



First Mennonite Church of Halstead

November 16, 2025

*"How good it is to sing praises to our God" (Psalm 147:1, NRSV).
Let's open our hearts and minds to the One who loves us, sustains us and blesses us beyond measure.*

Gathering Music – Kent Dick

When in Our Music God is Glorified - Wilbur Held

Welcome and Announcements - Debbie Nightingale

Centering Music – Kent Dick

All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night - Robert Lau

*Call to Worship

Leader: Holy God, in reverent awe, we come to worship you!

People: We gather to honor and glorify God's almighty name.

Leader: Righteous God, we rejoice as we come to worship you!

People: We gather to celebrate God's power over the forces of evil.

Leader: Faithful God, with thankfulness, we come to worship you!

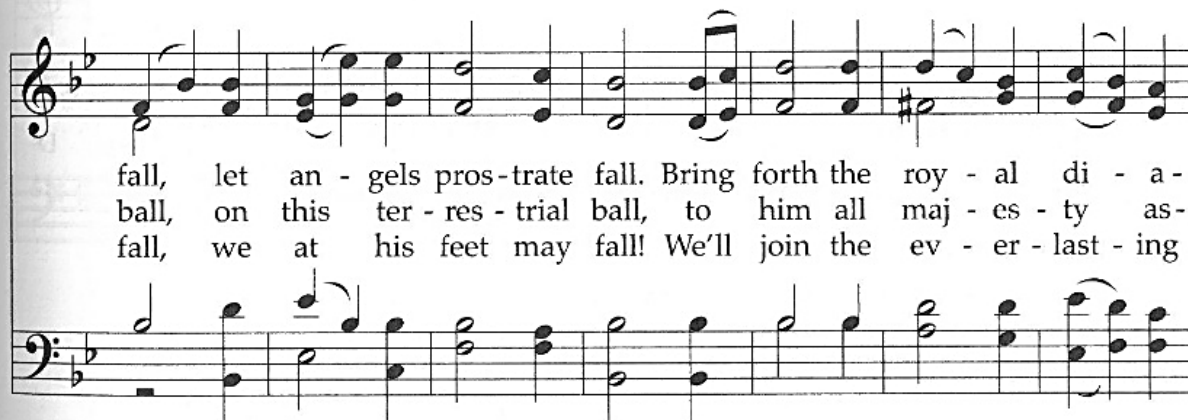
People: We gather to sing praises to the God in whom we trust. Amen.

***Worship Through Singing – All Hail the Power of Jesus'**

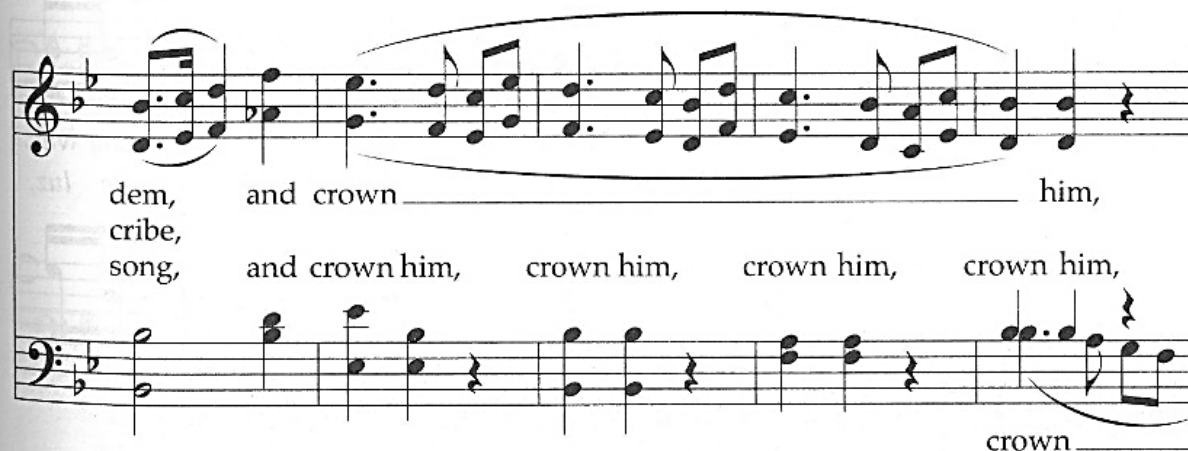
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1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an-gels pros-trate
2 Let ev - 'ry kin - dred, ev - 'ry tribe, on this ter - res - trial
3 Oh, that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may



fall, let an - gels pros-trate fall. Bring forth the roy - al di - a -
ball, on this ter - res - trial ball, to him all maj - es - ty as -
fall, we at his feet may fall! We'll join the ev - er - last - ing



dem, and crown him, crite, and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him,
song, and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him, crown



crown him, crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.
him, and crown him Lord of all.

*Worship Through Singing – Praise, I Will Praise You Lord –VT

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F C7 Dm Bb C7 F

1 Je loue-rai l'É - ter - nel de tout mon coeur, je
 1 Praise, I will praise you, Lord,
 2 Love, I will love you, Lord, with all my heart. O
 3 Serve, I will serve you, Lord,

Bb C A/C# Dm Gm G Csus C

ra - con-te-rai tou - tes tes mer-veilles, je chan-te - rai ton nom.
 God, I will tell the won-ders of your ways, and glo - ri - fy your name.

F C7 Dm Bb C7 F

Je loue-rai l'É - ter - nel de tout mon coeur, je
 Praise, I will praise you, Lord,
 Love, I will love you, Lord, with all my heart. In
 Serve, I will serve you, Lord,

Bb C A/C# Dm Gm/Bb C7 F

fe - rai de toi le su - jet de ma joie. Al - lé - lu - ia!
 you I will find the source of all my joy. Al - le - lu - ia!

Spanish

Offering & Offertory – Western District Conference

Adagio - Benedetto Marcello

Scripture Reading - Psalm 98 (p. 935)

Children's Time – Brocia Mueller

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

Worship Through Singing – *Hallelujah to the Lamb* – Lyrics Projected

Worship Through Singing – *Shout Hallelujah* – Lyrics Projected

Congregational Prayer

Message – Pastor Steve

Preparing to Welcome the King

Response Song – *Shout Hallelujah* – Lyrics Projected

***Closing Prayer**

***Sending Song** – *May the People's Praise You* – Lyrics Projected

***Benediction**

***Postlude** – Kent Dick

Rejoice, the Lord is King! - arr. Anna Laura Page

*Please stand if you are able

CHURCH CALENDAR

Nov. 19	6:30 p.m.	Adult Bells practice
Nov. 20	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Team meeting
	1:00 p.m.	Care Ministry meeting
Nov. 23	5:30 p.m.	Joyful Noise practice
	6:00 p.m.	Jr. & Sr. High Youth Groups
	6:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The deadline for the December newsletter is this Thursday, Nov. 20.

It's time to renew our group subscription to *Anabaptist World* magazine. If you would like to renew your subscription or begin a subscription, please let Melanie know by Sunday, Nov. 23. The price for one year is \$49 and can be paid to the church (put *Anabaptist World* in the memo line if paying by check). The church also receives a copy of the magazine which is available in the library.

Dear Halstead Mennonite Church, I am writing to say THANK YOU for the very generous and kind gift we recently received from your congregation to support our students here at the college! We are so very grateful for this gift. Your kindness impacts our students in many positive ways. Each of us feels your blessings of support. May God bless your congregation and your work in the Halstead area. Thank you so much! Sincerely, Forrest Miller

During the month of November, the Hospitality ministry will be gathering items for care packages to send to our college kids in December. If you would like to contribute items for the care packages, here are some ideas: chips & salsa, Ramen noodles in cups, fruit snacks, Reese's peanut butter cups, sour Skittles, tortilla chips, Tostitos jarred cheese dip and diet Dr. Pepper. Items can be put in the plastic tub under the coat rack. Thank you for blessing our college kids!

Phil Aylward's model railroad group will be displaying their model railroads at Pine Village today, Nov. 16, from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. The display will be in the Wellness Center.

The next Care Ministry meeting is on Thursday, November 20, at 1:00 p.m.

All women and girls, along with their guests, are invited to a Christmas Brunch on Saturday, December 6, at 10 a.m. We will spend some time finding joy through fellowship and conversation with those at our table. Please RSVP on the bulletin board by November 30. If you'd like to help decorate a table or provide food, please add your name to those areas on the sign-up sheet.

Everence will hold its popular Medicare workshop at its office in North Newton on Tuesday, Nov. 18, at 6:30 p.m. Topics will include, when and where to sign up for Medicare, what Medicare covers, plus an explanation of Medicare Parts A, B, C, and D. Attendance is recommended for those approaching retirement or those ready to sign up for Medicare. The in-person workshop will be held at the Everence office: 3179 N. Main St. Suite 1B, North Newton. Those interested in attending should contact the Everence office at 316-283-3800, 877-467-7294 or central.kansas@everence.com.

Give back on Giving Tuesday at MCC, Dec. 2 from 6:30-8 p.m.! Bring your family and friends to this casual, come-and-go, all-ages event. Pack hygiene kits, tie comforters, make a cardboard comforter block craft, and enjoy snacks. You can also kick off your holiday shopping by picking gifts for your friends and family from the MCC Christmas Giving Guide. Talk with Brocia if you have any questions.

Bethel College Updates: "Between Earth and Sky," multimedia ceramic works by Merrill Krabill, closes Fri., Nov. 21. The show is in the Regier Gallery in Luyken Fine Arts Center. Gallery hours are Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sun. 2-4 p.m. **Tues., Nov. 18** – Guest recital: Seraph Brass, 7 p.m., Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College. **The Bethel College Concert Choir and Wind Ensemble** will be doing a short fall tour in central Kansas, "The Heavens Are Telling," with concerts at the following: Fri., Nov. 21, 7 p.m., First Mennonite Church (52 Rambler Rd., Hutchinson); Sat., Nov. 22, 1 p.m., St. Fidelis Cathedral on the Plains (900 Cathedral Ave., Victoria); Sat., Nov.

22, 7 p.m., Manhattan Mennonite Church (1000 Fremont St., Manhattan); Sun., Nov. 23, 10:30 a.m., morning worship at Southern Hills Mennonite Church (511 SE 37th St., Topeka).

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

- Pray for Cody and Jessica Dyck and Duane Cummings with the passing of Mary this past week. Pray for them as they navigate life without her.
- Pray for John Vogt as he recovers from a recent foot surgery. Pray his recovery alleviates past issues and allows him full use of his foot.
- Continue to pray for Joyce Rodenburg as she recovers from knee surgery.
- Western District Conference: Pray for WDC congregations as they discern how to follow Jesus faithfully, practice healthy relationships, and act boldly for justice and peace in the world today.
- Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network is actively recruiting young people to participate in service programs beginning in August 2026. Pray that those whom God is calling to sign up for Mennonite Voluntary Service — with units in Arizona, California and Colorado — and Service Adventure — with units in Alaska and Colorado — will say yes.

SUNDAY INFORMATION

NURSERY TODAY

Jason Mueller, Sara Smoker, Josie Whorton

PIANIST/ORGANIST

Kent Dick

OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

Anabaptist World	\$49.00
Building Maintenance	200.00
Church Budget	4,025.00
Hog Roast	50.00
Meat Canning	50.00
Mission	1,010.00
Western District Conference	50.00

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY

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OFFERING NEXT SUNDAY

Church Budget

NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY

Shaun Ortman, Jason Smoker, Eli Wilcox