the church. Work consists of watering potted plants, weeding, dead-heading, etc. Please see Marcus Loganbill if you would be willing to be on our rotation (two weeks at a time). If weeding and digging in the dirt is your therapy, then Hope Gardens have enough to put you in a state of Heavenly Bliss all summer long!

Two ministry opportunities: Two work projects are being scheduled this spring and you are invited to participate. On Saturday, **April 22**, Marcus Loganbill will organize grounds/landscaping projects with multiple tasks. On Saturday, **May 6**, join a Hope and Working Men of Christ group to work at Camp Mennoscah in preparing the facility for the summer camping season. Contact Marcus for further information.

Sandwich Saturday update Due to some changes to the area around St. John's Episcopal, the number of people served on Sandwich Saturday has decreased. Beginning in May, we will only make 100-110 lunches to distribute. That also reduces the number of cookies needed from 25 dozen to 21 dozen. Please take a look at the Sandwich Saturday calendar and consider signing up for one of the many months left, as well as cookies. We especially need people/groups to take the summer months. Thanks for being a part of this continued ministry.

Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus has two singers from Hope this year - Lowell Birkey and Marvin Schmucker. Hear them sing on Sunday, **April 16**, at 7:00 PM, Richert Auditorium, Tabor College, Hillsboro, Kansas or Sunday, **April 23**, at 7:00 PM, Memorial Hall, Bethel College, North Newton, Kansas. The chorus motto is: "We sing that others may live!" Offerings go to support the relief efforts of Mennonite Central Committee.

All Western District Conference women are invited to join a virtual event sponsored by Western District Women in Mission on Tuesday, **April 25**. Jenny Gehman, spiritual director, retreat speaker, and writer, will present on "Holy Host: the Hospitality of God." Join us in person or virtually. Our in-person gathering will be at First Mennonite Church in Newton, Kansas, beginning with a salad potluck at 6 p.m. followed by Jenny joining virtually from Pennsylvania at 6:45 p.m. There is no cost, but please register by April 23 by emailing westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com so you can receive a Zoom link if joining virtually. Please email your RSVP if attending in person and bring a salad to share. For more information, contact Wendy Schrag at 316-841-5245.

Youth ages 12 to 17 are invited to be a Junior Volunteer at Kidron Bethel Village in North Newton or Schowalter Villa in Hesston June 1 through July 28. Junior Volunteers help facilitate activities with residents in health care and/or assisted living, including playing games, reading, going on walks and more. An application is required and must be submitted by May 10. Spaces are limited. Proof of complete COVID-19 vaccination series required. For application, contact 620-327-4821 or shelleyl@bluestemks.org.

Prayers for the wider church

...Pray for Western District Conference congregations seeking faithful ways to care for God's creation and practice environmental stewardship.

...Pray for the Youth Venture program and participants. Youth Venture sends teens and young adults, 15-22, on short-term service and learning experiences. The locations in 2023 are Benin, Indonesia, and in the United States.

...Pray for Mennonite Mission Network partners in Nigeria: Nigeria Anabaptist Peace Center, Nigeria Mennonite Church with 45 congregations divided into 5 dioceses.