

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 Vander Linde
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: <https://chapelhillmennonite.org>.

Please direct all other questions to chmennonite@gmail.com.

Relationships:

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

Our 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.

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

October 10, 2021



Preacher: Nathan Hershberger
Song Leader: Tom Lehman
Worship Leader: Rebecca Rich

Childcare:
Laura Rosenberger, Aspen Yordy, Serena Welch

Gathering for Worship

Call to worship*

With reverent awe, we gather to worship the God of our ancestors.
They trusted in God, and God became their very real breath of life.

Creating God, you guided the way through our conception and birth.

We come with humble thanks,
for our God is as real to us as God was to our forebears.

We come, too, with our needs and concerns,
as life has become so complicated.

Come to us God, with your breath of new life.

Breath of Life, you have traveled with us through all our life's journey.

Holy God, today we come to worship you, and yet,
despite our sense of being a failure at times,
we can confidently say: "You are my God!"

**Within the shelter of your guiding and blessedness,
and despite our fears and doubts;
we praise and thank our Life-giving God
who has never left us or forsaken us.
All praise be to our Trustworthy God. Amen.**

Psalm 22:1-15 Nick Plummer

Hebrews 4:12-16 Carly Newman-Matthews

**Congregational prayer Zach Yordy

Proclaiming the Word

Job 23:1-9, 16-17 Sandra Vander Linde

Sermon "Longing for Intimacy" Nathan Hershberger

Responding to the Word

Congregational response, sharing, and prayer Kaitlin Heatwole

Introductions, announcements Rebecca Rich

***Singing Tom Lehman

644 Healer of our every ill
203 O God, our help in ages past
650 Alleluia

Benediction Rebecca Rich

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** Children who have not yet started kindergarten are welcome to meet at the entrance doors for childcare at this time.
*** At this time, the congregation will gather in a large circle outside the entrance to continue the service with outdoor singing together while masked.

Next Week

Plan: Sidney King
Preach: Isaac Villegas
Songs: Sarah Marks
Prayer: Tom Lehman
Sharing: Zach Yordy
Childcare: Chris Liu-Beers, Stacy Miller

Scripture for next week

Psalm 104:1-9, 24
Hebrews 5:1-10
Job 38:1-7
Job 38:16-21
Job 38:34-41

Announcements

Participate: CHMF encourages any regular attendee to participate in the service. We have rotating worship planners, song leaders, preachers, prayer leaders, response/sharing leaders, Scripture readers, and childcare 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

November
7, 3:30pm – Congregational Life Meeting