



Epiphany

Hope Mennonite Church
January 5, 2025
Nurturing Faith
Epiphany
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

Jesus, grant that we may learn from you as long as we live,
that we would mature in wisdom and years.

Just as you listened and questioned, grant us humility
that we would sit among the teachers.

We look to you, Emmanuel,
Jesus, teach us how to learn.

Lighting the Christ Candle

Bethany Gipson

*Songs of Gathering

“Love Has Come”

#258

“Arise, Your Light Is Come!”

#273

Hearing God’s Word

Time with the Children

Annette & Eldon Chlumsky

Scripture Readings

Luke 2:41-52; Psalm 2:7-8

“What Child Is This”

#267

Message

“New Year, New Growth”

Sara Dick

Responding to God’s Word

*“Angels, from the Realms of Glory”

#265

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

First-Footing Prayer (a practice of Celtic Christian faith)

Sending

*"Go Tell It on the Mountain"

#252

*Benediction

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*Stand as you are able

A warm welcome to all who have chosen to worship with us this morning in person or on Zoom. Today is Epiphany, the celebration of the manifestation of Jesus to the world.

Worship Participants

Worship leaders: Mike Voth, Logan & Hudson Regehr

Pianist: Ruthie Goering, Marlene Habegger

Song leader: Steve Pankratz

Scripture reader: Justin Regehr

Candle lighting readers: Mike Voth, Leah Shelly-Unruh

Worship tech: Scott Luty

Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lillistons

Upcoming Worship Services

January 12 Star sharing

January 19 Anabaptist World Fellowship Sunday

Child dedication

January 26 Anabaptism at 500



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Church Office Hours

Sara Dick This week: Tuesday 9-4 pm; Thursday 1-9 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.

December 29

Attendance 75(Hope 61; zoom 14)

Offering last Sunday - \$28,868

Year to date \$283,426

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 (January 5-11)

Monday -7 pm Music Committee
Wednesday -8 pm Choir
Thursday -7 pm Worship Commission

Coffee preparation next Sunday – Jerold Heide



NURSERY (birth through age 4)
Today: Donovan & Laurie Regehr
Next Sunday: Clinton & Katie Chlumsky
January 19: Mike & Val Mayta



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

*Adults in the sanctuary: Caring for the Climate: Moving from Anxiety to Action led by Kendal Warkentine. We will be using materials from the Anabaptist Climate Collaborative the first two Sundays. Our first session will be on Climate, emotions and denial. The second session will focus on how climate change impacts our lives. The third and fourth Sunday's will be focused on what steps we, as individuals, can take to care for ourselves and God's creation.

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (January 12-18)

Tuesday -7 pm Vision Council
Wednesday -7 pm Choir

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New mailboxes: Jeremy & Victoria Koop; Ryan & Brenda Henneberg

The 2025 "Sharing Our Hope" banner was made by Twila Blakely. It also commemorates our 40th anniversary year.

The January 2025 issue of *Anabaptist World* is now available on the front table. This larger special edition kicks off the celebration of 500 years of Anabaptism. There are two historical articles, five articles on core tenets of Anabaptism – believers baptism, community, discipleship, peace and religious liberty – from a 21st century perspective, and much, much more. Pick up your copy today.

Did you order an Anabaptist Bible? The soft & hard covers have arrived and are in the back office with your name on your copy(ies).

Vision Council is thrilled to announce the formation of the **Creation Care Committee**, a new initiative dedicated to promoting environmental stewardship and sustainability within our church community. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Michelle Jantz at moderator@hopemennonite.org by **January 6**.

Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) is calling for volunteers to help host the 2025 MDS Annual Celebration **February 14 – 15**, at the Ridgepoint Church, 8000 W 21st St, in Wichita, KS. MDS is celebrating 75 years of disaster recovery work, which began right here in Kansas. Volunteers are needed to help with meals, welcome and hospitality, driving shuttle vans between hotels and church, and helping with meeting room preparation. Please contact Eldon or Annette Chlumsky for more details. The deadline is January 11.

Prayers for the Wider Church:

...Give thanks for the faithful prayers, financial gifts and participation of Western District Conference members in supporting conference and congregational ministries this past year, and pray for generous contributions to WDC as the conference completes its fiscal year in January.

...In this New Year may God's love and light radiate through Mission Network personnel and partners, as they serve on six continents. God, help each of us use the gifts you've given us to be your hands and feet this year, in our neighborhoods and around the world.

...This month, SOOP (Service Opportunities with Our Partners) has placed 29 volunteers in Arizona and Florida. Pray that these SOOPers will be a blessing, as they serve vulnerable populations for two weeks to four months.