

God's People Gather to Worship

Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, to acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other. I Thessalonians 5:12-13

For our guests

- The guestbook and name tags are at the Welcome Table, as well as a small gift for our first-time visitors.
- There is opportunity for introduction of guests during the pre-service time.
- Large print hymnals and hearing devices are available. Ask a greeter or any one of the ushers.

Caring for our children – Professionally-staffed child care is offered beginning at 9:20 am.

- **Toddler Nursery** for newborns through age 2, including a nursing nook, and crib room.
- **Preschool Nursery** for ages 3-5 (Pre-K), in Room 11.
- **Children's Time** during worship. Children are invited to come to the platform.

Following Worship

- **Christian Education** for adults begins at 11:00 am. See the classes listed below.
- **Caring and Sharing** time is available in the center Fellowship Area.

Christian Education	
Children	
10:45 am	
Gather 'Round (ages 3-1st)	Room 11
<i>SHINE Curriculum</i>	
Nursery	Nursery
3 & 4 year olds	Rooms 13 & 14
Grades K-1	Room 11
Grades 2 & 3	Room 12
Grades 4 & 5	Room 9
Grades 6-8	Room 8
Adults & Teens	
The New Jim Crow David Harnish & Amy Reiman, Leaders, Classroom 4	
What Did Jesus Mean? Darryl Miller, Leader, Conference Room	
High School Study Pastor Tim Schrag Leader, Rooms 5 & 7	

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Get connected! For more information on any of the following ministries, contact the office.	
* Junior & Youth Choirs	* Area Clusters
* Junior High Fellowship	* Mennonite Women
* Senior High Fellowship	* Book Studies
* Young Families	* Homebuilders
* Women's Bible Studies	* Seniors Events
* Next Man's Bible Study	* Parish Nurse

Order of Worship February 26, 2017

Community Life	Pastor Jane Roeschley	
Scripture Focus	Rochelle Augspurger	
	Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Matthew 5:5-6	
Prelude	Dorothy Loepf	
Call to Worship		
*Hymn	Wayne Hochstetler	
	<i>I Owe the Lord a Morning Song</i> STJ 112	
*Prayer		
Worship Music	<i>Good, Good Father</i>	Andreas Unzicker, Clara Unzicker & Alena Culbertson
Children's Time	Laura Dick	
Offering		
Sharing and Congregational Prayer	HWB 720 & 348	
	O Lord, hear our prayer. O Lord hear our prayer. When we call, answer us. O Lord, hear our prayer. O Lord, hear our prayer. Come and listen to us.	
*Hymn	<i>We Are People of God's Peace</i>	HWB 407
Scripture	I Thessalonians 5: 1-14	Sophie Charles
Sermon	<i>The Little Things May Be the Big Things</i>	Krista Dutt, MCC
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*Hymn	<i>Take My Life</i>	HWB 389
*Benediction		
*Postlude and Dismissal		
	*Please stand as you are able.	
	Parents/Caregivers, please note that Children's CE dismisses at 11:45.	
	Please remember to silence your cell phone.	

Weekly Calendar

Today	Pre-Service Prayer	9:00 am
	Worship	9:30 am
	CE for Children	10:45 am
	CE for Adults	10:45 am
	Junior High Youth	5:00 pm
	Senior High Youth	5:00 pm
	Junior Choir	6:00 pm
	Youth Choir	6:45 pm
	Homebuilders	7:00 pm
Tues Feb 28	Lenten Drama Rehearsal	6:30 pm
Wed Mar 1	Ash Wednesday Worship	6:30 pm
Thu Mar 2	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am
	Youth Ministry Comm.	6:00 pm

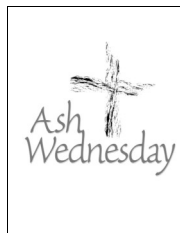
Welcome Krista! We welcome Krista Dutt to the pulpit this Sunday. Krista is a graduate of Bluffton University (1999) and AMBS (2002). She is currently working with MCC Great Lakes as a Church Relations Associate and as Program Coordinator of Chicago. Before her time at MCC, she worked at Discovering Opportunities for Outreach and Reflection for ten years. Krista is married to Jim Parker and has a 4-year-old son, Ben. They worship with River City Community Church in Chicago.

Homebuilders Tonight at 7:00 PM at the MRC Community Building. The speaker is Charlotte Alvarez, who is a staff attorney for the Immigration Project. She will give an overview of the Immigration Project work, talk about some of the difficulties, including the recent ban, and respond to questions. All are invited.

59th Annual Illinois Mennonite Relief Sale, March 17-18, Interstate Center, Bloomington. Today is the last day to order pie crusts. A sign up sheet for pie crusts is available in the Atrium. Also available in the Atrium are volunteer sign ups. Please consider volunteering. Questions? Roelie Homan (662-6426) or Gerry Schrock (452-7345).

Upcoming Events

- March 4** Central District Conference
Regional Mtg in Champaign
- March 17-18** Illinois Relief Sale
- March 24** Bethel College Choir Concert
- March 31-April 1** Illinois Mennonite Conference Annual Assembly
- May 5-7** Illinois Mennonite Conference Women's Retreat, Menno Haven
- June 22-24** Central District Conference
- July 4-8** Mennonite USA Assembly and Convention



Ash Wednesday Worship Wednesday, March 1, 7 pm

As we enter into the season of Lent, our Ash Wednesday Meditative Service is a time of scripture & singing, confession & reflection, and the opportunity for marking with ashes.

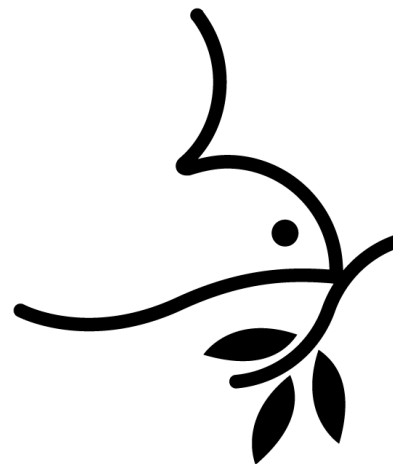
MCN Spending Plan Status

Thank you for your offerings.

January Income \$34,190.61

January Expenses \$39,858.07

Attendance on Feb 19 was 164.



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Offering Christ's peace to hearts, homes, community and world