

***Membership and Church Practices:***

If you are interested in membership at Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship, or if you have questions about church practices such as communion, baptism and reconciliation, please talk with the pastor or one of our deacons:

Michael Lee  
Tana Liu-Beers  
Nick Plummer  
Sandra VanderLinde  
Isaac Villegas (pastor)

***Communication Information:***

For church-related communications, please subscribe to our **email list**. To sign up, contact Nick Plummer.

Our **website** has more information about our faith and worship, as well as the text of previous sermons: *mennonit.es/chmf*. Please direct all other questions to: [chmennonite@gmail.com](mailto:chmennonite@gmail.com).

***Relationships:***

Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship is a member of Central District Conference, a regional conference of Mennonite Church USA.

Our local Mennonite Network is a member of the NC Council of Churches, which supports efforts in our state to care for our neighbors. Links to follow these efforts can be found at [www.ncchurches.org](http://www.ncchurches.org).

This congregation contributes to the Inter-Faith Council of Chapel Hill and Open Table Ministry of Durham.

Our congregation is also a member of the Supportive Communities Network, an LGBTQ-led Anabaptist-Mennonite association of congregations. Details on the SCN can be found here: <http://www.bmclgbt.org/scn.shtml>

## Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship

September 12, 2021



*“Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart  
be acceptable in thy sight,  
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.”  
--Psalm 19:14*

Pastor: Isaac Villegas  
Song Leader: Tom Lehman  
Worship Leader: Mary Jo Lehman

### **Gathering for Worship**

Welcome and call to worship  
Opening prayer VT #863

Mary Jo Lehman

Psalms 19

Lesson: VT #881

Carols: VT #197 "God's Glory Fills the Heavens"  
VT # 180 "This is God's Wondrous World"

Proverbs 1:20-23

Lesson: VT #999

Carol: VT #196 "Come and Seek the Ways of Wisdom"

Congregational prayer

Tom Lehman

### **Proclaiming the Word**

James 3:1-12

Lesson: Petition for Wisdom

O God, grant us heavenly wisdom in all that we think and do;  
for your wisdom is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield,  
full of mercy and good fruits,  
without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy.

We give thanks, O God, for the harvest of peace and justice  
that is sown in wisdom by those who love you amid disorder  
and wickedness of every kind.

We pray that we may be wise and understanding in our life  
circumstances, through the grace of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

--Urbane Peachey

Carol: VT #144 "God, Give Me Time"

Mark 8:27-38

Lesson: VT #921

Carol: VT 577 "Count Well the Cost"

### **Responding to the Word**

Congregational response,  
sharing, prayer

Margaret Benson Nemitz  
VT #685 "O Lord, Hear My Prayer"

Introductions and announcements

Mary Jo Lehman

Sending hymn: VT #841 "As You Go Out from Here"

Benediction

### **Next Week**

Preach: Isaac Villegas

Plan: Kaitlin Heatwole

Songs: Eric Hochstetler

Prayer: Kaitlin Heatwole

Children's story: Chris Liu-Beers

Sharing: Margaret Benson Nemitz

Childcare: Sarah Marks, Chris Liu-Beers

### **Scripture for next week**

Psalms 54

Jeremiah 11:18-20

James 3:3—4:3, 7-8a

Mark 9: 30-37

### **Announcements**

**Participate:** CHMF encourages any regular attendee to participate in the service. We have rotating worship planners, song leaders, preachers, prayer leaders, discussion/sharing leaders, Scripture readers, and nursery volunteers. If you would like to be added to one or more of these lists, please contact pastor Isaac. We would welcome your help with worship.

**Tithes and Offerings:** We collect our offerings on the first Sunday of the month. After that, checks may be mailed to our treasurer, Steve Jolley.

### **Calendar**

#### **September**

19—Sunday School for the season begins at 4 PM for all children.