

Hope Mennonite Church

August 13, 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

With eyes to see,  
**And ears to hear,**  
With lips to sing,  
**And hands to help,**  
With minds to think,  
**And feet to move,**  
Let us worship God  
***With the fullness of our being.***

\*Songs of Gathering

“We Walk By Faith” #588

“When the Storms of Life Are Raging” #595

Hearing God’s Word

A Time for Children Heidi K Greenwood Doell

Scripture reading Romans 10:14-15; Matthew 14:22-33

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand” #610

Message “Love Walks In” Heidi K Greenwood Doell

Responding to God’s Word

\*“My Hope Is Built” #621

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Special Music

Hopeful Blues

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

\*"Here I Am, Lord"

#545

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

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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.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Jim Voth

Song leader: Galen Fast

Hopeful Blues: Laurie Regehr, Galen Fast, Leon Greaser

Eldon Chlumsky, Rod Kremer

Scripture reader: Donna Bradbury

Worship tech: Mike Voth

Zoom host: Lee Schmucker

Upcoming Worship Services

August 20 Preaching text: Genesis 45:1-15

August 27 Preaching text: Exodus 1:8-2:10

Heidi's last Sunday

### 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](http://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.

August 6

Attendance- 91 (Hope-79; Zoom-12)

Offering last Sunday \$9,788 Year to date - \$137,882

Spending plan year to date - \$160,000

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 Mennonte 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 (August 13-19)

Monday -6:15 pm Camp Mennoscah board meeting-library



Mower this week: Scott Luty

Coffee preparation next Sunday: Bob & Delaine Stolzle



NURSERY (birth through age 4)

Today: Jordon & Emily Regehr

Next Sunday: Donna Heide, Lily Harder

August 27: Kevin & Taylor Sechrist

## MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (August 20-26)

Nothing schedules

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Guests and visitors last week: Wenger family; Felix Schoen; Jesse Voth-Gaeddert; Steve Nance; Joel Hood

The August 4 issue of *Anabaptist World* is now available on the front literature table. Read about MennoCon23's challenge: 'Be Transformed;' South Central Conference withdrawing from MC USA and much more.

Calling all singers...the new choir season is just around the corner with Trae Gehring in his second year of directing. If you have never sung with the choir, or you have been taking a break, please join us. There are 3 Wednesday rehearsals prior to the one Sunday a month the choir sings. If you can't make every rehearsal, that is just fine; join us when you are able. For more information, contact Cynthia Loganbill, choir liaisons.

The September-November issue of the devotional *Rejoice* is available to pick up on the front literature table.

Can you help out? Just a reminder – the hymnals should be placed in the racks with the spine up and pages down. Thanks.

A new resident directory is now available in your mailboxes. There are extras copies on the literature table. Contact the church office with any errors or discrepancies.

The PCRC (Pastor//congregation Relations Committee) appreciates the input received so far in the Congregational process for identifying priorities for the next several years.

A new set of flipcharts is posted on the moveable walls in the Fellowship Hall. These flipcharts list the potential priorities identified in the congregational review process. During July and August, please add your personal comments to the list:

- Reflect on Hope MC "Purpose" and "Welcome & Inclusion" statements: how might the congregation continue to live into these commitments?
- Add your ideas about HOW to implement each potential priority and WHY they are important.
- Markers are in a mug on the table.

In September during the Sunday School hour, congregational discernment will continue to refine and prioritize.

Pastor/Congregation Relations Committee - Myron Regier, Bob Stolze, Lee Schmucker

Two exciting women's Bible studies will start this fall. All members, visitors and friends are invited to attend one or both groups. Women of all ages are invited to join in. Find out more below about our **Tuesday** and **Thursday** studies! **The Tuesday morning Women's Bible Study begins September 12 at 10:00 am.** We will be meeting concurrently. You have the option of joining us via Zoom or in person in the church library. We will be studying the book, **A Christian View of Hospitality: Expecting Surprises (The Giving Project Series)**, by Michelle Hershberger. This book is an "oldie but a goodie." Please let the church office or Brenda Glanzer Lilliston know if you plan on attending by August 27. Since the book is out-of-print, used books will be purchased and the price will be divided among participants. The cost will not be more than \$10. **The Women's Thursday evening Bible Study will begin meeting on Sept. 14 at 7 pm on Zoom.** We will be studying Beyond Welcome: Centering Immigrants in Our Christian Response to Immigration, by Karen González. Please purchase your own book. Please let the church office or Brenda Glanzer Lilliston know if you plan on attending. More info in the August newsletter.

Take time to read the thank note from Working Men of Christ that has been posted on the bulletin board.

Thank you to everyone who was able to volunteer for Family Promise this past week. Our four families were very appreciative of all you did. We had 15 Hope volunteers filling 31 of the 60+ slots. Our next rotation will be **December 31 to January 6**. Mark your calendars. Please let us know if you would like to receive training. Training is all on-line and you keep your "trained" status for life! If you want to be a driver, let one of the coordinators know so they can assist with that process. Coordinators – Marcus Loganbill & Travis Cox -Hope; Melanie McLey & Janet Stanley-Aldersgate.

Please join us for an evening of Music and Dessert on August 27, 6:30 pm at Hope. Paul Austin & Jennifer Chlumsky (daughter-in-law of Eldon & Annette) of Salina, KS will be performing a variety of entertaining music including vocal, piano & guitar. There will be a freewill offering with proceeds going to Camp Mennoscah. Bring your family & friends.

Kidron Bethel Village and Bethel College will host "Can Our Actions Cool the Planet?", an interactive presentation and discussion on variables that impact global temperature change, at 7 p.m. on Thursday, **August 17** in Kidron Bethel Village's Kidron Hall, 3001 Ivy Dr., North Newton. The presentation will be given by Josh Kennell, a senior biology major at Bethel College. The presentation is free and open to the public.

#### Prayers for the wider church

... Give thanks for the gracious hospitality shared by Tabor Mennonite Church in hosting Western District Conference Annual Assembly this weekend, with a closing worship service and seminars this morning.

...Tomorrow, Shawna Hurst and Sam Pluta will celebrate their first day as a Service Adventure unit in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Pray for patience and grace as they get acquainted with one another; their hosting congregation, Beth-El Mennonite Church; and the communities where they will learn and serve

...Naomi Tice praises God for a new visa, which permits her to serve in Germany until 2026. She requests prayer for growth into her new role in Berlin, as a regional youth pastor and for the children, youth and young adults with whom she has the privilege of working.

Save the Date! The Women's & Girls Retreat will be **September 9 & 10** at Camp Mennoscah sponsored by Western District Women in Mission. The theme this year is "Women Talking, Listening and Creating." Come for a time of friendship, fellowship, and storytelling with Tammy Duvanel Unruh, Wendy Funk Schrag and others. Watch for registration information on the WDC website, the bulletins, and emails in the coming weeks! Follow us on Facebook: Western District Women in Mission