

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 one of our deacons:

Michael Lee
Thomas Lehman
Tana Liu-Beers
Nick Plummer

From the Deacons:

As we continue to feel the stresses of life and the pandemic, please speak to a deacon if you need financial assistance to access individual or family therapy services. And let us know how we can pray for you or support you in other ways.

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 congregation 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

January 15, 2023



Song Leader: Michael Lee
Worship Leader: Sidney King
Childcare: Stacy Miller & Seth Morgan

Gathering for Worship

CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 40)

L: O God, you called us by name to gather for worship, and we respond with delight and gladness.

All: In joyful obedience, we come to worship our God.

L: Rising out of the depths of despair, we gratefully gather for worship.

All: In joyful hope, we come to worship our loving God.

L: Our God had given us a new song of praise!

All: In joyful trust, we come to worship our God! Amen.

Invocation

Hymn #1 "Summoned by the God who made us" Michael Lee

Hymn #70 "Praise God from whom all blessings flow"

Congregational Prayer

Xaris Martinez

Proclaiming the Word

Isaiah 49:1-7

Psalm 40:1-11

Hymn #212 "Comfort, comfort, O my people"

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

John 1:29-42

Sermon "The path ahead"

Tom Lehman

Responding to the Word

Hymn #281 "Joyful is the dark"

Congregational response, sharing and prayer
Introductions and announcements

Kathy Roberts

Sending Hymn #640 "My shepherd will supply my need"

Benediction

**Children who have not yet started kindergarten are welcome to meet at the entrance doors for childcare at this time.*

Next Week

Plan: Sandra Vander Linde

Songs: Jen Peifer

Prayer: Catherine Lee

Sharing: Rebecca Rich

Sermon: Stacy Miller

Childcare: Kathy Roberts & Eric Hochstetler

Snacks: Liu-Beers

Scriptures

Isaiah 9:1-4

Psalm 27:1-4

1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Matthew 4:12-23

Announcements

Pastoral Search: Isaac Villegas concluded pastoral ministry at CHMF in May 2022. The church has created a Pastoral Search Committee to find a replacement. Search committee members include Kathy Roberts (chair), Steve Jolley, Erin Mullaney, Zach Yordy, and Rebecca Rich.

They will regularly update and involve the congregation at appropriate times in the process. Please contact any of us with ideas or questions.

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 Aspen Yordy, interim coordinator. 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

January 15: Sunday school

January 22: Sunday school

January 25: Fellowship dinner @ Mauro-Rosenberger

January 29: Communion and Potluck

Date TBD: Youth group ski trip