

Hope Mennonite Church

July 13, 2025

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

From Bethlehem to Nazareth, from Jordan to Jericho,
from Bethany to Jerusalem, from then to now,

come, Lord Jesus.

To heal the sick, to mend the brokenhearted,
to comfort the disturbed, to clean the temple,
to liberate faith from convention,

come, Lord Jesus.

To carry the cross, to lead the way,
to shoulder the sin of the world and take it away,

come, Lord Jesus.

Today, in this place, to us,

come, Lord Jesus.

*Songs of Gathering

"Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"

#25

"I Know God Loves Me"

#158

Hearing God's Word

Time with the Children

Ryan Henneberg

Scripture Reading (Common English Bible)

Revelation 7:9-17

"My Soul Cries Out"

#412

Message

"Grand Visions of Small Things"

Peter Goerzen

Responding to God's Word

*"Just As I Am"

Insert

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

Sending

*"We, Your People, Sing Your Praises"

#849

*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. A special welcome to Peter Goerzen. Peter is an assistant professor of Bible and Religion at Bethel College. While a student at Bethel, he was a ministry inquiry student here at Hope.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Kendal Warkentine

Pianist: Amy Bellar

Song leader: Steve Pankratz

Scripture reader: Lori Miller

Worship tech: Michelle Jantz

Zoom host: Lee Schmucker

Upcoming Worship Services

July 20 Girl Named Tom (winners of *The Voice* 2021)

July 27 Hopeful Blues; Ruth Harder's first Sunday

August 3 Ruth Harder's installation

Stay in Touch with Hope

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Pastor

Ruth Harder – beginning July 21

Secretaries

Cynthia Loganbill	721-8807	secretary@hopemennonite.org
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Church Office Hours

Cynthia	Monday-Thursday 9-1:30 pm
Kim	Friday 9-1 pm
Staff meeting	Monday 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 that we are given.

July 6

Attendance 80 (Hope 62, Zoom 18)

Offering last Sunday \$4,815

Year to date \$115,713

Spending Plan commitment year to date \$145,385

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 (July 13-19)

Today -Sunday school-remodel discussion
Wednesday -6:30pm Hopeful Blues rehearsal



Mower this week – Scott Luty

Coffee preparation next Sunday – Jerold Heide



NURSERY (infant up to 5th birthday)

Today: Jared & Natalie Regehr

Next Sunday: Mike & Val Mayta

July 27: Brenda Henneberg, Amy Bellar

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (July 20-26)

Wednesday -5:30 pm Witness & Outreach

Thursday -1 pm Deacons

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Guests & visitors last week: Angelina & Pierce Warren; Lizzy, Haly & David King

Pastoral Care for July: If you need pastoral care through July 21, please contact the church office or a deacon. The deacons are Eldon Chlumsky; Joanna Pinkerton; Jim & Barb Voth; and Steve & Sharon Pankratz.

Sanctuary Remodel Update: We have received quotes for the remodel construction of the sanctuary for video monitors. The cost is approximately \$25,000. On **July 13** Vision Council will host a discussion on whether or not we want to move forward with the construction or consider an alternate installation plan. If you would like a refresh on the options for installation, please review the video from our previous discernment session on the video monitors https://youtu.be/np4_RnyGdlk . As a refresher, the congregation has previously voted in favor of building in the monitors rather than mounting them on the existing front walls. However, the caveat included was that preference would be dependent on the cost. Please give this spending prayerful consideration and plan to join us for the discussion and decision on July 13th following worship.

It's free! Anything on the Lost and Found table is now up for grabs. Take what you want – the rest will disappear after today.

The July issue of *Anabaptist World* is now available on the front table. This issue contains numerous articles on the Anabaptism at 500 celebration in Switzerland plus much more.

Anniversary invitations: Please feel free to pick up extra 40th anniversary invitations to give to family and friends.

Call for Nominations to Vision Council Positions We are inviting the congregation to make nominations of members to serve on upcoming open Vision Council positions. While our regular discernment process will occur in the fall, the Vision Council positions often need advanced timing to help facilitate smooth transitions. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to serve our church community and help guide our mission and activities. **Positions Available:** Both the Treasurer and Secretary positions on Vision Council will be open for the two-year term beginning January 2026. We hope to identify a candidate to participate in the fall activities in preparation for the start of the term. This is most helpful and critical for the Treasurer position as we perform year end financials and new year budget proposals.

How to Nominate: Please submit your nominations to Natalie Hand at gnjrhand@gmail.com or 316-648-2937. Include the nominee's name, the position for which they are being nominated. The nominations will be reviewed by the Vision Council Committee, and candidates will be contacted for further discussion. Final selections will be voted on at the annual meeting in January 2025.

Hope is entitled to send 9 delegates (members or regular attendees) to the WDC annual assembly and all costs are covered. The delegate sessions are Saturday, August 9 from 8-10 am and 1-2pm and you can participate in person or via Zoom. If you are interested or have questions, please contact the church office. The deadline to submit our delegate list is July 27.

The annual Western District Conference Assembly will be held **August 8-9** at Hesston Mennonite Church, Hesston, KS. *Anabaptism@500: Faithfulness Then and Now* is this year's theme. The theme scriptures are Hebrews 12.1-2 and 1

Corinthians 3.11. We will have opportunities for all ages including a time of singing & fellowship Friday evening, Saturday evening fellowship time of music, ice cream; an intergenerational faith formation track, wonderful worship, workshops, & delegate sessions. Register at <https://mennowdc.org/2025-annual-assembly>

Prayers for the wider church

... Pray for WDC congregations offering support and advocacy for immigrants, as they seek God's justice and compassion in the face of threat and fear.

... Today, participants begin a week-long Underground Railroad Racial Justice Pilgrimage that will take them from Washington, D.C., to Florida. Pray for open minds and hearts, as they retrace the courageous journeys of faith communities and individuals who helped enslaved people find their way to emancipation. Pray also that participants will be inspired to act for justice in their own communities.

Sharing Prayers & Praise
July 6, 2025

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Work of the church

- * Church picture directories are ready. Kim will be handing those out, 1 per family during the month of July. You may pick one up during the week in the office.
- * MCC is doing a 25,000-school kit challenge. Please get a list off the bulletin board & return your items by August 10.

Just as I am, without one plea 92

OWALYWALY LM

Chords: Dsus D G C G Dsus D7

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea, but that thy
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with many a
 3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come,
 4 Just as I am, thy love un - known hath bro - ken

Chords: Em Am Dsus D G/B D7/A G/B G

blood was shed for me, and that thou bid'st me come to
 con - flict many a doubt, fight - ings and fears with - in, with -
 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve, be - cause thy prom - ise I be -
 ev - 'ry bar - rier down. Now to be thine, yea, thine a -

Chords: Em Bm Am/C G

thee,
 out,
 lieve,
 lone,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.