Hope Mennonite Church November 17, 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

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands!

Serve the Lord with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the Lord is God!

It is he that made us, and we are his;

we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him, bless his name!

For the Lord is good;

his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

*Songs of Gathering

"Could It Be That God Is Singing"

#42

"Hold On!" arr. Eugene Simpson "Stand On The Rock" Kirby Shaw Open Road

Hearing God's Word

Children's Time

Katie Chlumsky

"Away But Never Gone" Nicky Mehta

Woven

"How Can I Keep From Singing" arr. Robert Hugh

Responding to God's Word

#4

^{*&}quot;Christ Is Our Cornerstone"

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory "From This Valley" Abby Deckert & Jacob Schrag
Prayer of Thanksgiving

"Sing me Up to Heaven" arr. Keith Christopher Woven "Nearer, my God, To Thee" arr. James L Stevens Open Road

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

"Roll, Jordan. Roll" arr. Tate

Woven & Open Road

*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. A very special welcome to Woven & Open Road, acapella groups from Bethel College. Following worship, Care & Nurture will be serving brunch to the group.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Natalie Hand

Pianist: Ruthie Goering Song leader: Galen Fast Worship tech: Michelle Jantz

Zoom host: Kendal & Marjie Warkentine

Upcoming Worship Services
November 24 Christ the King Sunday
December 1 First Sunday of Advent
December 8 Second Sunday of Advent

Stay in Touch with Hope

Hope Mennonite Church phone 722-0903 868 N. Maize Rd. fax 722-5173

Wichita, KS 67212 www.hopemennonite.org

Interim Pastor

Sara Dick (316) 821-0577 pastor@hopemennonite.org

Secretaries

Cynthia Loganbill 721-8807 secretary@hopemennonite.org
Kim Voth 721-1250 secretary@hopemennonite.org

Church Office Hours

Sara Dick This week: Tuesday 9-1:30 pm; Thursday 9-1 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.

November 10

Attendance 110 (Hope 95; zoom 15)
Offering last Sunday - \$5,135
Year to date \$185,897

Spending plan commitment \$260,000

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 (November 17-23)

Tuesday -2:00 pm Women's Bible study

Luke in the Land: Walking with Jesus

-7:00 pm Vision Council

Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible study: Jesus takes a

side: Embracing the Political Demands of the Gospel

-7:00 pm Worship Commission

Coffee preparation next Sunday – Joanna Pinkerton



NURSERY (birth through age 4) Today: Justin & Tiffany Regehr

November 24: Jared & Natalie Regehr

December 1: Val & Mike Mayta



*Preschool: Room 8/9 downstairs *Elementary: Room 2 downstairs *Middle School: Room 7 downstairs

*Adults in the sanctuary: to be announced

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (November 24-30)

Tuesday -9:30 am Christmas decorating fellowship hall

Thursday -Office close

Saturday -10 am-9 pm Reserved event

* * * * *

<u>Guests & visitors last Sunday:</u> Samuel & Jessica Agoitia family; Abe Turner; Tanner Delgado & Kaytlan Keargh; Sharon Stucky; Jerald & Eileen Stucky; Stephanie & Jay Gehring

<u>Hope is organizing</u> a work day at Camp Mennoscah (Retreat Center) on Sunday, November 24.8 am - 2:30 pm with carpooling from church at 7 am. Please bring your own sack lunch and drinks. Contact Marcus Loganbill if you are interested in helping out.

<u>Care and Nurture</u> would like to invite anyone who loves decorating for Christmas to join us Tuesday, **November 26** at 9:30 a.m. We will be putting up the tree, wreaths, and bows to transform the Fellowship Hall into the spirit and love of Christmas. Coffee and yummy treats will be served to entice you, to keep up your energy, and enjoy fellowship while working together! If you have any flexible time, we would love and appreciate your help!

<u>Sunday</u>, <u>December 8</u>, is our annual congregational potluck holiday meal together. As it turns out, four out of five of our Care and Nurture members are out of town with family events. We are looking for 5 to 6 volunteers to help set up tables and chairs, receive the food, set up the serving line, make coffee, and clean up. If this piques your interest and you could help serve your fellow Hope members and guests, please email, text, or call Annette Chlumsky by December 1. Thank you for considering this opportunity!

<u>First Mennonite Halstead</u> invites you to their Mission Supper on Saturday, **November 23**, 5-7 pm. Menu: German sausage, chicken borscht, fried potatoes, green beans, sauerkraut, zwiebach & pie. Meal by donation to benefit missionaries Stutzmans (Germany), Givens (France), Woodward-Breckbills (Paris Mennonite Center), as well as The Neighbors Store (Halstead). Check out the flyer on the bulletin board.

<u>The November issue</u> of *Anabaptist World* is available on the front table. The lead articles center around the experience of small churches.

All bakers and craft makers are invited to make items for 5 Places of Christmas on Saturday, December 7, from 10:00 - 3:00 at Goerz House, Bethel College. Bethel College Women's Association will again be selling baked goods, candy, craft items and poinsettias. Your homemade cookies, zwiebach, cinnamon rolls, peppernuts and poppyseed rolls are always great sellers. This year we are especially asking for homemade candies such as fudge, peanut clusters, peanut butter balls and peanut brittle as well as non-chocolate candies. We are also lookina Christmas craft items to sell. Please bring your items to Goerz House on Friday, December 6, from 2:00-5:00pm or on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 9:30-10:00am. Thank you for your support of Bethel College.

<u>Get your tickets</u> now for *Girl Named Tom's* Christmas show at Wichita's Orpheum Theater on Friday, December 6, 202 at 7:30 PM. To avoid ticket scammers, it's best to purchase your tickets in person at the Intrust Bank Arena ticket office, 500 E. Waterman Street.

Sharing Prayers & Praise November 10, 2024

*

Work of the Church

- * Vision Council will be meeting later this month and will discuss monitor options as well as preparing for the December 8 congregational budget meeting.
- * Our next Family Promise hosting week is December 1-8. Look for the SignUp Genius link next week.
- * Grace Parker Sutter gave an update on last Thursday's Justice Together gathering. The focus on mental health in 2024 has resulted in positive progress and Kansas rose from 51st to 27th in this area. In 2025, there will be continued work with homeless and well as looking at affordable housing.
- * Laurie Regehr & Connie Luty reported on the great success of the Craft Bazaar via the poem "Twas the day after the Bazaar." They expressed their deep gratitude for the many, many people involved in all aspects of the Bazaar. First estimates of the money raised for mission projects is \$11,000. Laurie Regehr also expressed appreciation for Pastor Randy & Rhonda Quinn who were the right people at the right time for Hope and for Pastor Sara Dick who is the right person for this time.
- * Margaret Wiebe shared that the Quilter's Corner was able to raise \$500 for MCC.
- * Pastor Sara highlighted the article by Isaac S. Villegas in the current issue of *Anabaptist World*.

For seven years, Hope Mennonite has been a host congregation for Family Promise. If you would like to become a volunteer for FP, the procedure is quite simple. Go to familypromisewichita.org; find "Get Involved" and click on "volunteer". Fill out the volunteer form, find the "training enrollment link" and then take two on-line training courses - 101 and 102. Upon completion of those trainings, you are trained for life! There are possibilities for in-person training as well. During our host weeks, we need volunteers to: bring meals, spend time over supper with our guests, spend the night, set up

rooms, do laundry, and drive to and from the day house. Please see Marcus Loganbill if you have questions.

Prayers for the Wider Church:

- ... Pray for chaplains in Western District Conference who are serving in hospitals, hospice, health-care communities, educational institutions, corporate settings and other organizations. Give thanks for their gifts of healing and care, and pray for God's peace and presence to sustain them daily.
- ... Pray for Laura Rodriguez, the new Canada SOOP coordinator, as she supports volunteers. Pray also for Stephanie Weaver, support administrator for Mission Network, as she takes on additional SOOP program responsibilities.
- ... Pray that God will continue to strengthen the leadership of the Nigeria Mennonite Church and help the church's Bible college impart knowledge to students, leading them into a deeper commitment to following Jesus.