

Hope Mennonite Church

June 14, 2026

9:30 am Worship

Gathering to Worship

*As we gather for worship, please silence all electronic devices.  
Hearing assistance devices are available from the tech booth.*

Prelude

Welcome & prayer

\*Call to worship

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In the beginning, before time, before people, before the world began,

**God was.**

Here and now, among us, beside us,  
clearer than air, closer than breathing,

**God is.**

In all that is to come, when have turned to dust  
and human knowledge has been completed.

**God will be.**

Not despairing of earth, but delighting in it, not condemning  
The world, but redeeming it through Jesus Christ,  
by the power of the Holy Spirit,

**God was, God is, God will be.**

\*Gathering Song

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

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Listening for God's Word

Time with Children

We are here in the **heart** of God;

God is here in the **heart** of us.

Like the wind in the summer & the summer in the wind

Scripture reading

Exodus 3:1-12

Message

Divine Sparks

Pastor Ruth

Responding to God's Word

*Kyrie eleison, Have Mercy*

#796

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greeting our Guests

Seeing and Seeking God

Sharing our Praises and Concerns

Prayer

Work of the Church

Sending

*\*Touch the Earth Lightly*

#145

\*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. Today we continue our summer worship series *Sacred Ground(s)*.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Lori Miller

Pianists: Laurie Regehr; Amelia Koop

Song leader: Steve Pankratz

Scripture reader: Leslie James

Time with children: Ruth Harder & friends

Worship tech: Mike Voth

Sound tech: Rod Kremer

Zoom host: Lee Schmucker



## Stay in touch with Hope

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### Pastor

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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.

June 7

Attendance 110 (Hope 94; Zoom 16)

Offering - \$9,772

Year to date - \$112,854

Spending plan commitment year to date - \$139,327

*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 (June 14-20)

Wednesday -7 am Men's breakfast

@ Egg Crate, 8606 W 13th St N, Suite #150

Friday/Sat -Library reserved



Mower this week – Grant Bellar

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (June 21-27)

Tuesday -7 pm Vision Council

Wednesday -Newsletter Deadline

Thursday -1 pm Deacons

Saturday -Reserved Event

NURSERY (infant – age four)



Today: Jared & Natalie Regehr

Next Sunday: Eldon & Annette Chlumsky

June 28: Greg & Leah Shelly-Unruh

Coffee preparation next Sunday – Chris Bellar

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Guests & visitors: Vanessa Benitez

The June issue of *Anabaptist World* is now available on the front table. The lead articles address the wrestling with faith and nation as the United States approaches its 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Pick up your copy today.

Hope Vision Council announces a special congregational meeting following worship on Sunday, **June 28**. Topics of discussion/vote will include our congregational response plan to Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) on our church properties, as well as proposed changes to our Abuse Prevention and Response Policy, also known as our Child Protection Policy.

### A couple of exciting items from Justice Together:

1. Justice Together was called a “game changer on local issues” by Wichita’s Active Age newspaper. See the article on the Witness & Outreach bulletin board or at
2. Join the Justice Together Celebration with food, music, games and the Investment Drive Kickoff on Thursday, **June 18**, 6 pm at Calvary United Methodist Church at 2525 North Rock Rd.
3. Become more involved in Hope’s Justice Together Network by becoming a Team Leader. See Ruth Harder, Grace Parker Sutter or Wendy Wiens for more information.

### Sandwich Saturday coordinators are needed for **July 4 & August**

1. Would you consider gathering a group of church people, family, friends and/or neighbors? At minimum you need 4-5 people, although the more you have the quicker it goes. If you have never participated in this ministry, all the items are purchased ahead of time, and your group simply puts together the 60 sack lunches and then distributes them at St. John’s Episcopal Church downtown at 11:00 am. There are very specific and easy to follow instructions. There are also open slots in October, November, and December.

Western District Conference annual assembly – “Becoming God’s People,” **August 7-9** at Iglesia Luz del Evangelio, Dallas, TX. Hope is entitled to send 9 delegates (we have one so far), so if you are interested, please contact the church office. Most of the costs for attending will be paid by the church.

### Prayers for the wider church

... Laura and Nick Sharp, and their two children, are nearing the end of their time in Colombia. Pray for this family as they navigate the difficulties of leaving behind the friends and culture they have grown to love, while also eagerly anticipating being reunited with their friends, family and home in Kansas

... Pray for WDC congregations in agricultural communities, and for farmers navigating changing seasons, climate impacts and economic uncertainties. Give thanks for all who tend livestock, crops and gardens that supply food for our tables.