

Hope Mennonite Church July 2, 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

O God, we come seeking you in our worship together.

We come to you for the truth, because we are untrue.

We come to you for strength because we are weak.

We come to you for wisdom because we are unwise.

Move in our midst, show us your truth, your strength and your wisdom, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

*Songs of Gathering

"Come, Now Is the Time to Worship"

#29

"Soon, and Very Soon" (Heidi K Greenwood Doell)

#669

Hearing God's Word

Scripture reading

Matthew 10:40-42

"Longing for Light"

#715

Message

"You are Welcome"

Heidi K Greenwood Doell

Responding to God's Word

*"This Is My Song"

#710

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

*"Sing a New World into Being"

#809

*Benediction

A warm welcome to all who have chosen to worship with us today in person or on Zoom. The recording on YouTube is available starting on Monday. A very special welcome to Heidi K Greenwood Doell, our summer interim preacher. We are delighted she is with us during Pastor Randy's vacation July-August.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Renetta Gooden

Pianist: Laurie Regehr Song leader: Galen Fast

Scripture reader: Joanna Pinkerton

Worship tech: Scott Luty

July 16

Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston

Upcoming Worship Services

July 9 Preaching text: Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Preaching text: Matthew 13:18-23



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 & updates on church life.

First Fruits Giving

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

June 25

Attendance-92 (Hope-77; Zoom-15)
Offering last Sunday \$4,082 Year to date - \$106,235
Spending plan year to date - \$130,000

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 com-passion in the name of Christ.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (July 2-8)

Saturday -9 a.m.-noon Vacation Bible School for ages 3-7



Mower this week: Randy Graber

Coffee preparation next Sunday: Care & Nurture



NURSERY (birth through age 4)

Today: Lori Regier

Next Sunday: Mike & Val Mayta
July 16: Annette & Eldon Chlumsky

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (July 9-15)

Sunday -Summer brunch (please sign up)

-11:45-2:30 Vacation Bible School for ages 3-7

Guests and visitors last week: Edward Corkins

<u>Next Sunday</u>, the Care and Nurture Commission is planning a brunch following worship. Please sign up if you plan to attend and bring a bread item to share.

The PCRC (Pastor Congregation Relations Committee)

appreciates the input received so far in the Congregation review. For those who may have missed one or both, the newsprint notes are available for review for the next few weeks. They are in the Fellowship Hall on the moveable wall. This summer, those notes will be turned into a set of potential priorities. All through the summer you will be invited to add your personal comments to the list, including suggestions to implement as well as why you think a particular priority is important to have. We will invite everyone to join another set of congregational response times in September.

Hope delegates: Michelle Jantz & Renetta Gooden will be representing Hope at the MCUSA convention in Kansas City, July 7 & 8. **** Our annual Western District Conference gathering will be August 11-13 at Tabor Mennonite Church, Newton. We are entitled to send 8 delegates. All costs will be covered by Hope. If you have questions or interest in representing Hope, please contact the church office.

<u>This summer</u>, the Worship Commission invites you to share your favorite hymn or scripture passage during our worship services. From July 9 through August 27, time will be set aside for one person to share. You may take 3 to 5 minutes to share why it's meaningful to you, and if you choose to share a hymn, the congregation will close the time by singing it. If you're interested, please contact the church office with the dates you're available.

A "Mini" Vacation Bible School is being planned for Saturday July 8, 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and Sunday, July 9, 11:45 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. All Hope Children, aged 3-7 years of age, are welcome to attend! Grandchildren of Hope attenders are also welcome. The theme will be "Exploring God's Creation Together", and activities will include crafts, story time, singing of songs, snacks and recreation. The number of children is limited 15 and the cost is \$5 per child. Please contact the church office to sign-up your child/grandchild. The Mini VBS is being hosted by a group of Hope grandparents and all additional grandparents are welcome to assist as well. Please contact Laurie Regehr, Annette Chlumsky, Shirlyn Graber or Connie Luty with questions.

Hope will be hosting our Family Promise families from August 6-12. If you have been trained, please circle those dates. Melanie will be sending a communication soon to make sure that we have all "active volunteers" on our database. If you still wish to be trained and are not sure how to go about it, please see Marcus Loganbill or Travis Cox.

Prayers for the wider church

- ...Pray for delegates and other adults, youth and children from Western District Conference attending MennoCon23 in Kansas City this week, as they join in fellowship, learning and discernment together with others from Mennonite Church USA.
- ... On July 4 the United States celebrates Independence Day. As followers of Jesus, let us live out the biblical call to interdependence, realizing our deep need for one another, so that "if one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it" (1 Corinthians 12:26, NIV)
- ... Mission workers, who have spent years in a media ministry in the Middle East, ask us to pray that Christians will be protected, as they boldly share about the deliverance and abundant life that Jesus brings