



I was *glad* when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the *Lord!*”

Psalms 122:1

Hope Mennonite Church

February 1, 2026

9:30 am Worship

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Hebrews 13:1-2

Gathering to Worship

As we gather for worship, please silence all electronic devices.

Hearing assistance devices are available from the ushers.

Fellowship hall welcome & prayer

Choral call to worship

Longing for Light

#715

Sanctuary welcome & prayer

*Litany of dedication

I was glad when they said unto me,

Let us go to the house of the Lord!

For your Presence, for your invitation, O God,

we give thanks.

For this community, for this place of gathering, O God,

we give thanks.

For our shared experiences and memories in this space,

O God,

we give thanks.

As we gather in this newly renovated place of worship,

we give thanks.

South: May this space be used in a spirit of humble service that reflects your love and presence. May the offerings of music, art, and words we bring point always beyond themselves to your vastness and your care.

North: May it be a space of welcome to all who enter. May your hospitality be reflected in care for accessibility and gracious attention to concerns of young and old alike as we worship together.

May this space be filled with expressions of praise and gratitude, of joy and love, of compassion and comfort, of justice and witness to you, Our God.

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*Gathering Songs

Here in This Place (stanzas 1,2,4)

#10

Holy Spirit, Come with Power

#57

Hearing God's Word

Time with Children

**Summoned by the God Who Make Us* (stanzas 1-4)

#1

Scripture reading

Hebrews 13:1-2

Message

Angelic Preparedness Plan

Ruth Harder

Responding to God's Word

Down By The Riverside arr. Stacey V. Gibbs

Choir

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

Sending

**Renew Your Church*

#717

*Benediction

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*You are welcome to stand

A warm welcome to all who have chosen to worship with us this morning in person or on Zoom. Our worship theme between now and the season of Lent is "Entertaining Angels Unaware." Angels swoop in and out of the pages and stories of Scripture. What do we make of these celestial beings? Are these angelic forces around us still, perhaps without us even noticing?

Today we dedicate our new worship space with the completion of the remodel of the front of our sanctuary. Thanks be to God!

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Hope on Facebook: Follow the link at 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.

January 25

Attendance 48 - all zoom

Offering - \$2,561

Year to date - \$12,021

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

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.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Lori Miller
Song leader & choir director: Trae Gehring
Pianist: Vicki Howard
Time with Children: Ruth Harder
Scripture reader: Jake Myers
Worship tech: Michelle Jantz
Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (February 1-7)

Monday -3-5 pm Reserved event-sanctuary
-7 pm Music Committee
Tuesday -1 pm Women's Bible study -Sunday scriptures
Wednesday -7 am Men's Breakfast @ Egg Crate
8606 W 13th St N, Suite #150,
-7 pm Choir
Thursday -7 pm Women's Bible study Making It Plain: Why we
NEED Anabaptism and Black Church by Dr. Drew
Hart. (Zoom only)
Saturday -Sandwich Saturday (still need 3 dozen cookies)



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

*Younger elementary (K-1st): Room 2

*Older elementary(2nd-5th): Room 7

*Youth (middle & high school): Room 3

*Adults(sanctuary): Today we will gather for our annual congregational meeting.

Coffee preparation next Sunday – Eldon & Annette Chlumsky

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (February 8-14)

Sunday -Dessert Auction during fellowship time
Monday -7 pm Worship Commission
Tuesday -1 pm Women's Bible study – Sunday scriptures
Wednesday -7 pm Choir
Thursday -7 pm Women's Bible study Making It Plain: Why we
NEED Anabaptism and Black Church by Dr. Drew
Hart. (Zoom only)
Friday -8:30 am Coffee with Women Friends – Sunflower
Café & Collective, 6120 W. Central, Wichita
Saturday -8 am-5 pm reserved event



NURSERY (infant up to 5th birthday)

Today: Greg & Leah Shelly-Unruh

Next Sunday: Clinton & Katie Chlumsky

February 15: Donovan & Laurie Regehr

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Guests & visitors January 18: Angelina Warren; Andy & Carmen Shelly; Lizzie Shelly & Louie Glinzak.

Guests & visitors January 25: Brian and Nikki Pauls; Charles and Pam Carter

New mailboxes: Kaila (Schmidt) & Alec Rice; Kurt & Susie Jantz**hp**

Dear Church Family, I want to express my sincere gratitude for the outpouring of love and kindness you have shown Cecil and me following the recent passing of my brother. Thank you so much for your prayers, heartfelt cards, and the support you provided us during this difficult time. Thank you also for the church's generous contribution toward the memorial. Your support helped us honor his memory in a truly special way, and I am deeply grateful for the community's thoughtfulness. Thank you for being such a wonderful and supportive community. Sincerely, Brenda Lilliston

Our Hope Home provides an affordable option that can help graduates of Family Promise get their feet on the ground, establish credit, and save additional funds for future housing. This home is part of the Almost Home Program of Family Promise. A special thank you to all who have worked to prepare the Hope Home for a new family: Lowell Birkey, Jim Blakely, Travis Cox, Leon Greaser, Marcus Loganbill, Scott Luty, Donovan Regehr, Brad Sherard (Aldersgate), and Kara and Caleb Wiens. We should be ready for our new family by the end of this week. Please keep the Hope Home family in your prayers as they make this transition.

Our annual Dessert Auction will be held next Sunday, during our fellowship time. You are invited to donate a dessert and/or purchase a dessert or give a donation. The money goes into our Scholarship Fund to be used by our youth who attend Mennonite institutions of higher education. BID OFTEN, BID HIGH.

The Tuesday Women's Bible study resumed on January 27, at 1 pm, in the church library/via zoom. All sessions will be recorded for those who can't make it. Pastor Ruth will facilitate this go-around. Our time together will focus on the Sunday morning Scripture ahead.

All women at Hope Mennonite are invited to the Thursday evening Bible Study. The study began on January 29 at 7 p.m. and is on zoom only. The study will be completed on April 26. The book we will be studying is called Making It Plain: Why we NEED Anabaptism and Black Church by Dr. Drew Hart. "In the Witness of Black and Anabaptist Christian communities across time, we find a faith that takes the life and teachings of Jesus seriously. Weaving together narrative history, theology, and practical guidance, Dr. Hart compels readers to engage the best of these faith streams to forge an "Anablacktivist" faith where everyone belongs, where everyone can thrive, and where everyone matters, especially the last and the least." The book can be ordered on Amazon or through Menno Media. Please contact Connie Luty or Lee Schmucker if you have questions or are interested in joining the group

The Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18. The Worship Commission is offering the devotional *Lift Up Your Hearts*, Lent daily devotions for adults and families, by Kate Wicker. If you are interested in your free copy(s), please **RSVP** to the church office by **tomorrow**.

Don't forget about the \$5,000 challenge match that Hope Mennonite is offering to benefit Camp Mennoscah! This match is only good within our congregation, so we hope that you will offer what you can to be doubled by the challenge, and ensure the timely completion of Camp Mennoscah's retreat center. Camp is still aiming for completion of the retreat center by the end of March, so every dollar makes a HUGE difference over the next 90 days! Checks can be written to Hope Mennonite with Camp Mennoscah in the memo line. To date we have received **\$1,000** toward the match.

Prayers for the wider church

... Pray that during this new year the Holy Spirit will open hearts and create new opportunities for connection, hospitality, and mission within our church planting communities.

...Pray for the people of Venezuela, and Mennonite Mission Network's partner Network of Mennonite Missions of Venezuela, amid the political instability caused by the forceful removal of Venezuela's president by the U.S. last month. Pray that the new governmental leaders will reflect the will of the Venezuelan people and bring peace to the country

...Joseph and Rachel Givens accompany migrants at the Maria Skobtsova House, in Calais, France. Pray for them, as they face difficult circumstances while standing up for those who are unable to stand up for themselves. The Givens are our mission partners and there is more information about their ministry on the Witness & Outreach bulletin board.