

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	
11:00 am	
Sermon Response, Tim Schrag, Leader, Room 4	
Adult Bible Study—Covenant with God, Darrel Miller, Leader, Conference Room (Room 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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Order of Worship November 26, 2017

Community Life		Pastor Tim Schrag
Ministry Moment	Mississippi Construction & Friendship Building Trip	
Prelude		Dorothy Loepp
Call to Worship		Darrel Miller
*Hymns	<i>We Gather Together</i> <i>Come, Ye Thankful People</i>	Jenell Ulrich HWB 17 HWB 94
*Prayer		
Children’s Time		Louise Reeser
Worship Music	<i>You’ve Got a Place at the Welcome Table</i>	Junior Choir
Offering		
Sharing and Congregational Prayer with the Lord’s Prayer		
*Hymn	<i>O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God</i>	STJ 46
Scripture Reading	James 1:19-26	Mary Dyck
Sermon	<i>Be Quick, Be Slow</i>	
Silent Reflection		
*Hymn	<i>Move in Our Midst</i>	HWB 418
*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	11:00 am
	Jr. Choir	6:00 pm
	Youth Choir	6:45 pm
	Adult Choir	7:30 pm
Thu Nov 30	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am

Of Note

All Sharing and Prayer Requests to Pastor Tim During Advent - Please write out or send by email to Pastor Tim all items for sharing and prayer for Sunday worship. There is no open microphone sharing during Advent.

Coats and Winter Gear for Returning Citizens Jobs Partnership, a ministry that assists citizens returning to society from prison, is in need of winter coats, hats, gloves, and boots for men and women. New or *good* used items may be collected in the red tub in the Atrium for the next month (until Dec 10). Questions - ask Mary Jantze.

Thank you to all that came and donated to the MYF Fundraiser Congregational Meal last Sunday! Tentative totals indicate a net profit of over \$1,400! A huge thank you to Gerry Schrock who led the dedicated Youth!

The Student Mutual Aid Program will be making the spring college semester tuition payments in about one month. This is a reminder and a request to please make your contributions in the next three weeks so we have a better idea where we stand for our balance. Thanks again for your continued support of this valuable program!

Upcoming Events

Exploring Your Fit CE Class - January - March 2018 A good "fit" between *who* we are and *how* we serve God and others offers the best chance for meaning, significance and joy to result. It also reduces frustrations and disappointments. Exploring Your Gift class takes a look at how God made you - personality type, natural gifts, spiritual gifts, season of life, Enneagram, and more - in order to think about where you "best fit" in serving in the church and community. Please contact Pastor Jane to register.

Northwest Neighborhood Community Center Christmas Party! December 2nd, 2017. 5-7pm If you are interested in volunteering for this event, they are looking for help with set up/clean up, meal prep and servers, and activity leaders. If interested in helping with food, contact Jordan at jwilie77@gmail.com. There is also a need for gift card donations. If you can donate a gift card, please give to Amy Reiman.

Camp Friedenswald is Coming to MCN! You are invited to join us on Monday, December 4th at 6:30pm at MCN for an update from Camp. As a Builder or friend of Camp Friedenswald, we want to thank you for your continued support, and to share all that has happened in 2017. If possible, RSVP by November 27 to 269-476-9744 or jenna@friedenswald.org.

Save the Date: All Church Winter Retreat at Camp Friedenswald is January 26-28! Questions can be directed to Shelly/Darvis King or Marge Nester. Details & sign up coming in December.

Help Us Bring Down the Deficit!



MCN Spending Plan Status
 Thank you for your offerings.
 Year-to-date Income \$429,466
 Year-to-date Expenses \$441,432
 October Income \$60,529
 October Expenses \$42,858
 Attendance on Nov. 19 was 185.



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