Hope Mennonite Church August 25, 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

*Call to Worship

Psalm 100

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

For the Lord is good and his love endures forever: his faithfulness continues through all generations.

*Songs of Gathering

"To God Be the Glory"

#84

"Jesus Calls Us"

#30

Hearing God's Word

Scripture Reading

Psalm 34:11-18; 1 Peter 3:13-18

"Come. Thou Fount"

#563

Message

"Reason to Hope"

Sara Dick

Responding to God's Word

*"In Christ There Is No East or West"

#390

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greeting our Guests (Please pass the attendance pads)

Vacation Bible school sharing & blessing school kits

Seeing and Seeking God

Work of the Church

Western District Conference sharing Sharing our Praises and Concerns

Kendal Warkentine

Prayers of God's People

Sending

*"Go, My Children"

#830

*Benediction

*Stand as you are able

A warm welcome to all who have chosen to worship with us this morning in person or on Zoom. The theme verse is

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Mike Voth, Hudson & Logan Regehr

Pianist: Vicki Howard

Song leader: Lowell Birkey

Scripture reader: Connie Luty & Tavian Graber

Worship tech: Michelle Jantz

Zoom host: Barb Voth



Stay in Touch with Hope

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Church Office Hours

Sara Dick This week: Tuesday 9-1 pm; Friday noon-4 pm

Cynthia Monday-Thursday 9 -1:30 pm

Kim Friday 9-1 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.

August 18

Attendance 126 (Hope 117; zoom 9)

Offering \$2,226

Year to date \$136,954

Spending plan year to date \$165,000

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

September 1 To Hope and Act with Creation series begins

September 13 Guest speaker

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (August 25-31)

Today -Family Promise hosting week begins (do not set up

before noon)

Monday -7:00 pm Music Committee

Wednesday -7:00 pm Choir

Coffee preparation next Sunday – no coffee due to holiday



Mower this week: Jerold Heide



NURSERY (birth through age 4) Today: Lori Regier, Amy Bellar Next Sunday: Val & Mike Mayta

September 8: Shelby & Tyler Kaufman

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (September 1-7)

Wednesday -7 pm Choir

Saturday -Sandwich Saturday

-Fellowship hall reserved all day

<u>Guests & visitors last Sunday:</u> Rick & Jill Weaver; Meribeth Buhr; Madelyn Guerra; Ainsley Crew; Jalane Schmidt and Mimi Arbett; Angelo Aldridge; Rita Schmidt; Fortesa Hysenaj

<u>Beginning next Sunday</u>, we will be joining Christians all over the world in marking the Season of Creation. The series "To Hope and Act with Creation" is a resource developed by the Climate Justice Ministry of Mennonite Church USA and created to support congregations as they seek justice and peace for all creation.

The new choir year begins on August 28. There are 3 rehearsals a month and the choir sings one Sunday a month. Trae Gehring is back as our director. Come when you are able and we invite all interested to join. If you have questions, talk to Cynthia Loganbill.

<u>Care & Nurture news:</u> On September 8, the new playground will be dedicated. We will have a kid-friendly picnic style lunch to commemorate the fun. Meat, chips and beans will be provided. We are asking the congregation to help by bringing a vegetable or fruit side dish or dessert (**NOTE:** those items only) Please sign up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall or contact the church office.

Women & Girls! Western District Women in Mission invites you to our annual retreat **September 7-8** at Camp Mennoscah! Bring a friend! Theme: Peaceful Practices with Kristine Regehr as our keynote speaker. Girls' Programming for 5th grade - high school with Janna Duerksen. Find a brochure and registration form at https://www.westerndistrictwomeninmission.org/register. Deadline is August 30.

Prayers for the Wider Church:

...As the sun sets on another day, let's welcome the gift and blessing of tomorrow. Let's pray and be thankful for the opportunities to build relationships and share the love of Christ. Let's pray for resolve and encouragement along with perseverance to keep trying. Let's pray for our leaders and those called and willing to church plant and support church planting across WDC. Let's be thankful for a new day! -WDC Church Planting Commission

...This summer, Youth Venture (YV) participants traveled to Benin and South Korea to learn about what God is doing through Mission Network partners in these two countries. Pray that hosts and participants would be able to put into practice the new understandings they have gained about God's global church through their YV encounters.

...The vision of Colombia Mennonite Church (IMCOL) is to have its ministries grow out of its 25 congregations, as they become the hands and feet of Jesus in their communities. Pray that IMCOL will realize its goals of strengthening its Anabaptist identity and organizational capacity.