

Hope Mennonite Church

July 12, 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

Praise the Lord, for we have tasted that He is good!
As living stones, let us build a spiritual house together.

**We come to Christ, the chosen and precious
cornerstone, to be built up into a royal priesthood.**

Once we were not a people, but now we are the people of
God. Once we had not received mercy, but now we have
received mercy.

**We gather to declare the praises of Him who called us
out of darkness into His marvelous light.**

Let us draw near to the Lord and worship Him
in spirit and in truth.

**We offer our spiritual sacrifices of praise and
thanksgiving to our God. Amen!**

*Gathering Songs

For the Fruit of All Creation

#124

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

#10

Listening for God's Word

Time with Children

We are here in the colors of God

God is here in the colors of us.

Like the hues in the rainbow and the rainbow in the hues

We are here in the colors of God

Scripture reading

Jeremiah 29:7; 1 Peter 2:9-10 (#381)

Dialogue

Ruth Harder & Brad Anderson

Responding to God's Word

Prayer #1032

**Seek the Peace of the City* #206

The Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Alex Rome

Prayer

Greeting Our Guests

Seeing and Seeking God

Sharing our Praises and Concerns

Work of the Church

Prayer

#1043

Sending

**God of Grace and God of Glory* #716

*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)*. During the second hour today, you are invited to join Brad Anderson for continued discussion on political discipleship.

Worship Participants

Worship leader: Kendal Warkentine

Pianist: Ruthie Goering

Song leader: Steve Pankratz

Scripture reader: Margaret Wiebe

Time with children: Ruth Harder

Worship tech: Michelle Jantz

Sound tech: Rod Kremer

Zoom host: Lee Schmucker

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Church Office Hours

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

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.

July 5

Attendance 77 (Hope 66; Zoom 11)

Offering - \$24,309

Year to date - \$148,440

Spending plan commitment year to date - \$163,558

*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 (July 12-18)

Today -11 am Pastor Congregation Relations Committee
Monday -6:00 pm Music Committee
Wednesday -7:00 am Men's Breakfast
@ Egg Crate, 8606 W. 13th, Ste. 150



Mower this week – Jerold Heide

NURSERY (infant – age four)



Today: Justin & Tiffany Regehr
Next Sunday: Clinton & Katie Chlumsky
July 26: Shelby & Tyler Kaufman

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK (July 19-25)

Sunday -Lunch at Barn'ds (sign up please)
Tuesday -1 pm Care & Nurture Commission
Wednesday -Hope Headlines deadline (August newsletter)
Saturday -10 am – noon Library reserved

Coffee preparation next Sunday – Tiffany Regehr

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Visitors last Sunday: Randy & Ronda Quinn; Bill & Cheryl Plucker

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.

Our Hope Deacons assist Pastor Ruth in coordinating pastoral needs of the congregation. Congregants/families are divided evenly among the Deacons. If you are curious who your Deacon contact person is, an updated list has been posted on the bulletin board.

"Hope Church: Thank you for the memorial gift for Dad. We appreciate that you remembered him and lifted us up in this time of grief!" Bret & Carol Preheim

The July issue of *Anabaptist World* has arrived. This issue highlights the 50th anniversary of the Brethren Mennonite Council for LGBT Interest event and personal stories. Pick up your copy.

Next Sunday, you are invited to join other Hope folk at Barn'ds for lunch. It's a great time eating and fellowshiping together. Please sign up on the bulletin board or on the online form.



Sharing our gifts and rotating leadership at Hope! We'd love to get a strong response to a newly created **Count Me In** form. If nothing else, look over this form to be reminded of the many ways people contribute to the life and mission of Hope Mennonite, and let's keep giving thanks to one another and God. Paper copies available.

On June 28 we held a **congregational meeting**. Agenda items included a sanctuary lighting update, abuse prevention policy review, and information about two new working groups: Digital Policy and Radical Hospitality. There was one voting item. The approved motion was as follows: *The Vision Council will have the authority to monitor, affirm, and approve the working Response Plan (ICE), and to support the ongoing work of the Immigration Compassion Team (ICT) until a detailed working manual is completed.* **A congregational meeting handout is on the front table. In additional:** Copies of the newly reviewed Building Use and Borrowing Policy are available upon request.

Kids Vacation Bible School at Hope **August 15:** 9am-12pm and **August 16:** 12pm-3pm. Kids ages 3-9 will together 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) 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) by Wednesday, **August 12** with the names and ages of kids for planning purposes.

Our Mennonite Mission Partners—the Givens— will share about their ministry on **Sunday, July 19, at 6:00 p.m.** at **First Mennonite Church, Halstead**. Refreshments will follow. All the supporting churches are welcome. The Givens will also present during the morning worship service at Grace Hill Mennonite Church that same day.