

Hope Mennonite Church
November 5, 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 gather as beloved children of God.

We are each chosen. We are each delightful.

We are all servants upheld by God and filled with God's Spirit
to bring forth justice.

**We each receive our breath from the same God who
stretched the heavens and spread out the Earth.**

God holds each hand.

God keeps each heart.

God opens our eyes

to see the new things about to spring forth.

Let us listen.

Let us watch.

Let us worship.

*Songs of Gathering

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns"

#101

"Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah"

#95

Hearing God's Word

Presentation of Bibles

Scripture reading

Ruth 1:1-17

"Bless the Arms That Comfort"

#527

Message

"Returning from Death to Life"

Randy Quinn

Responding to God's Word

*"Nothing Is Lost on the Breath of God"

#653

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

Remembering the Saints

Prayers of God's People

Sending

*"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

#606

*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. The recording on YouTube is available starting on Monday.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Natalie Hand

Pianist: Ruthie Goering

Song leader: Lowell Birkey

Scripture Reader: Kloie & Hailey Boese

Worship tech: Scott Luty

Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston



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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 29

Attendance 47 – Camp Mennoscah
Offering last Sunday \$6,667 Year to date - \$182,296
Spending plan year to date - \$220,000

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.

Upcoming Worship Services

November 12 Preaching text: I Kings 18:17-39

November 19 Preaching text: Isaiah 5:1-7, 11:1-10

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (November 5-11)

Today -Fall Festival celebration lunch

Monday -7 pm Worship Commission

Tuesday -10:00 am Women's Bible study – hospitality
-7:00 Vision Council

Wednesday -7 pm Choir

Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible study – immigration



*Preschool: Room 8/9 downstairs

*Elementary: Room 2 downstairs

*Middle School: Room 7 downstairs

*Adults: Joanna Pinkerton will share insights and slides from the Celtic Pilgrimage she went on in June 2023.



Mower this week:

Coffee preparation next Sunday



NURSERY (birth through age 4)

Today: Kevin & Taylor Sechrist

Next Sunday:

November 19:

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Guests and visitors October 22: Ron Headings; Jeremy Schrag;
Connie & Kevin Schrag; Rachel & Nile Burgess

New mailbox: Ron & Linda Headings

The November 3 issue of *Anabaptist World* is available on the front table. There are several articles by staff writers who traveled to lesser-known parts of the Anabaptist world. Pick up your copy.

Thank you to all who participated in our listening sessions at Hope. We had 65 participants and 47 individuals join Hope's Justice Network chapter. Thanks for your time and the thoughts that you shared. The first collective meeting of the multi-faith justice network will be **THIS Thursday, November 9th, from 6PM - 8PM, at First United Methodist Church (330 N Broadway, Wichita).** Please mark your calendars for this important meeting and register to attend ASAP. We will name our justice ministry organization, vote on the top two priorities that will be the focus of our justice work this year, and announce the next steps we will take together! Childcare is available. Please register to attend and cast your preliminary ballot at tinyurl.com/firstjusticeassembly Even if you are unable to attend, you can register and cast a preliminary ballot.

Our own Shenise Weimer is the new director of the Hesston Community Child Care Center. Check out the newspaper article on the bulletin board.

Adult Sunday School – “Inside the Disciple’s Studio” is returning to next week...November 12 – Lowell Birkey & Randy Quinn; November – Travis & Charity Cox. Come and listen to them as they share their spiritual journeys with us.

Prayers for the wider church

... Pray for Western District Conference's Israel Palestine Task Force, and for WDC congregations that are engaged in advocacy for peace and justice for all who suffer war and violence.

... On this All-Saints' Sundays, remember those who laid the groundwork for the ministry carried on by Mennonite Mission Network today. These earliest missionaries went to India in 1899. Praise God for their faithfulness and for those around the world who continue to say yes to God's call to share the good news of Jesus Christ.

... People of many faiths will join the Apache Stronghold to pray for the preservation of Oak Flat, in Arizona, a place of religious significance for many Indigenous Peoples. The United States government gave mining rights to Resolution Copper, whose techniques will destroy the land. Join in the prayer to protect the land and the water for the benefit of all people in the region.