



The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings
Offertory
Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greeting our Guests (Please pass the welcome registers)

*Hallelujah Chorus

Choir

You are invited to join the choir and sing with us.

Easter Feast

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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.

Worship Participants

Worship leaders: Mike Voth, Katelyn Anderson, Hudson Regehr
Pianist: Laurie Regehr
Hopeful Blues: Rod Kremer, Leon Greaser, Eldon Chlumsky, Galen Fast, Laurie Regehr
Song leader: Trae Gehring
Soloist: Bryce Wilson
Time with Children: Grace Parker Sutter
Scripture reader: Joanna Pinkerton
Worship tech: Scott Luty
Zoom host: Brenda Glanzer Lilliston



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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.

March 29

Attendance 136 (Hope 123; zoom 13)

Offering - \$4,090

Year to date - \$55,895

Spending plan commitment year to date - \$78,750

*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.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK (April 5-11)

- Tuesday -8:30 am Coffee with Women Friends
@The Meeting House, 507 N Commercial, Sedgwick
-1:00 pm Women's Bible study – Sunday scriptures
- Wednesday -7 pm Choir
- Friday 11:00 am Bob Stolze's celebration of life service



No Sunday School scheduled today. All classes will resume next week.



Mower this week – Jerold Heide

Coffee preparation next Sunday – Jerold Heide

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (April 12-18)

- Monday -7 pm Worship Commission
- Tuesday -1:00 pm Women's Bible study – Sunday scriptures
-7 pm Vision Council
- Wednesday -7:00am Men's Breakfast
@ Egg Crate, 8606 W 13th St N, Suite #150
-7:00pm Choir
- Thursday 1-10:30 am Deacons
-7pm Women's Bible study Making It Plain: Why we
NEED Anabaptism and Black Church by Dr. Drew
Hart. (Zoom only)
- Saturday -11 am Women's salad luncheon



NURSERY (infant – age four)
Today: Unstaffed nursery today
Next Sunday: Donna Heide, Brenda Henneberg
April 19: Eldon & Annette Chlumsky

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Guests & visitors last Sunday: Cheryl Babcock; Abby Orth

New mailbox: Matt Stucky & Blaire Mayhue

My Coins Count: We will be sending \$791 to the Mid-Kansas Relief Sale to support education around the world.

The next Power of Attorney clinic will be held Saturday, **April 25**. The clinic will be held in conjunction with a celebration of Day of the Children - an annual festival in the Latinx community. We need volunteers for morning and/or afternoon shifts. Volunteers greet clients, escort them to their attorneys, offer drinks and snacks, play games with children, and serve lunch to other volunteers. We are also thinking of providing lunch (for approximately 50 volunteers) ourselves, rather than catering. If these opportunities interest you, please see Ryan or Brenda Henneberg, Cindy Fast or Marcus Loganbill.

Grab your calendars and mark the date, time & place for the Justice Together Nehemiah Assembly to bring our faith into action.

*What: Nehemiah Assembly

*When: Monday, **April 27** at 6 pm

*WSU Metroplex, 50515 East 29th St N, Wichita

The Nehemiah Assembly gathers people from over 40 Wichita area faith communities to help bring more justice to Wichita. This year's topics are Affordable Housing/Homelessness and Gun Violence Prevention. There will be a "Mission Moment" about the Nehemiah Assembly during the April 11th church service, with *free tickets available after church* in the fellowship hall. Come and help hold elected officials accountable to make Wichita a better community.

Individuals who have signed up for the ICE (Immigration Response Team) response team have already received an invitation (email) to a special meeting on **Sunday, May 3**. We will have a pizza lunch followed by approximately an hour and half of detailed instructions and discussion (12:45 - 2:15). We are working to provide child care for families. The ICT committee wishes to extend an invitation to **all members** of the congregation for this special meeting. If you did not fill out a sign-up form but would like to know more about the response plan or wish to participate in some way, feel free to attend. Please **RSVP to Marcus by Sunday, April 26** if you are able to attend.

The Kansas Mennonite Men's Chorus will be in concert on April **12**, 4:30 pm at Memorial Hall, Bethel College, North Newton and **April 18**, 4:30 pm at Richert Auditorium, Tabor College, Hillsboro, KS.

Reminder for women & girls! Annual Mennonite Women in Mission's salad supper on Monday, **April 20**, 6 pm, Tabor Mennonite Church. Kate Mast will speak on "Our Time, Our Stories, Our Stuff." Kate will give ideas and advice about how we manage our belongings and the stories our stuff tell about our lives. Please bring a salad and bring one small item that is a treasure of yours to share with your table group. RSVP is not required. Information at mennonitewomeninmission.org or on their Facebook page.

The Central Kansas Master Chorale will present Haydn's Lord Nelson Mass (Mass for Troubled Times) with orchestra and directed by Dr. Joel Garber. This free event will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, **April 19** at Hesston Mennonite Church. Admission is free, donations accepted. For more information, visit the chorale website at www.centralkansasmasterchorale.org.

Prayers for the wider church

...Give thanks for Jesus' resurrection power embodied in WDC congregations through acts of compassion and love, solidarity with those who suffer, and resistance to evil and oppression.

... In mid-April SOOP participants Dan and Tina Beachy will begin a twoweek assignment serving at Hesston (Kansas) College. Pray that this time of service will be fulfilling for the Beachys and help Hesston College continue in their mission

... Today, a group of pilgrims will set out on a 13-day Christ at the Borders Just Peace Pilgrimage to Calais, France, where they will encounter the lives and stories of migrants trying to reach safety in England. Pray that participants will be inspired by the stories they hear and the people they meet to effect change in the world and pray for mission workers Joseph and Rachel Givens as they host the pilgrimage. Our own Lee & Marvin Schmucker will be a part of this delegation.

Sharing Prayers & Praise Week of March 29, 2026

Work of the Church



Our "Shine a Light on Hope" campaign to raise funds for our new lighting has begun. Please watch the video explanation from Rod Kremer which answers questions on this needed upgrade.

Choir Texts

Nearer, My God, To Thee

Solo:

Nearer by God to thee! Nearer to thee!
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me.
There let the way appear, steps unto heav'n;
All that thou sendest me in mercy giv'n.
Still all my song shall be nearer my God to thee.
Though like the wanderer the sun gone down,
Darkness be over me, my rest a stone.
Angels to beckon me nearer by God to thee.
Or if, on joyful wing, cleaving the sky,
Sun, moon and start forgot, upward I fly.

Choir:

In articulo mortis caelitus mihi vires
(At the moment of death, heaven gave me strength.)
Deo adjuvante no timendum in perpetuum
(With God's help, we need not fear forever).
Dirige nor Domine ad augusta per angusta
(Direct us, O Lord, to the great through the narrow.)
Sic itur ad astra excelsior
(Thus we go to the higher stars.)

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.
Forbid it Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ, my God?
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.
See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown!
Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love, so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all! Amen!