

Hope Mennonite Church  
October 5, 2025  
9:30 am Worship

Gathering to Worship
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*As we gather for worship, please silence all electronic devices.  
Hearing assistance devices are available from the ushers.*

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

We come from different places.

**We gather to worship our God,  
the one who led Abraham and Sarah to a new land;**

The One who led the people  
across the Egyptian border to freedom;

**The One who sent Joseph and Mary and Jesus to a foreign  
country, because their homeland was not safe.**

We come to worship our God, who loves the outcast, the  
foreigner, the displaced, the marginalized;

**The God who calls us to love and care  
for new guests in our community,**

The God who welcomes the people who have come  
to this country fleeing danger and despair.

**The God who recognizes the families who have come to  
this country to join relatives, seek freedom, find work, build  
community and form new friendships.**

We pray for all people,  
for we are all created in the Divine image of God.

**May our worship create a space of love & hospitality for all.**

Opening Prayer

\*Songs of Gathering

*Summoned by the God Who Made Us*

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Hearing God's Word
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Time with the Children    Marcus Loganbill & Esmerald Tovar-Mora

Scripture Litany

Ruth 4:11-12

Message

Sarah Balderas

## Responding to God's Word

*\*We Are One in the Spirit*

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You are invited to sing in any of the languages printed

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greeting our Guests (Please pass the welcome registers)

Seeing and Seeking God

Work of the Church

Sharing our Praises and Concerns

Prayer of God's People

## Celebrating Communion

Words of Institution and Welcome

*Gathered Here*

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## Sending

*\*Praise with Joy the World's Creator*

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\*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 World Communion Sunday and Immigration Sabbath. We are delighted to welcome Sarah Balderas and Esmeralda Tovar-Mora who will be sharing during worship and Sunday School

## Worship Participants

Worship leader: Marcus Loganbill

Pianist: Laurie Regehr

Song leader: Lowell Birkey

Scripture reader: Katie Chlumsky

Communion servers:

Worship tech: Scott Luty

Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston

## Stay in touch with Hope

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### Pastor

Ruth Harder 913-333-2605 [pastor@hopemennonite.org](mailto:pastor@hopemennonite.org)  
Office hours: Mon-Thurs 8:30-1:30pm  
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### Secretaries

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### Church Office Hours

Cynthia Mon-Thurs 9-1:30pm  
Kim Fri-9-1pm  
Staff meeting Monday 9:30am

Hope on Facebook: Follow the link at [hopemennonite.org](http://hopemennonite.org) and “like” Hope Mennonite Church to see pictures & updates on church life.

**First Fruits:** Giving the first and best of that we are given.

September 28

Attendance 111 (Hope 104, Zoom 7)

Offering last Sunday \$2,688

Year to date \$164,976

Spending Plan commitment year to date \$210,000

*Hope offers an electronic option of giving through **Tithely**.*

*Contact 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

October 12	40 <sup>th</sup> anniversary worship service; 9:30 am 9:00 am Hope Blues pre-service music
October 26	Worship at Camp Mennoscah; 10 am

### MEETINGS THIS WEEK (October 5-11)

Today	-CROP walk and picnic at Sedgwick County Park
Tuesday	-1:00 pm Women's Bible study – library
Wednesday	-8:30 am Coffee with Friends@Daphne Mae's, 208 Main St., Halstead -7:00 pm Choir
Thursday	-7:00 pm Women's Bible Study (zoom only)
Saturday	-2-5 pm 40 <sup>th</sup> anniversary open house with former pastors



Mower this week – Randy Graber



\*Toddler & Preschool (ages 2-4): Room 8/9

\*Younger elementary (K-1<sup>st</sup>): Room 2

\*Older elementary(2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>): Room 7

\*Youth (middle & high school): Room 3

\*Adults in the sanctuary: Sarah Balderas and Esmeralda Tovar-Mora will continue with the theme of immigration

Coffee preparation next Sunday – Cindy Fast



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Today: Ben & Grace Parker Sutter

Next Sunday: TBA

October 19: Greg & Leah Shelly-Unruh

### MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (October 12-18)

Sunday	-40 <sup>th</sup> anniversary worship service and lunch
Tuesday	-1:00 pm Women's Bible study – library -1:00 pm Deacons -7:00 pm Care & Nurture Commission
Thursday	-7:00 pm Women's Bible Study (zoom only)

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Guests & visitors last Sunday: Dorothy Cloud; Kathleen Kremer

Our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary weekend is next weekend, and our excitement is building as we look to welcome our former pastors, members and attendees, along with our current Hope church community. There will be a bonus opportunity to buy 1 lb. bags (\$20) of "Hopeful Brews," a special coffee created just for us from The Spice Merchant. We also encourage you to consider making a special donation during Sunday's regular offering which will go to the Western District Church Plant fund. Please designate it as such in the memo line. All cash will go to the fund as well. It is a way of recognizing Hope as a church plant and the generosity of many as we began in 1985.

The October issue of *Anabaptist World* is now available on the front table. This is a special issue featuring Anabaptist books.

Small group ministry Each fall we offer the opportunity to express your interest in a small group.... staying in your current one, switching groups or joining a group for the first time. The purpose of small groups at Hope is to gather in a smaller setting for deeper relationships, fellowship, and/or study. Now is the opportunity for new possibilities for small groups. Everyone is invited to consider participating. There are forms either in your mailbox or located on the table between the mailboxes. You are invited to fill one out and place it in the manila envelope on the bulletin board. The deadline is **October 19**. We encourage everyone to fill one out.

Our annual worship service at Camp Mennoscah will be on Sunday, **October 26**, 10:00 am. Following worship, a taco bar lunch will be served. The day will have no cost. Please sign up if you plan to attend.

If you enjoy choral music and are wondering about a way you can continue to support Justice Together, you are invited to "A Place to Call Home." "A Place to Call Home" is a choral concert to benefit Justice Together taking place on Saturday, **October 18**. The concert will be at Plymouth Congregational Church at 7:30 pm and is free to enter. The choir is under the direction of Bill Eash and will be singing some familiar songs as well as debuting original pieces, and will include a free-will offering to benefit Justice Together.

Calling All Helpers! The retreat center at Camp Mennoscah has provided many folks with the opportunity to participate in a multitude of camp activities and we are looking to jump start the renovation project with new management, fresh volunteers, and renewed financial assistance. We'd like to create a list of people who we can email for specific workday projects as they come up. Please call or text Tom Gaeddert at 316-288-7766 with your name and email address if you are willing to help and we will send out info for projects a week or two in advance of work to be done. Donations are also greatly appreciated and can be sent directly to camp designated for "Retreat Center". Thanks for your help!

Bluestem University Learning for Life FREE Authors Speaking Series will be **October 13** starting at 10 a.m. in Kidron Hall at Kidron Bethel Village, 3001 Ivy Dr., North Newton. We have two speakers discussing their published books. They will share those stories and then have a question-and-answer session following. Check out the flyer on the bulletin board for detailed information.

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Lunch • Bake Sale • Crafts

**Hope Mennonite  
Craft Bazaar  
November 8 9 am- 2pm**

Our annual bazaar will be here before we know it. **And as always, we need your help.** There are many ways to get involved – baking for the sale, helping bake peppernuts, grilling sausage, working in the kitchen or at the bake sale table the day of, helping at the kid's booth and prayers for the event to bring honor to God and assistance to those in need beyond our walls.

Committee: Katie Chlumsky, Renetta Gooden, Shelby Kaufman, Connie Luty, Emily Regehr, Laurie Regehr, Natalie Regehr, Tiffany Regehr