



First Mennonite Church of Halstead

November 2, 2025

Help us, O Lord, to be still and patient before you as we wait for the touch of your hand upon our hearts. Amen.

Gathering Music – Cindy Siemens

Welcome and Announcements - Casey Jacob
October Birthday Blessing

Centering Music – The Dingers
For the Beauty of the Earth - Arr. by Paul E. Koch

***Call to Worship**

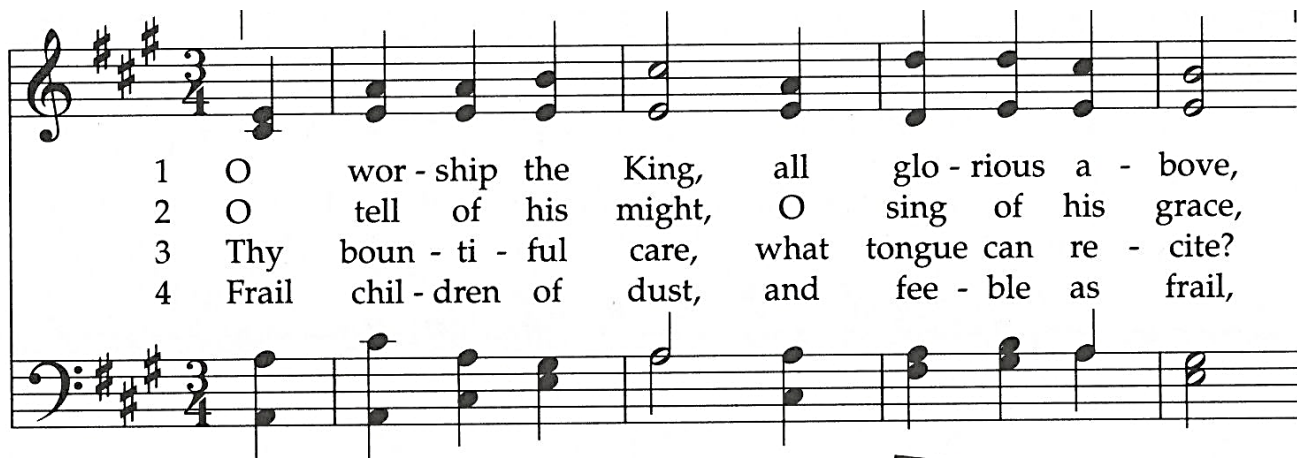
Leader: Stand up and praise the Lord your God, who is from everlasting to everlasting.

People: **Blessed be your glorious name, and may it be exalted above all blessing and praise. You alone are the Lord.**

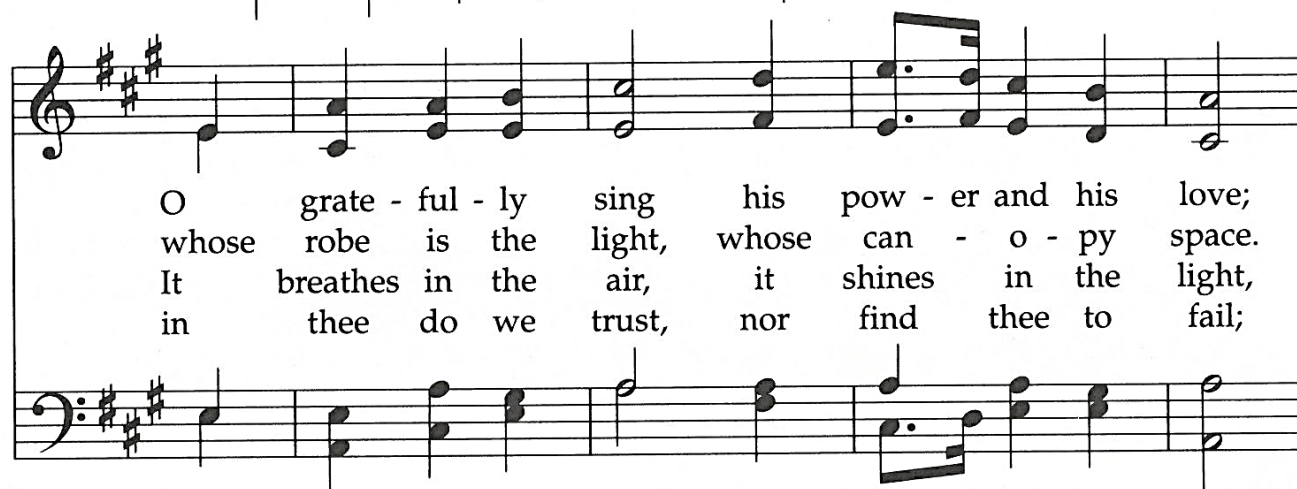
Leader: You made the heavens, even the highest heavens, and all their starry host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them.

People: **You give life to everything, and the multitudes of heaven worship you.**

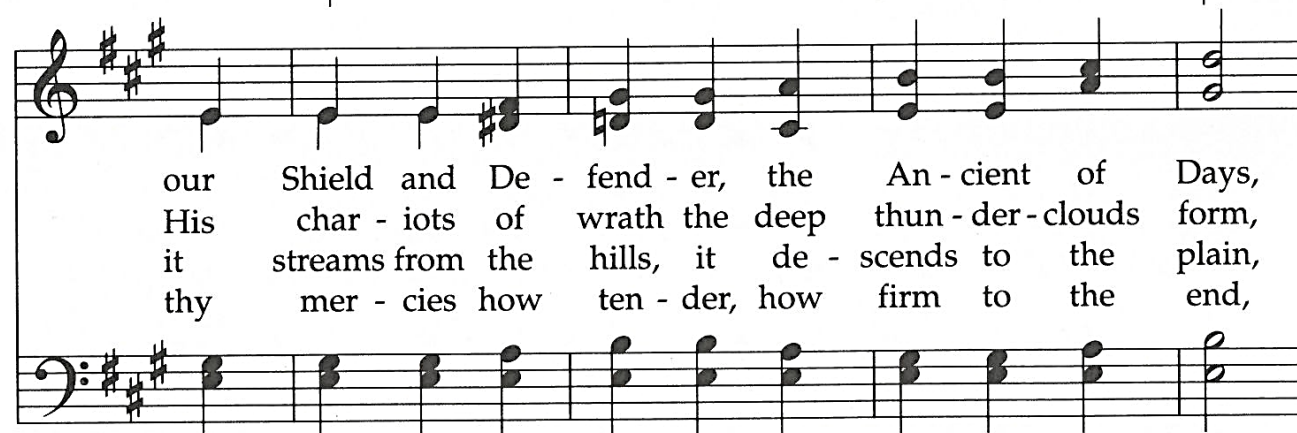
***Worship Through Singing – O worship the King–HWB #66**



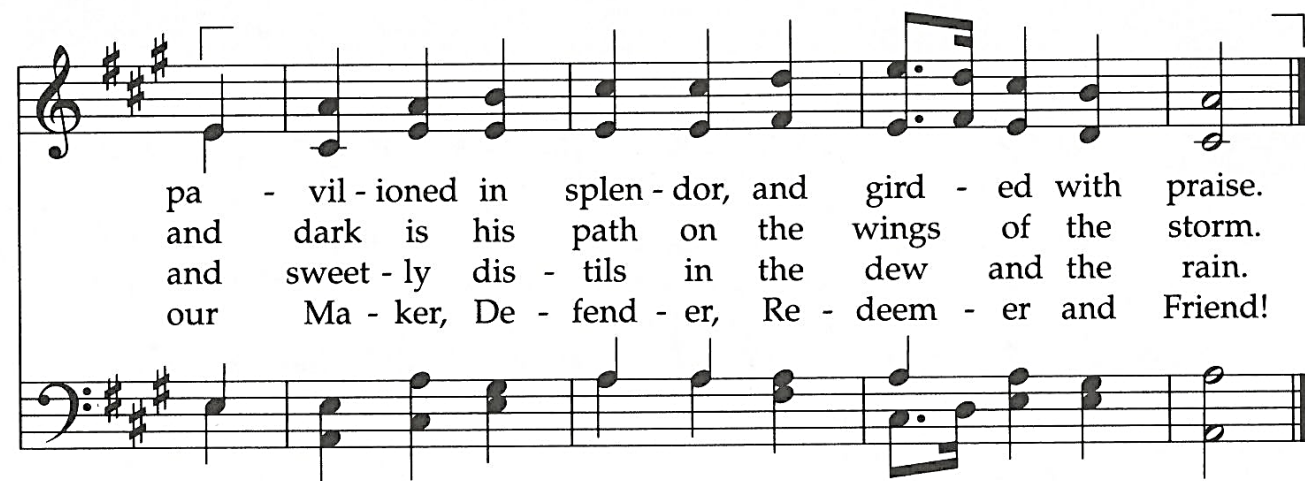
1 O wor - ship the King, all glo - rious a - bove,
2 O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
3 Thy boun - ti - ful care, what tongue can re - cite?
4 Frail chil - dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail,



O grate - ful - ly sing his pow - er and his love;
whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space.
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;



our Shield and De - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,
His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,
it streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,
thy mer - cies how ten - der, how firm to the end,



pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor, and gird - ed with praise.
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
and sweet - ly dis - tils in the dew and the rain.
our Ma - ker, De - fend - er, Re - deem - er and Friend!

***Worship Through Singing** – *Come Just As You Are*—Lyrics
Projected

Offering & Offertory – Church Budget

Lead On, O King Eternal - Arr. by Paul E. Koch The Dingers

Scripture Reading - Nehemiah 9:5-8 (p. 763)

Children's Time – Melanie Haspels

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

Worship Through Singing – Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

– VT #29

Refrain

D G/D D A

Come, now is the time to wor - ship. Come, now is the time

Em D/F# G D G/D

to give your heart. Come, just as you are, to wor -

D A Em D/F# G (D) Last time

ship. Come, just as you are, be - fore your God. Come.

(D) Last time

G D

1 One day ev - ry tongue will con - fess you are God;
2 Will - ing - ly we choose to sur - ren - der our lives.

G D G

one day ev - ry knee will bow. Will - ing - ly our knees will bow. Still, the great - est treas - ure re - mains With all our heart, soul, mind

Bm Em A sus

for those who glad - ly choose you now.
and strength, we glad - ly choose you now.

Worship Through Singing – *What A Beautiful Name* – Lyrics Projected

Congregational Prayer – Pastor Steve

Message – Pastor Steve

Our Bodies at Worship: The Language of Posture and Movement

Response Song – *Behold Our God* – Lyrics Projected

***Closing Prayer**

***Sending Song** – *Glorify Thy Name* – Lyrics Projected

***Benediction**

***Postlude** – Cindy Siemens

*Please stand if you are able

CHURCH CALENDAR

Nov. 4	7:30 p.m.	Vision Team meeting
Nov. 5	7:30 p.m.	Praise Team practice
Nov. 9	6:00 p.m.	Jr. & Sr. High Youth Groups
	6:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Address Change! Jason and Lauren Mueller have a new address: 14705 W. 1st St., Halstead. Please update your church directory!

The November/December issue of *The Upper Room* is available on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

It's meat canning season once again! Volunteers from our church will be needed at the MCC Material Resource Center in North Newton on November 5, 6 & 7 to pack the protein and send it on its way. A link to sign up to help was emailed with the bulletin packet.

The annual Mission Supper will be on Nov. 15 and your help is needed in order to host another successful event. Sign-ups for both food and workers are on the bulletin board. A link to sign-up genius was emailed with the bulletin packet if you want to sign up online. If you have questions or need help signing up, talk to a member of the Mission Supper committee (Alan, Marilyn, Lauren, Janet, Dwight and Sandy).

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Mission Ministry's toilet paper roll challenge during the month of October. In just three weeks, over 530 rolls were gathered! The rolls have been delivered to the Neighbors Store.

Care Portal Update: We have responded to a couple local needs in the last couple of weeks. A crib was delivered to grandparents in Newton who recently took in their infant grandson. Winter boots have been ordered for a Halstead Middle School student. Five people from our church assisted in removing heavy items, organizing and cleaning parts of a home and delivered a bed to a young Halstead mom. At the beginning of September, clothing and shoes for three kids was purchased for a Moundridge family. Thank you to those who have given of their resources and time to be able to meet these needs.

The Mennonite Men of Tabor Mennonite Church will be hosting their annual Chicken BBQ on Thursday, November 6, for a dine-in or to-go event from 5-7 p.m. This year's donations will go to Mission Partners Joseph and Rachel Givens and Bethesda Home. Tabor Mennonite Church is located at 891 Chisholm Trail, Newton.

Hope Mennonite Church's annual Craft Bazaar and Peppernut Sale will be held on Saturday, November 8, from 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., at 868 N. Maize Rd., Wichita. All proceeds from

the event will help support Hope Mennonite Church service projects: MCC, Camp Mennoscah, Family Promise and Justice Together. There will be live music, a bake sale featuring peppernuts, kids' activities, local vendors, Quilter's Corner, and breakfast and lunch – Cinnamon Rolls, German Sausage, Bierocks, Pie, and more. All are welcome — entry is free!

Surviving the Holidays will meet on November 13 at 6:30 p.m. at the Garden Community Church office (349 N. Old Hwy 81, Hesston). These one-night videos with discussion offer help to those who have lost a loved one due to death or divorce. There is a separate meeting for each loss. There is a \$7.00 charge for the booklet for each. This gives the participants a sense of what the 13-week GriefShare or DivorceCare seminars offer. The next seminars will be January 8-April 2. If you have any questions or for more information, please contact Larry Rowe at larryrowe1@sbcglobal.net

Mennonite Mission Network is forming a support group from the churches that support Joseph and Rachel Givens in their ministry in Calais, France. This effort is being organized in collaboration with Weldon Martens, retired pastor of Grace Hill Mennonite Church and a continuing supporter of the Givens, as a way to stay connected to their work and to pray for them. If you are interested in attending the first introductory Zoom meeting on November 18 at 7 p.m., please let Melanie know in order to get the Zoom link.

Bethel College Updates: Sun., Nov. 2 – Merrill Krabill's exhibit "Between Earth and Sky" opens, with the artist reception on the same

day, 3-4 p.m., Regier Art Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center. **Sun., Nov. 2** – Bethel Sings, a concert featuring all the Bethel College vocal groups with Dr. Russell Adrian, director, 4 p.m., Bethel College Mennonite Church. **Mon., Nov. 3** – Dr. Luke Powery of Duke Divinity School speaks in Bethel College convocation, 11 a.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center. **Tues., Nov. 11** – Bethel College Organ Recital Series presents Dr. David Pérez, 7 p.m., Administration Building chapel

Camp Mennoscah Updates: Last Day to reserve your verenike casserole is Nov. 3! The verenike casserole fundraiser is November 8, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Faith Mennonite Church, Newton. You may either drive-through and pick up your meals or dine in. A link to order meals was included in the bulletin packet email or you can call 620-297-3290. Suggested donation of \$20 per meal or \$40 per pan. **Attention potential 2026 Summer Staffers!** Camp Mennoscah will be recruiting for summer staff leadership positions at Hesston College, Tabor College, and Bethel College on November 10-12, respectively. A pizza meal for those interested will take place on November 12 (time and place TBD). Positions include office, nature, music, lifeguard, crafts and grounds/maintenance. The online application will be open no later than November 10. Contact Olivia at 620-297-3290 with questions.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

- Pray for Joyce Rodenberg and her upcoming knee surgery.
- Western District Conference: Give thanks for credentialed ministers in WDC who serve in specialized ministries as chaplains, campus pastors, educators, mission workers, administrators, campus pastors, and conference staff. Pray that God would grant them wisdom, compassion and resilience in the challenges and joys of their work.
- Mennonite Mission Network: Delicia Bravo Aguilar and Peter Wigginton, who are serving with Mennonite Mission Network, request prayer for churches in Ecuador, as members are living in times of great uncertainty and violence. Pray for their protection, as they respond with faith and integrity, naming and resisting the forces of fear and apathy. Pray also for Delicia, Peter and their two daughters as they walk alongside these churches.

SUNDAY INFORMATION

NURSERY TODAY	Marilyn Mueller, Ruth Mueller, Kalyn Ortman
PIANIST/ORGANIST	Cindy Siemens
OFFERING LAST SUNDAY	
Building Maintenance	\$100.00
Church Budget Offering	465.00
Hog Roast	100.00
Hog Roast (Sunday night)	1,935.00
MCUSA	938.00
Meat Canning	100.00
Neighbors	50.00
Wednesday Supper	65.00
Western District Conference	25.00
ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY (Bethel College Choir Sunday)	158
OFFERING NEXT SUNDAY	Harvest Mission Festival
NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY	Lauren Mueller, Maranda Whorton, Megan Ortman

Neighbors Thanksgiving Meals



We are requesting monetary
contributions to defray expenses
For Thanksgiving Meal boxes.

In 2024, we distributed meals to
36 families at an approximate
cost of \$50 per family.

Our deepest thanks for your
continued support of our mission
to assist members of our
community who are in need.

Neighbors Angel Gifts



Wish Lists
will be
available at

Troy's mid November

Gifts need to be turned in to
Neighbors by Wednesday,
December 17

Thank You for the joy you
give these children through
your generosity.