

Mennonite Church of Normal

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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 (age 3-1st grade)	Room 11
Nursery (newborn – age 3)	Room 3
<i>SHINE: Living in God’s Light Curriculum</i>	
PreK (3 & 4 year olds)	Rooms 13 & 14
Kindergarten & Grade 1	Room 11
Grades 2	Room 12
Grades 3 – 5	Room 9
Youth	
10:45 am	
Grades 6 – 8	Room 8
High School	Rooms 5 & 7
Adults	
Sermon Response Class Steve Stenger, Janet Wilson, and Roger Clemmons, leaders, Room 4 (by kitchen)	
Adult Bible Study Judy Hershberger, and Lynette Miller, Leaders, Conference Rm (Rm 2)	
Caring and Sharing	Fellowship Area

Mennonite Church of Normal	
Vision and Mission	
The Mennonite Church of Normal is a nurturing Anabaptist community that fosters the Christ-centered spiritual growth of all people. As followers of Jesus, we aspire to transform our communities and world into places of peace, healing, and hope.	
Through our worship, Christian Education for all ages, fellowship, and service to others in love, the Mennonite Church of Normal lives out Anabaptist values of peace, reconciliation, discipleship, and community. Our belief in Jesus calls us to pray, share our faith, work toward peace and social justice, and create a culture of care and generosity.	
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Lauren Satchwell, Interim Administrative Assistant church@normalmennonite.org	

Order of Worship September 3, 2017

Community Life		Pastor Tim Schrag
Prelude		Dorothy Loepp
Call to Worship		Lynette Miller
*Hymns	<i>Holy, Holy, Holy!</i> <i>God Is Here Among Us</i>	Cindy Ropp HWB 120 HWB 16
*Prayer		
Child Dedication	<i>Marjorie Weaver Kasongo</i>	
Children’s Time		Alena Culbertson
Offering		
Prayer of Confession		HWB 699
Sharing and Congregational Prayer		
*Hymn	<i>All Will Be Well</i>	STJ 98
Scripture Reading	1 Kings 8:25-27a, 1 Corinthians 3:16-17	Lois Hochstetler
Sermon	<i>805 S. Cottage, and Generosity</i>	
Silent Reflection		
*Hymn	<i>Love Divine, All Loves Excelling</i>	HWB 592
*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
	Blood Pressures Taken	10:45 am
	CE for Adults	11:00 am
Mon Sept 4	Church Office Closed for Labor Day	
Tue Sept 5	Worship Committee	5:00 pm
Thu Sept 7	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am



Please pray for those impacted by Hurricane Harvey and the severe flooding on the Texas Gulf Coast. MDS is closely monitoring the situation and is preparing for short and long term responses.

MDS is accepting financial donations for its recovery efforts, which can be given at <https://mds.mennonite.net/donate/hurricane-harvey-donate-form/>

or by check and made payable to: Mennonite Disaster Service, 583 Airport Rd, Lititz, PA 17543. Designate "Hurricane Harvey" on the memo line.

MDS Trip, Greenbrier, West Virginia, Oct. 15-21
Join in housing rehab following serious flooding in Greenbrier, WV. It will be a joint Joliet-Normal group the week of October 15-21. More info at <https://mds.mennonite.net/volunteer-opportunity/greenbrier-county-wv/> To sign up or ask further questions see Pastor Jane.

MCN Spending Plan Status

Thank you for your offerings.
Year-to-date Income \$279,296
Year-to-date Expenses \$315,816
July Income \$62,525
July Expenses \$37,490
Attendance on August 27 was 180.

Today

The new Sunday school year begins for children and youth. Room numbers are listed on the lower left inside of the bulletin. The curriculum for the PreK through 5rd grade is called, "Shine: Living in God's Light." Snacks are provided during Sunday school. If you have a child with food allergies, please let your teacher and Beth Reeser know. Thank you to all who volunteered to teach Sunday School!

PreK (3 & 4 year olds)	Helen Brandon
Kindergarten & Grade 1	Annette Harnish
Grades 2	Rick Reha, Spring & Shannon Neely, Beth & Andy Reeser
Grades 3 – 5	Chris Culbertson
Grades 6 – 8	Laura Dick
High School	Pastor Matt Hickman

New Adult Sunday School Options

Next Week new Adult Sunday School classes will begin. There are three options available:

Trauma and Healing In this class the following aspects of trauma will be addressed: definitions, common responses, effects of unhealed trauma, ways to break the cycle of trauma, and the church's response to trauma. Some members of the congregation who have experienced trauma will tell their stories. Local agencies who work with trauma survivors will address the class. The class can be meaningful to anyone because trauma has touched many lives.

The Reason for God is a discussion class led by Cory Culbertson. Material will be based on the book The Reason for God: Belief in the Age of Skepticism.

Adult Uniform Series is entitled "Covenant with God" and explores the major covenants God has made with people on behalf of the earth and the human community. Covenant forms the foundation for the coming Messiah and salvation for the world. Darrel Miller will be teaching this class.



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