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Hope Mennonite Church
October 8, 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

We live in troubled times,
waiting for God's bursts of light in our dark world.
Lift up your eyes! God's justice is on the way.
Liberating God, sustain us and help us to walk in your ways.
**Free us from the chains of prejudice
and the shackles of sin.**

This is the moment to wake from sleep.
Be ready, Jesus is coming to set us free.

**Let us worship God, whose mercy promises us new life
through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen**

*Songs of Gathering

"God of Our Strength"

#47

"Blessed Assurance"

#435

Hearing God's Word

Time with Children

Randy Quinn

Scripture reading

Jeremiah 29:4-7, 11

"Seek the Peace of the City"

#206

Message

"Stepping out in Faith"

Randy Quinn

Responding to God's Word

*"Take My Life, and Let It Be"

#759

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

“In the Rifted Rock I’m Resting” arr. Lee Dengler

Choir

“When I Return (Homeward Bound) Martha Keen

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

*“The Lord Lift You Up”

#832

*Benediction

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*Please stand if you are able

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

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Kendal Warkentine

Pianist: Cynthia Loganbill

Song leader: Trae Gehring

Scripture Reader: Lori Miller

Worship tech: Mike Voth

Zoom host: Lee Schmucker

Upcoming Worship Services

October 15 Jeremy Schrag – guest speaker

October 22 Preaching text: Exodus 20:1-20

Child dedication – Leyton Regehr

October 29 10:00 am Worship at Camp Mennoscah

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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.

October 1

Attendance 91(Hope-85; Zoom-6)
Offering last Sunday \$4,790 Year to date - \$171,293
Spending plan year to date - \$200,000

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 (October 8-14)

- Today -CROP walk with lunch at the park
- Tuesday -10:00 am Women’s Bible study – hospitality
- Thursday -7:00 pm Women’s Bible study – immigration



Preschool: Room 8/9 downstairs
 Elementary: Room 2 downstairs
 Middle School: Room 7 downstairs
 Adults: Peppernut baking



Mower this week: Jerold Heide

Coffee preparation next Sunday: Randy & Joanna Pinkerton



NURSERY (birth through age 4)
 Today: Eldon & Annette Chlumsky
 Next Sunday: Donovan & Laurie Regehr
 October 15: Greg & Leah Shelly-Unruh

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- Thursday -cabbage cooking for bierocks
 -7:00 pm Women’s Bible study – immigration
- Friday -Bierock baking day

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Guests and visitors last week: Ron & Linda Headings; Holly Liechty; Neil & Ellen Lehman

Annual Church Retreat

WHO: YOU! Everyone is welcome!

WHAT: Come to worship, pray and play! Fellowship, food, long walks, exploring camp, food, activities, campfire, s’mores, singing, worship service, and more food will be part of the weekend.

WHEN: Saturday, October 28, 4 pm to ?????? through overnight.
 Sunday, October 29, 10 am – 2 pm.

WHERE: Camp Mennoscah, Murdock, KS, Retreat Center (think clean Motel 6, not roughing it in cabin!)

The deadline to register is Monday, **October 23**. Registration forms are on the front literature table.

Returning Citizen care kits help meet basic needs of former prisoners. As we continue the support of the Home of Jeremiah (Working Men of Christ) you are invited to participate in this project. There are lists of the care kit items on the front table. You can purchase an entire kit or individual items. There will be a bin in the fellowship hall where you can place your items. The deadline is **October 15**. More information is outlined in the October newsletter.

Bethel College Women's Association (BCWA) welcomes donations of baked goods and pies for Fall Festival. Bring homemade fruit pies, poppyseed roll, zwieback, cinnamon rolls, or other treats to room 140 in Luyken Fine Arts Center from **2-5 p.m. Friday, October 13 or 7-9 a.m. Saturday, October 14**. All proceeds will benefit Bethel College. Questions? Email bcwa@belhelks.edu.

KMRS QUILTER'S CORNER FALL SALE - October 13-14, 2023, Friday 9-5 and Saturday 9-3, at MCC, 121 E. 30th Street, North Newton, KS. There will be lots of great quilt-related items available for purchase with all the proceeds going to the work of Mennonite Central Committee. Questions? Contact Rose at 316-288-0079 or Ann at 919-604-3282

Listening Gatherings concerning local justice issues are underway at Hope in partnership of 40+ faith communities banded together by the DART (Sedgwick County Multifaith Justice) organization. **Hope everyone can attend your invited meeting time to share your story and hear more about this organization.** The DART Organization network is comprised of 31 affiliated organizations in 10 states. Kansas has 4 other DART affiliates in Lawrence, Topeka, Kansas City and Johnson County. Southern Hills Mennonite is involved in the Topeka affiliate. This organization is rooted in diverse faith traditions, who find common ground in values of justice and fairness. Since 1982, DART has trained over 10,000 community leaders and 270 professional community organizers, who together have greatly impacted their communities. Through the years, various affiliates worked on impactful solutions for their community concerning affordable housing, improving public transportation, job training, expanding health care, criminal justice and public education.

Kidron Bethel Village will host its annual Country Breakfast from 7 to 10 a.m., Saturday, **October 14**, in Kidron Hall (3001 Ivy Dr., North Newton). Enjoy pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee and orange juice by donation. Proceeds benefit the Health Care Benevolent Fund, a ministry of Kidron Bethel Village, assisting residents who are unable to cover the full cost of their care.

Hoffnungsaue Mennonite Church, 43 13th Avenue, Inman, will hold its annual Sausage Mission Supper on Saturday, **October 21**, 5:00 – 6:30. This will be a curbside pickup meal featuring our traditional menu of German sausage, mashed potatoes with gravy, creamed peas, zwiebach, applesauce and pie. This year we will have picnic tables out for anyone wanting to stay and eat their meal! Cost will be a free will offering with all proceeds going to support Camp Mennoscah M & M project. Call or text Barb (620-543-6863) or Eric (620-899-6972) to order meals.

Prayers for the wider church

...Give thanks for Bethel College as it celebrates its annual Fall Festival next weekend, and pray for Western District Conferences members who are students, faculty and staff at the college.

... Tomorrow is Indigenous People's Day. Pray for Mennonite congregations as they acknowledge that many Mennonites of European descent were among the first to move onto land from which Indigenous Peoples were forcibly removed. May these congregations search for ways, in conversation with their Indigenous neighbors, to repair the harm done.

...Pray for all mission workers in Nepal, especially for Nepali missionaries working in remote settings.

CHOIR TEXTS

"In The Rifted Rock I'm Resting"

In the rifted rock I'm resting, safely sheltered, I abide.

There no foes nor storms molest me while within the cleft I hide.

Now I'm resting, sweetly resting, in the cleft once made for me.

Jesus, blessed Rock of ages, I will hide myself in thee.

Long pursued by sin and Satan, weary, sad, I longed for rest.

Then I found this heav'nly shelter opened in my Savior' breast.

Peace beyond my understanding, joy the world can never give,

Now in Jesus, I am finding, in his smiles of love I live.

“When I Return (Homeward Bound)”

In the quiet misty morning, when the moon has gone to bed,
When the sparrows stop their singing,
and the sky is clear & red.

When the summer's ceased its gleaming,
when the corn is past its prime.

When the journey's lost its meaning,
I'll be homeward bound in time.

Christ, my one Lord and Master, Guide each step of my way.
There shall be no greener pastures when I return to You one day.

As You find it's me You're missing, as You wait for my return,
To Your voice I will be list'ning, n the road I'll stop and turn.
Then the wind will set me racing as my journey nears its end,
And the path I'll be retracing when I'm homeward bound again.

Hope Mennonite Fall Festival - November 4

9 am – 2 pm

And, as always, we need your help! There will lots of ways to get involved – baking for the bake sale, helping bake peppernuts, browning meat/onions for bierocks, grilling sausage, working in the kitchen the day of, helping at the kids' booth, and of course, prayer for the event to bring honor to God and assistance to those in need beyond our walls. Here are key dates with basic information. PLEASE feel free to talk with any committee member if you have questions or need more information.

- **Sunday October 8** – pick up meat/onions and instructions to brown for bierocks. Also, we will take congregational pre-orders for bierocks. We will have a limited number available for first-come, first-served orders in our congregation (limit one dozen for pre-orders). We will not be advertising pre-orders outside of Hope. We will also have bierocks available for lunch on that day but don't plan to sell them in bulk the day of the sale at this time (pending how many get made!).
- **Sunday, October 8, 15, and 22** – peppernut baking during Sunday School
- **Sunday, October 15** – deadline for returning meat to church **AND** deadline for pre-orders (call or email church office).

- **Friday, October 20** – bierock baking (if you pre-ordered bierocks they must be picked up at church between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. that day)
- **Sunday, October 15 and 22** – sign up to work on the 4th
- **Friday, November 3** – Bring donated baked goods to church between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. (or bring them Saturday morning)
- **Saturday, November 4** – Bring your friends and families and come have breakfast and/or lunch and enjoy the day – and enjoy A Cuppa Hope coffee! s
- **Sunday, November 5** – Celebration Lunch at church – everyone is invited!

Fall Festival Committee: Leonadrian, Katie Chlumsky, Renetta Gooden, Shelby Kaufman, Connie Luty, Emily Regehr, Laurie Regehr, Tiffany Regehr