



# Halstead First Mennonite Church

July 13, 2025

*Good morning and welcome!  
God has invited us here; we are  
at home in his presence. Let us  
worship.*

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## **Gathering Music** – Kent Dick

*For All the Saints* – arr. Smith/Koury

## **Welcome and Announcements** - Gregg Dick

## **Centering Music** – Kent Dick

*All Who Love and Serve* - Troutman

## **\*Call to Worship**

Leader: Jesus, servant, at supper with your disciples you put a towel around your waist. Like Peter, we protest and distort your simple parable of love.

People: Wash us, Lord, that we may be ready to wash each other's feet and to serve one another for your sake.

Leader: Jesus, servant, unless your Spirit lives in us, we will lord it over the people and institutions in our care.

People: Come, dwell within us and within our churches, that we may learn how to follow you who came not to be served but to serve.

Leader: We pray to you, the one who gave your life as a ransom for many.

People: Amen.

# Song – I Am Thine O Lord – HWB #505

I AM THINE 10 7. 10 7 with refrain

1 I am thine, O Lord, I have heard thy voice, and it  
 2 Oh, the pure de-light of a sin-gle hour that be-  
 3 Con-se-crate me now to thy ser-vice, Lord, by the

told thy love to me. But I long to rise in the arms of faith,  
 fore thy throne I spend, when I kneel in prayer, and with thee, my God,  
 pow'r of grace di-vine. Let my soul look up with a stead-fast hope,

Refrain  
 and be clos-er drawn to thee.  
 I com-mune as friend with friend! Draw me near-er,  
 and my will be lost in thine. near-er, near-er,

near-er, bless-ed Lord, to the cross where thou hast died. Draw me

near-er, near-er, near-er, bless-ed Lord, to thy pre-cious bleed-ing side.

**Song – *I Will Follow* – Lyrics Projected**

**Offering & Offertory – Western District Conference**

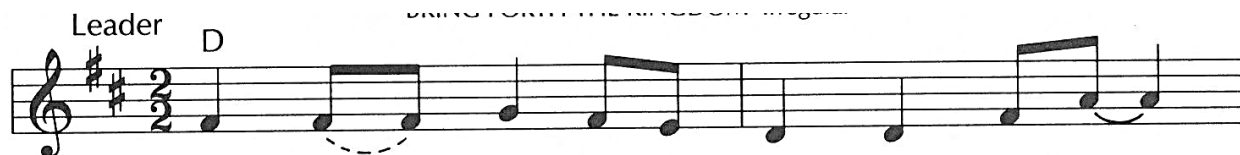
*Look, Ye Saints! The Sight is Glorious* – Mansfield      Kent Dick

**Scripture -** Philippians 2:3, Hebrews 12:2 (p. 1827, 1877)

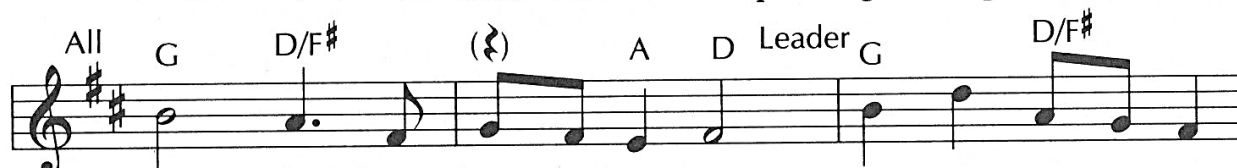
**Children's Time – Casey Jacob**

*A nursery is available in the basement for  
children aged 4 and younger following Children's Time.*

# Worship Song – You Are the Salt of the Earth – HWB #226



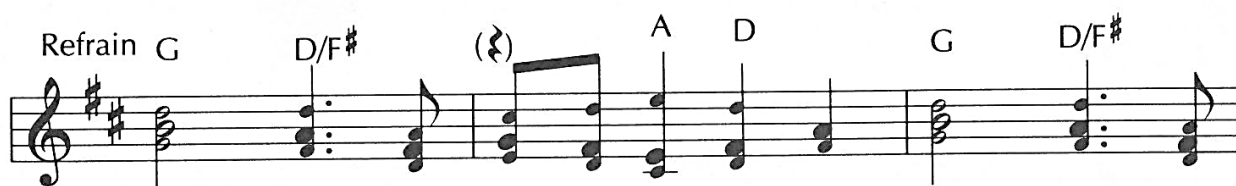
1 You are salt for the earth, O peo - ple,  
 2 You are a light on the hill, O peo - ple,  
 3 You are a seed of the word, O peo - ple,  
 4 We are the bless'd and a pil - grim peo - ple,



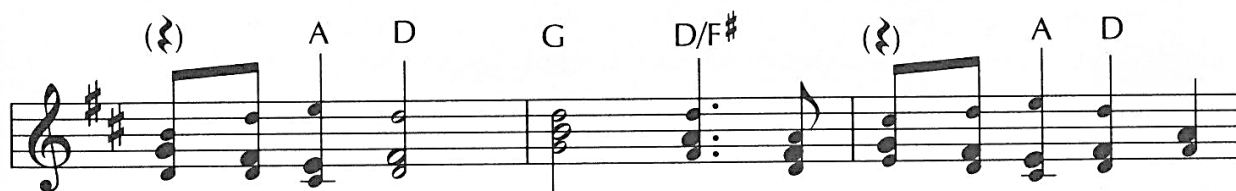
salt for the king-dom of God! Share the fla - vor of  
 light for the cit - y of God! Shine so ho - ly and  
 bring forth the king-dom of God! Seeds of mer - cy and  
 bound for the king-dom of God! Love our jour - ney and



life, O peo - ple: life in the king-dom of God!  
 bright, O peo - ple: shine for the king-dom of God!  
 seeds of jus - tice, grow in the king-dom of God!  
 love our home - land: love is the king-dom of God!



Bring forth the king-dom of mer - cy, bring forth the



king-dom of peace. Bring forth the king-dom of jus - tice,



bring forth the cit - y of God!

**Worship Song** – *Days of Elijah* – Lyrics Projected

**Congregational Prayer** – Pastor Steve

**Finding Joy in Serving** – Sr. High Youth

**Response Song** – *Mighty to Save* – Lyrics Projected

**Prayer**

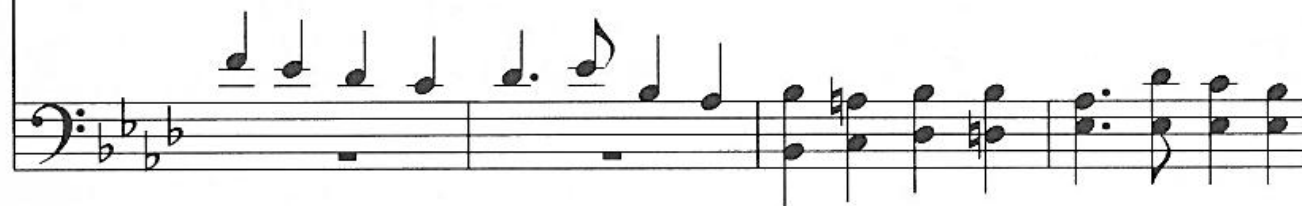
**\*Sending Song – Go My Children – HWB #433**



- 1 "Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, nev - er a - lone.  
Wak - ing, sleep - ing, I am with you, you are my own.
- 2 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.  
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
- 3 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, clos - er to me.  
Grow in love and love by serv - ing, joy - ful and free.
- 4 I, the Lord, will bless and keep you, and give you peace.  
I, the Lord, will smile up - on you, and give you peace.



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er, I have made you mine for - ev - er.  
Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry, here you touched him, saw his glo - ry.  
Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you, here his ten - der com - fort stilled you.  
I, the Lord, will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior, Com - for - ter, and Broth - er.



Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing, you are my own.  
Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en, at peace and pure.  
Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished, joy - ful and free.  
Go, my chil - dren, I will keep you, and give you peace."



## **\*Benediction**

## **\*Postlude – Kent Dick**

*Sent Forth By God's Blessing – Lasky*

\*Please stand if you are able

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## **CHURCH CALENDAR**

July 16	7:30 p.m.	Praise Team practice
July 20	6:30 p.m.	Ice Cream Social – church lawn

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The rose on the organ this morning** is in honor of Dorothy Dick's 96th birthday on July 17. Happy Birthday Dorothy!

**Debbie will be doing the bulletin on Wednesday this week** while Melanie is on vacation. All announcements can still be sent to the church email: [office@firstmennonitehalstead.org](mailto:office@firstmennonitehalstead.org)

**We will have another Ice Cream Social next Sunday, July 20,** at 6:30 p.m. on the church lawn. Braum's ice cream will be served. Sign up for toppings on the bulletin board. See you there!

**The WDC Annual Assembly is August 8-9 in Hesston** and on Zoom. If you would like to be a delegate from our church and/or plan to attend, please let Pastor Steve or Church Chair Gregg Dick know by next Sunday, July 20, so we can turn in the delegate paperwork.

**From Pastor Steve: Have you ever found yourself** wondering why we do certain things in church, like lighting candles, reading a call to worship, or passing the peace? Or maybe you've had questions about Christian life in general, like why we pray before meals or what baptism really means? I am planning a new sermon



series to explore the “whys” behind our worship and daily walk with Jesus. But I need your help to shape it. If there’s something you’ve always been curious about, or maybe something you once knew but forgot, now’s your chance to ask. No question is too small or too silly. What is your “Why do we do that?” question? You can send your question to me in an email, put it in my mail box or stick it in the offering box in the foyer.

**Care Portal is celebrating 10 years! Join the celebration tonight,** July 13th at 5:30 pm at Maranatha Church (3115 Blanchard SW, Hutchinson). A meal will be provided.

**WDC Annual Assembly – Never participated** in Annual Assembly? It’s full of fun for all ages! Camp Sing after worship Friday evening, along with live, local music, ice cream and fellowship time Saturday evening, and fun intergenerational faith formation for kids, youth and adults on Saturday! Join us for Annual Assembly on August 8-9, at Hesston Mennonite Church, Hesston, KS. A link to register was sent with the bulletin packet.

**Bethel College Updates:** Bethel College is excited to welcome Girl Named Tom, a sibling trio from northwest Ohio, to our campus on July 19 for our 3rd annual Bethel College Summer Concert! We know many in Mennonite circles have connections to Girl Named Tom. We want to extend a special invitation to congregations for this FREE concert event. Local favorite and Bethel alumni group The Flannelbacks will open the concert. The Green will “open” at 4:30 p.m. Food from several vendors will be available starting at 5 p.m. The Flannelbacks will take the stage at 7 p.m. Girl Named Tom will close out the evening starting at 8 p.m. Guests are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs, blankets, etc.

**Colorado peaches are coming to MCC!** Palisade peaches from western Colorado are available for order and purchase until July 30. Two sizes are available: 9 lb. for \$30 and 18 lb. for \$42. Orders can be placed by emailing [patsydirksen@mcc.org](mailto:patsydirksen@mcc.org) or by calling MCC, 316.283.2720. Payment in the form of cash or check is due by July 30. Make checks payable to Beth-El Mennonite Church with “peaches” in the memo line. Payment can be mailed to: MCC, PO Box 235, North Newton, KS 67117 or dropped off at the MCC at



121 East 30th, North Newton. Peaches will be ready for pick-up on Monday, August 18 at the MCC warehouse. Beth-El Mennonite Church sells peaches as a fundraiser for bierocks ingredients that are sold at the Rocky Mountain Mennonite Relief Sale in October. Thank you for supporting MCC!

## **PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES**

- Pray for the family, friends, and community of the young girl and her friend's father who tragically lost their lives in a boating accident at Kanopolis Lake on July 3. May God's comfort, peace, and presence surround all who are grieving this deep loss.
- Western District Conference: Pray for WDC congregations offering support and advocacy for immigrants, as they seek God's justice and compassion in the face of threat and fear.
- Mennonite Mission Network: Today, participants begin Mennonite Mission Network's week-long Underground Railroad Racial Justice Pilgrimage, which will take them from Washington, D.C., to Florida. Pray for open minds and hearts, as they retrace the courageous journeys of faith communities and individuals who helped enslaved people find their way to emancipation. Pray also that participants will be inspired to act for justice in their own communities.

## **SUNDAY INFORMATION**

<b>NURSERY TODAY</b>	Sara Smoker, Raquel Wilcox, Emmit Jacob
<b>PIANIST/ORGANIST</b>	Kent Dick
<b>OFFERING LAST SUNDAY</b>	
Building Maintenance	\$100.00
Church Budget Offering	7,335.09
Harvey Co Health	25.00
MCUSA	25.00
Offender Victim	150.00
Peace Connections	125.00
Western District Conference	175.00
<b>ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY</b>	83
<b>OFFERING NEXT SUNDAY</b>	Offender Victim Ministries
<b>NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY</b>	Ruth Mueller, Debbie Nightingale, Kalyn Ortman