

Palm Sunday

Hope Mennonite Church March 24, 2024 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	
First Scripture Reading	Mark 11:1-11
Songs of Procession "Jesus Is Coming" "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"	#312 #313
Time with Children	Randy Quinn

Reconciling with God and One Another

Prayer of Confession

When we get caught up in embracing the world's power,

forgive us.

When we lose sight of the humble donkey

and put our trust in horses of war,

forgive us.

When we begin to get sucked into the darkness of the "now," bring us once again the peace of looking toward the "not yet."

Silent Prayers of Confession

Words of Assurance

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us. **Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone; a new life has begun.** Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace. **Amen.**

Hearing God's Word				
Second Scripture Reading		Mark 14:3-9		
"Bless the Arms That Comfort"		#527		
Message	"An Invitation to Weep"	Randy Quinn		
	Responding to God's Word			
*"We Sang Our	⁻ Glad Hosannas"	Insert		
The Giving of o Offertory Prayer of Th				
Seeing and Seeking God Work of the Church Sharing our Praises and Concerns				
Prayers of God's People				
Sending				
*"In Christ Alon	e"	#332		
*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. This year during Lent, we will follow Mark's description of the journey Jesus takes toward the cross. We will experience a series of invitations Jesus makes as we learn what it means to follow him. On Maundy Thursday we will offer a reminder of the many meals Jesus shared throughout his life. On March 31, we will celebrate our traditional Easter feast, around the table as we celebrate the new life that is ours because of Jesus.

Worship Participants
Worship leader: Jim Voth
Pianist: Cynthia Loganbill
Song leader: Galen Fast
Djembe: Eldon Chlumsky
Scripture Reader: Vicki Howard
Worship tech: Michelle Jantz
Zoom host: Lee Schmucker

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Church Office Hours				
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Staff meeting Tuesday 9:30 am				
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Hope on Facebook: Follow the link at hopemennonite.org and "like"				
Hope Mennonite Church to see pictures & updates on church life.				
		uits Giving		
Giving		est of what we are given.		
March 17				
Attendance-(Hope; zoom 16)				
Offering last Sunday \$3,146				
Year to date - \$36,521				
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Hope offers an electronic option of giving through Tithely .				
Contact the church office for instructions.				
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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
March 28	6:30 pm Maundy Thursday: Mark 14:22-42
March 31	Easter Sunday: Mark 16:1-8
April 7	Tammy Duvanel Unruh – guest speaker

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (March 24-30)

Today -Noon Pastor Congregation Relations Committee

- Tuesday -10 am Women's Bible Study-Psalm 27:1-14
 - -7:00 pm Vision Council
- Wednesday -7:00 pm Choir

Thursday -6:30 pm Maundy Thursday meal and service

*Preschool: Room 8/9 downstairs

*Elementary: Room 2 downstairs

sundayschool

*Middle School: Room 7 downstairs

*Adult Sunday: We live in stressful times with a lot happening in our world and personal lives. Have you ever wondered what the Bible has to say about stress? While "stress" is not specifically mentioned in the Bible, Scripture has a lot to say about anxiety, worry, fear, and trouble – which are all things we associate with stress. So, since it is virtually impossible for us to avoid stress, we will look at both Biblical principles as well as other strategies that can help us live with it as part of our daily lives. The class will be led by Laurie Regehr

Coffee preparation next Sunday- Care & Nurture



Mower this week: Randy Pinkerton



<u>NURSERY</u> (birth through age 4) Today: Shelby & Tyler Kaufman Next Sunday: Val & Mike Mayta April 14: Jordon & Emily Regehr

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<u>Guest & visitors last Sunday</u> – Marcia Weaver; Lois Birkey; Mallory & Kalynn; Lois Briles & Mike Peters; Kathy Neufeld Dunn Wendy Schrag <u>The image</u> on the bulletin this week was created by artist Linda Metsker, of Augusta, who graciously granted permission for its use.

<u>You are invited</u> to our Maundy Thursday service, **March 28**, 6:30 pm. We will begin with a simple meal followed by worship. Please bring sandwiches to share. **Sign up** so that the appropriate tables and chairs can be set up.

<u>We will conclude</u> Easter worship with our traditional Easter feast. You are invited to bring either breads or fruit to share. The bread should be cut; the fruit should be washed and both should be ready to serve.

CARE AND NURTURE EVENTS

You asked for it, so here it is - More social and fellowship time together!! In the spirit of Easter time, we are "resurrecting" a Hope Friends evening. This will be Wednesday, **April 17** at 6:00 pm. Please sign up on the bulletin board so we can plan for the meal of Mexican delights. Choir, you plan to meet that night, so come early and enjoy the meal. For those not in choir, please come for dinner and stay to visit, bring a craft to work on, or bring a game to engage with someone. We hope to see you there!

Please mark your calendars for Thursday, **April 25** at 6:30 pm. The evening will focus on "Eating to Promote Mental and Physical Health." This evening is open to the congregation and any friends and family you wish to invite. Four of our congregational members will share actions they have taken in modifying their dietary habits to improve their health. It will be educational, positive, and enlightening as we listen to ideas to minister to your health and well-being. Innovative snacks will be served for you to sample with the recipes provided. Be curious and brave! Please signup for tis event. Contact Annette Chlumsky or Treva Greaser if you have any questions.

<u>MCC Sale T-shirt booth</u> needs volunteers sign up by following this link: <u>2024 T-Shirt Booth Signup</u> Shifts are available Friday (**April 12**) between 2:30 - 8:00 p.m. and Saturday (**April 13**) 7:30 a.m. -3:00 p.m. Generally, volunteer shifts are two hours. Trouble signing up – contact Michelle Jantz at <u>micjantz@yahoo.com</u> <u>Women & Girls Save the Date!</u> "Edimental Gardening for Every Growing Space," featuring Renata Goossen will be sponsored by Western District Women in Mission at Faith Mennonite Church, Newton KS on Friday, **April 19**. The schedule is: 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. Browse and purchase plants from Renata's Plant Bus. Bring a salad to share for supper to start at 6 p.m. The evening program, 6:30 - 7:30, will feature music by Prairie Highway and Renata speaking on her topic of edimental gardening, plants that are both edible and ornamental. Follow us on Facebook and Instagram for more details about the evening schedule and or other WDWM activities.

> Mid-Kansas Relief Sale April 12-13 "Sowing seeds of hope, sowing seed of love" I Corinthians 13:13 State Fair grounds, Hutchinson, KS

* My Coins Count: We will be collecting coins (and bills) during our regular offerings during the month of March. **Currently we have donated \$107. Last year's total was \$598.**

- * Pie tins and bread bags will be provided for Hope's donations of pies and zwieback.
- * Donations of cookbooks, crafts & Quilter's Corner items can be placed in the basket in fellowship hall.
- * Volunteer at Hope's T-shirt booth; sign up via SignUp Genius.
- * April 6: verenike making in Hillsboro; bohne berrogi making in Moundridge.
- * MCC Sale Children's Auction Consider donating new, inthe-package, items to this year's auction! Talk with the youth in your church to see what items they would like to bid on, but you can never go wrong with Hot Wheels, Barbie, board games, Lego sets, art kits, and sports equipment. Items may be given to your MCC Liaison for delivery to Sale.
- * If you are interested in any kind of volunteering, please visit https://kansas.mccsale.org/volunteer/

There are informational flyers on the literature for you to pick up/.

For further information on any of the above items, talk to Margaret Wiebe, our MCC contact representative.

Prayers for the wider church

... Pray for God's presence, joy and wisdom to be with Western District Conference staff as they gather for a staff retreat.

...On this Palm Sunday, let us follow Jesus in his unwavering path toward the cross, the ministry to which God called him. Pray for all who serve and partner with Mission Network in places where walking in Jesus' way brings risk of persecution

... Joseph and Rachel Givens accompany volunteers at the Maria Skobtsova House in Calais, France. Pray for them as they offer shelter and hope to people passing through France on their journeys from Africa and the Middle East to the United Kingdom. The Givens are our mission partners.

> Sharing Prayers & Praise March 3, 2024

^{*} Delaine Stolzle shared that Bob's quadruple bypass surgery went well. He is recovering and healing but has a lack of energy. They would appreciate your continued prayers.

THE GRACE OF JESUS CHRIST

2111 We Sang Our Glad Hosannas



MUSIC: John D. Horman

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