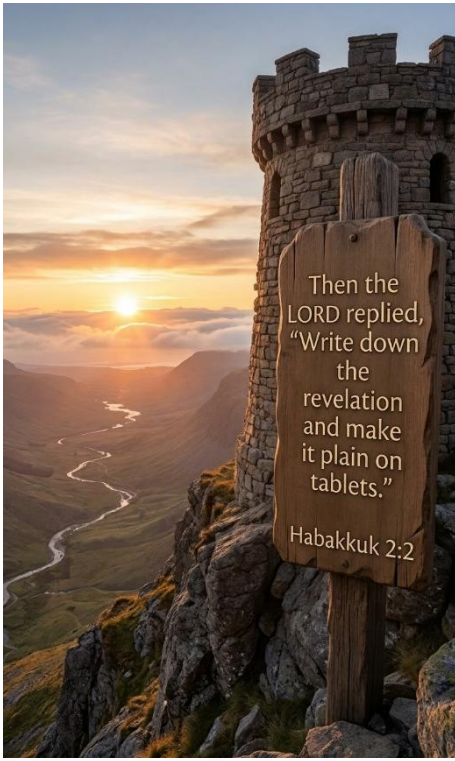




First Mennonite Church of Halstead

October 25, 2026

Give us eyes to see where you are leading, ears to hear what you are saying, and a heart that is soft to the thoughts and ideas of others.

Gathering Music - Kent Dick

He Leadeth Me - L.N. Porter

Welcome and Announcements - Pastor Steve

Call to Worship/Centering Music - Kent Dick

Be Thou My Vision - Lloyd Larson

*Worship Through Singing – God of grace and God of glory –

HWB #366

CWM RHONDDA 87. 87. 87 extended

1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils

pour thy pow'r. Crown thine an - cient church's sto - ry, bring her
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us, free our
 thy con - trol. Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in
 we de - plore. Let the search for thy sal - va - tion be our

bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

***Worship Through Singing** - *Spirit of the Living God* – Lyrics
Projected

Offering & Offertory - MC USA

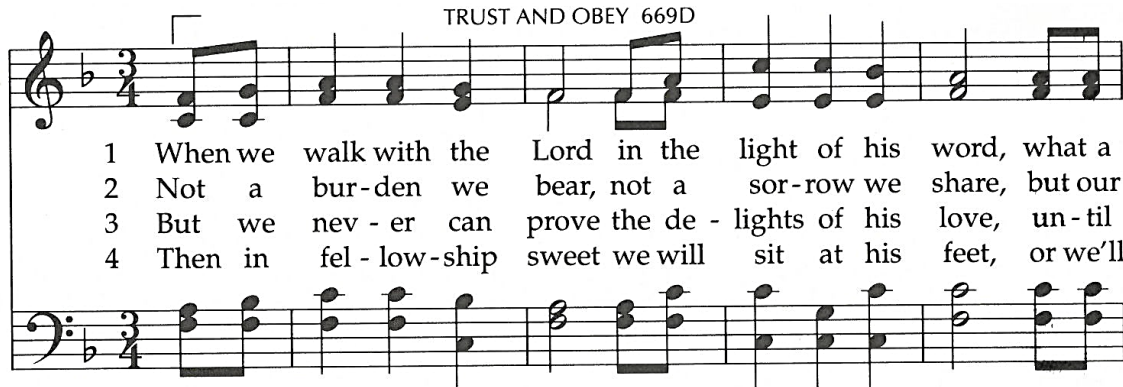
Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide - Robert Hughes Kent Dick

Scripture - Proverbs 29:18, Joel 2:28, Habakkuk 2:1-3

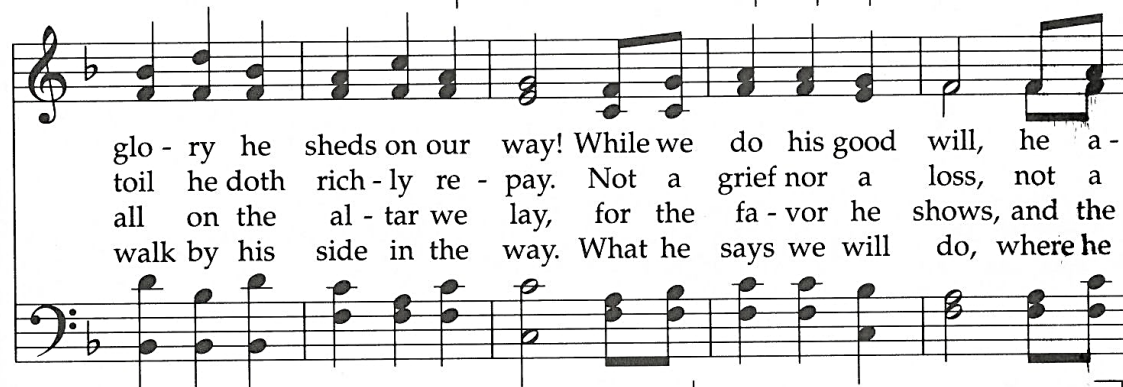
Worship Through Singing - *When we walk with the Lord* - HWB

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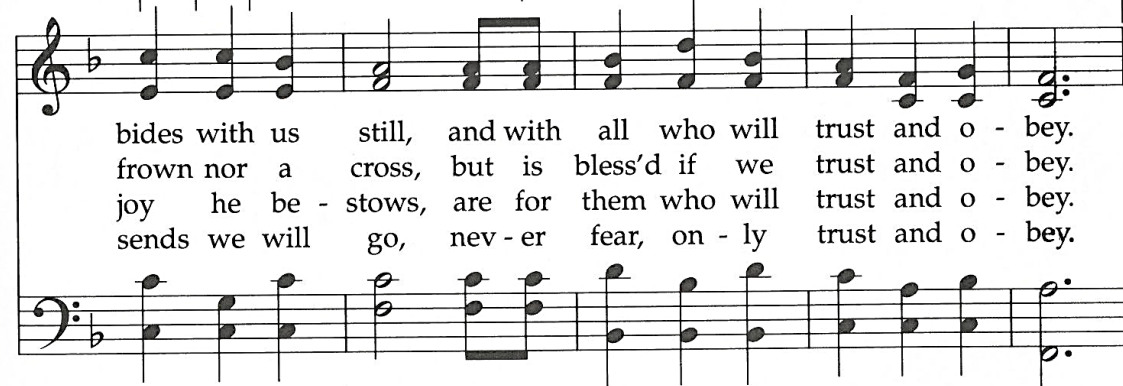
TRUST AND OBEY 669D



1 When we walk with the Lord in the light of his word, what a
2 Not a bur-den we bear, not a sor-row we share, but our
3 But we nev - er can prove the de - lights of his love, un - til
4 Then in fel - low-ship sweet we will sit at his feet, or we'll

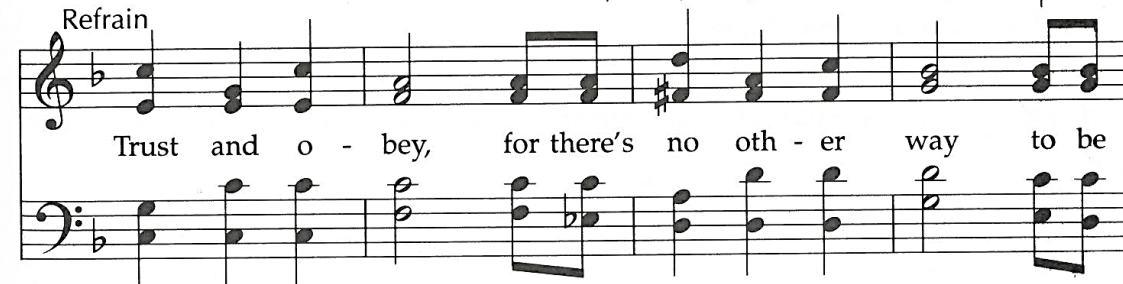


glo - ry he sheds on our way! While we do his good will, he a -
toil he doth rich - ly re - pay. Not a grief nor a loss, not a
all on the al - tar we lay, for the fa - vor he shows, and the
walk by his side in the way. What he says we will do, where he

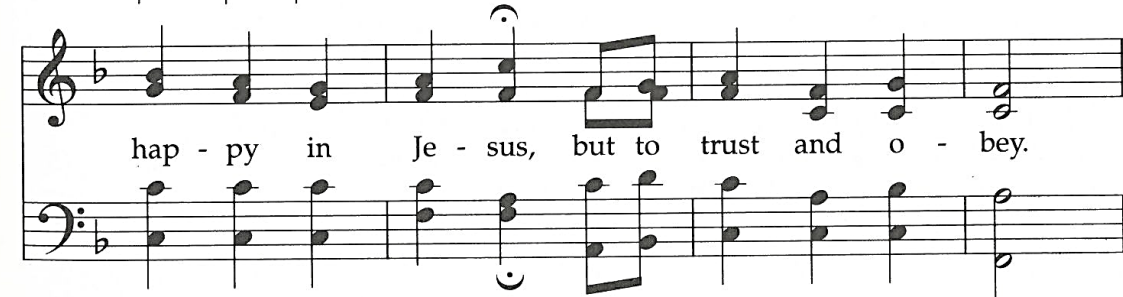


bides with us still, and with all who will trust and o - bey.
frown nor a cross, but is bless'd if we trust and o - bey.
joy he be - stows, are for them who will trust and o - bey.
sends we will go, nev - er fear, on - ly trust and o - bey.

Refrain



Trust and o - bey, for there's no oth - er way to be



hap - py in Je - sus, but to trust and o - bey.

Children's Time - Brocia Mueller

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

Congregational Prayer - Pastor Steve

Message - Pastor Steve

Looking Ahead

***Response Song - Be thou my vision - HWB #545**

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1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, be thou my true word;
 3 Be thou my buck - ler, my sword for the fight.
 4 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain emp - ty praise;
 5 High King of heav - en, when vic - t'ry is won

1 naught be all else to me save that thou art.
 2 I ev - er with thee, and thou with me, Lord.
 3 Be thou my dig - ni - ty, thou my de - light,
 4 thou mine in - her - it - ance, now and al - ways.
 5 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!

1 Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 2 Thou my great Fa - ther, thy child may I be,
 3 thou my soul's shel - ter, thou my high tower.
 4 Thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 5 Heart of my heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

1 wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.
 2 thou in me dwell - ing, and I one with thee.
 3 Raise thou me heav'n - ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
 4 High King of heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.
 5 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

***Benediction**

***Instructions for Focus Groups**

***Postlude** - Kent Dick

Praise Him! Praise Him! - Mary McDonald

*Please stand if you are able

CHURCH CALENDAR

Oct. 25	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	11:00 a.m.	Focus Groups
	12:30 p.m.	Lunch
	6:00 p.m.	Jr. & Sr. High Youth Groups
	6:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study
Oct. 28	6:00 p.m.	Mission Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Bell Choir Practice
Oct. 29	1:00 p.m.	Care Team Meeting
Nov. 1	12:00 p.m.	Lauten Bells Practice
	5:00 p.m.	Mobile Potluck

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

The November newsletter deadline is tomorrow, October 26.

The congregational review will take place today following the worship service. Here is the schedule for the morning:

9:15 – 9:50 a.m. – Sunday School

10:00 – 10:45 a.m. – Worship Service

11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. – Focus Groups

12:30 p.m. – Lunch for all in Stauffer Hall

If you are unable to be part of a focus group today, we invite you to fill out the questions and return them to Melanie Haspels'

mailbox by next Sunday, November 1. If you need a copy of the questions, please contact Melanie.

MCC Meat Canning invites volunteers into each part of the canning process, from chopping meat to labeling cans. Talk to Casey about volunteering October 27, 28, and/or 29 or sign up at this link: tinyurl.com/MeatCanning2026 (it was also sent with the bulletin packet). A sign-up sheet to provide food for volunteers on Wednesday night is on the bulletin board and a link was sent with the bulletin packet. If you would like to support in other ways, consider putting a donation in the offering plate or dropping your old hand towels under the coat rack. There's a place for everyone!

The Hospitality Ministry invites a small group of people to join in the trial run of a Mobile Potluck on November 1 at 5 p.m. at Dick and Marj Van Wye's house. It is our hope to bring fellowship to people that can no longer attend in person. People attending will bring all the food and supplies to enjoy a meal together. A sign-up sheet will be posted, as the number will be limited. If you would be interested in a Mobile Potluck coming to your home in the future, please let Pastor Steve or a member of the Hospitality Ministry know (Kaitlen, Cindy, Brocia, Raquel, Erica, Mick and Kalyn).

The Mission Supper will be November 21, and we need your help! Sign up sheets for food and workers are on the bulletin board. A link for both was sent with the bulletin packet.

The Swiss Mennonite Cultural and Historical Association annual banquet will be held at Eden Mennonite Church in Moundridge on November 12 at 6 p.m. The guest speaker will be Kate Brubacher. The cost of the meal is \$25, payable at the door or on our website, swissmennonite.org. RSVP by email to Dave Stucky at bigdstucky@gmail.com.

Hesston College Updates: Fri., Oct. 30 - Hesston College Softball is excited to announce a new event, Larktoberfest: Fall Fun at the Diamond on Friday, October 30. Come for a softball scrimmage versus Fort Hays Tech Northwest at 5 p.m. and stay for this family-friendly fall festival for the entire community featuring a bounce house, games, food, trunk-or-treat and face painting.

Request for singers - Community singers are invited to join

Hesston College for "Let All the People Praise," an evening of thanksgiving for choir, brass, organ and percussion, featuring John Rutter's "Gloria." There will be four rehearsals leading up to the Masterworks concert on November 21 at 7 p.m. Visit hesston.edu/masterworks for more information and details on how to sign up.

Bethel College Updates: Sun., Oct. 25 & Mon., Oct. 26 – Annual Menno Simons Lectures, with Dr. Gerald Mast, Bluffton University. First lecture: Sun., Oct. 25, 7 p.m., "The Holiness of War and the Victory of Peace in Anabaptist Figural Bible Reading"; second, Mon., Oct. 26, 11 a.m., "The Violence of the Bible and the Gospel of Peace"; third, Mon., Oct. 26, 7 p.m., "The Bride of Christ and the Unity of the Church in Anabaptist Figural Bible Reading." All in Krehbiel Auditorium in Luyken Fine Arts Center at Bethel College, with audience discussion following each lecture. Free and open to the public. **Wed., Oct. 28** – 9:30 a.m., "Hearing Technology of the Future," Barbara Jozsa; 10:50 a.m., "Stories of Hosting Bethel College Students," Delora Decker and Karin Kaufman Wall. **Sun., Nov. 1** – Bethel Sings, a concert featuring all Bethel College vocal groups, Dr. Russell Adrian, director, 4 p.m., Bethel College Mennonite Church

Camp Mennoscah Update: Camp Mennoscah's annual meeting will be combined with their verenike casserole fundraiser on November 7 at Faith Mennonite Church in Newton. The verenike casserole meal will begin at 5:30 p.m. and the annual meeting at 6:00 p.m. If you would like your meal(s) to go, drive-thru begins at 5:00 p.m. The meal consists of verenike casserole, seasoned green beans, zweiback, and fruit crisp. Reservations for meals can be made by calling 620-297-3290 or by using the link sent in the bulletin packet. Cost is by donation with a suggested donation of \$20/meal, \$40/pan.) If you are interested in helping with set-up, serving, or greeting, please reach out to timothy.schrag@campmennoscah.org.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

- Western District Conference: May God guide our church communities to be faithful witnesses of Jesus, rooted in love and justice, and instruments of shalom wherever God has placed them. Amen.
- Mennonite Mission Network: As Halloween approaches and children across the U.S. go trick-or-treating, while adults and teenagers attend Halloween parties, pray for the safety and good decision-making for all participating.

SUNDAY INFORMATION

NURSERY TODAY

No nursery today

PIANIST/ORGANIST

Kent Dick

OFFERING LAST SUNDAY

Care Portal	\$500.00
Church Budget	1,000.00
Hog Roast	100.00
Hog Roast (Sunday night)	2,162.00
MCUSA	100.00
Meat Canning	1,375.00
Wednesday Supper	92.00
Western District Conference	916.00

ATTENDANCE ON LAST SUNDAY

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OFFERING NEXT SUNDAY

Church Budget

NURSERY NEXT SUNDAY

Lauren Mueller, Shaun Ortman, Megan Ortman