

Hope Mennonite Church

June 28, 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

#855

To worship is to stand in awe under a heaven of stars,  
before a flower, a leaf in sunlight, or a grain of sand.

**To worship is to be silent, receptive, before a tree astir  
with the wind, or the passing shadow of a cloud.**

To worship is to work with dedication and with skill;  
it is to pause from work and listen to a strain of music.

**To worship is to sing with the singing beauty  
of the earth; it is to listen through a storm  
to the still small voice within.**

***Worship is the mystery with us  
reaching out to the Mystery beyond.***

\*Gathering Song

*At the Dawn of Your Creation*

#179

Listening for God's Word

Time with Children

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

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

Like the tears in our sadness, like the sadness in our tears.

Scripture reading

Genesis 2:4b-22; Romans 8:14-27

Sermon

*Humdrum interrupters*

Ruth Harder

## Responding to God's Word

<i>*There Is More Love Somewhere</i>	#804
<i>Beauty for Brokenness</i>	#712

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Greeting Our Guests

Seeing and Seeking God

Sharing our Praises and Concerns

Work of the Church

Prayer

## Sending

*\*God of the Fertile Fields* #750

\*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: Kendal Warkentine

Pianist: Brad Anderson

Song leader: Adam Kroeker

Scripture reader: Vicki Howard

Time with children: Ruth Harder & Greg Shelly-Unruh

Worship tech: Michelle Jantz

Sound tech: Galen Fast

Zoom host: Marjie Warkentine

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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 21

Attendance 93 (Hope 78; Zoom 15)

Offering - \$3,105

Year to date - \$119,296

Spending plan commitment year to date - \$151,422

*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 28-July 4)

- Today -Congregational meeting following worship;  
Art activity for children in library
- Wednesday -7 am Men’s breakfast  
@ Egg Crate, 8606 W 13th St N, Suite #150
- Thursday -6:30-8:30 Reserved event
- Saturday -Sandwich Saturday (still need 3 ½ dozen cookies)



Mower this week – Scott Luty

NURSERY (infant – age four)



Today: Greg & Leah Shelly-Unruh  
 Next Sunday: Brenda & Oaty Henneberg  
 July 12: Justin & Tiffany Regehr

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (July 5-11)

- Friday -8:30 am Coffee with women friends  
@Vivre – 4321 N. Ridge Road, Ste. 101, Wichita
- Saturday -10 am – noon Discipleship Commission downstairs

Coffee preparation next Sunday – Mike & Kim Voth

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New mailbox: Alex Rome

Mailbox shuffle: In order to add more people to our mailboxes, names have been moved around. Can’t find yours? Just keep looking, it is there.

This is the last Sunday for you to pick up items from the table in the fellowship hall. It is no longer ‘lost and found’ it is ‘can you use it, PLEASE take it.’ If interested, a number of photo boxes have been added.

Hope Vision Council will hold a congregational meeting following worship **today**. 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.

**Kids summer VBS** at Hope on **August 15**: 9am-12pm and **August 16**: 12pm-3pm. Kids ages 3-9 can join in for music, crafts, stories, snacks, and recreation centered around the theme: God is out of (and in) this world! Lunch will be provided for the kids on Sunday, **August 16** prior to activities. We are asking for a \$5 contribution per kid to help cover craft supplies and lunch. Contact Natalie Regehr ([nataliekgraber@gmail.com](mailto:nataliekgraber@gmail.com)) if you need assistance with the attendance cost or questions about the weekend program. To register kids for VBS, please contact the church office ([secretary@hopemennonite.org](mailto:secretary@hopemennonite.org)) by Wednesday, August 12 with the names and ages of kids for planning purposes. Looking forward to seeing all the kiddos at VBS this year! -Natalie Regehr

**Art, Improv, and Lego are Worship, Too! Kids Meet Christ** invites you to a fun community event for anyone who wants to see what is possible when all ages are fully engaged in worship. **Talashia Keim Yoder**, pastor at College Mennonite Church in Goshen, IN, and faith formation extraordinaire, will facilitate. **Date**: Saturday, September 12 **Time**: 9:30am–2:30pm **Where**: First Mennonite Church in Hutchinson, KS. Breakfast and lunch included. Morning program is for all ages. The afternoon session will be separated into adult and children's workshops. **Register at** <https://forms.gle/AhLK7yB2ZLqV1jwo6>

Online registration is open for the annual Mennonite Women in Mission Women & Girls (ages 8 - high school) Retreat at Camp Mennoscah on **September 12-13**. Registration Forms are available on the website, although online is preferred. Detailed information & [www.mennonitewomeninmission.org](http://www.mennonitewomeninmission.org). The retreat theme is "My Time is in Your Hands" with session speakers Melissa Atchison & Audrey Ratzlaff. The girls' leaders are Schyler Entz and Emily Brandt with an additional girls tie dye bandana session with Marla Sowatzky Towe. If you have any more questions, please contact [mennonitewomeninmission@gmail.com](mailto:mennonitewomeninmission@gmail.com).

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. All costs and expenses for our delegates will be paid by the church.

## Prayers for the wider church

... Pray for Western District Conference church planters and their families, that they may experience strength, encouragement, and deep trust in God's provision.

...Praise God for participants in Mennonite Mission Network's SOOP program, many of whom will spend a portion of their summer serving with Mennonite camps across the United States and Canada. Pray that their work would bless the organizations they serve with

... Friedenshaus (House of Peace) is a ministry of the Mennonite church in Ludwigshafen, Germany, that focuses on bringing a culture of peace to their community by providing refugees with language acquisition assistance and other services