



Emmaus Road: Breaking Bread (Luke 24:13-35)

MATTHEW REGIER

Hope Mennonite Church
February 9, 2025
9:30 am Worship
Known and Seen in the Breaking of Bread

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 adapted from Voices Together 459

Let the hungry come to the table.

Let the poor be fed!

Let the thirsty come to drink.

Share my wine and bread.

The table is set.

Come and eat.

Drink from the cup freely offered to you.

Share the life of God!

*Songs of Gathering

“Here in This Place”

#10

“Holy Spirit, Come with Power”

#57

Hearing God’s Word

Time with the Children

---Ruthie Goering, Ruth Harder, Jesse Graber and Menno Simons

Scripture reading

Luke 24:13-35

“The Bread We Break Is Telling”

#466

Message

“ Communion in the Wild”

Ruth Harder

Responding to God’s Word

*“Word and Sign”

#483

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

Prayers of God's People

Celebrating Communion

Blessing, Breaking, Sharing

Invitation

#947

Sending

*"I Am the Bread of Life"

#480

*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. We continue with our worship series on the theme of renewal as we commemorate the five hundred years of Anabaptism. Today we are delighted to welcome Ruth Harder, our pastoral candidate and her husband, Jesse Graber.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Lori Miller

Pianist: Amy Bellar

Song leader: Galen Fast

Scripture reader: Clinton Chlumsky

Worship tech: Mike Voth

Zoom host: Lee Schmucker

Upcoming Worship Services

February 16

Guest speaker – Cleo Koop

March 5

Ash Wednesday



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Church Office Hours

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

February 2

Attendance 100 (Hope 88 Zoom 12)

Offering last Sunday \$4,947

Year to date \$12,053

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 (February 9-15)

Wednesday -7:00 pm Choir

Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible study: Jesus takes a side: Embracing the Political Demands of the Gospel

Coffee preparation next Sunday – Greg & Dawn Epp



NURSERY (birth through age 4)

Today: Jared Regehr, Clinton Chlumsky

Next Sunday: Donna Heide, Lily Harder

February 23: Mike & Val Mayta



*Preschool: Room 8/9 downstairs

*Elementary: Room 2 downstairs

*Middle School: Room 7 downstairs

*Adults in the sanctuary: Inside the Disciple's Studio with Ruth Harder and Jesse Graber

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (February 16-22)

Monday -7:00 pm Music Committee

Tuesday -7:00 pm Worship Committee

Thursday -7:00 pm Women's Bible study: PRONE TO WANDER: A Lenten Journey with Women in the Wilderness by Joanna Harader.

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Visitors & guests last Sunday: Linda Nye

The February issue of *Anabaptist World* is available to you on the front table. The series of articles this month inspires hope and action as we see what others are doing and imagine what might be possible with our own hands in our own communities.

The March-June issue of the devotional *Rejoice* is available on the front table. Pick up your copy today.

Hope congregation I wanted to take a moment to thank you for the gift to Camp Mennoscah. You have been such a constant supporter whether it's been through your annual bazaar earnings or coming out to volunteer your gifts and talents with camp. Please know how much your willingness to share in our work is appreciated. With peace, Michelle Shima, board member

Save the Date! Western District Women in Mission invites women & girls to our annual potluck salad supper on Monday, **April 28** at 6 p.m. at the Tabor Mennonite Church, rural Newton. The theme is "For the Beauty of the Earth" presented by WDWM executive committee member and Kansas City floral designer, Becca Schrag. Bring a salad to share and a small vessel to make a floral design in - a tea cup, bowl, or small vase. This is a free event with an offering taken to help cover expenses. RSVP not required but appreciated by emailing westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com.

Prayers for the Wider Church:

...Pray for Western District Conference's Gifts Discernment Committee as it discerns nominees or elected positions in WDC, and for those who are called by the Spirit to offer their gifts and leadership in our conference's ministry.

... Joseph and Rachel Givens (our Mission Partners) accompany volunteers at the Maria Skobtsova House and wider community in Calais, France. Pray for them as they offer a temporary home to migrants, who are trying to cross the English Channel to find refuge in England.