

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 – All Invited

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

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.

Christian Education

Children and Youth 10:45 am

Gather 'Round (age 3-1st grade) Room 11
Nursery (newborn – age 3) Room 3
PreK (3 & 4 year olds) Rooms 13 & 14
Kindergarten & Grade 1 Room 11
Grades 2 Room 12
Grades 3 – 5 Room 9
Grades 6 – 8 Room 8
High School Rooms 5 & 7

Adults 11:00 am

Exploring Your Fit, Pastor Jane Roeschley, Leader, North Mezzanine
Adult Bible Study—Faith in Action, Darrel Miller, Leader, Conference Room (Room 2)
Extreme Grandparenting, Steve Stenger & Joe Culpepper, Leaders, Room 4 (by Kitchen)
Caring and Sharing Fellowship Area

Tim Schrag, Senior Pastor
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Jane Roeschley, Associate Pastor
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Lynn Reha, Office Manager
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Chris Culbertson, Children's Ministry Leader
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Order of Worship January 7, 2018

Epiphany

Let It Be.....

*Drawn by the light, we, like Magi, are sent forth in new directions.
We are empowered to be God's illuminating presence in the world.
Arise, shine, for the mystery of Christ has been revealed!*

Community Life	Pastor Tim Schrag
Prelude	Denise Hedberg
Call to Worship	Henry Dick
*Hymns	Barry Weaver <i>As with Gladness Men of Old Hope is a Candle</i> HWB 218 STS 15
*Prayer	
Children's Time	Pastor Jane Roeschley
Wonder & Wisdom	Joe Warfel, Joe Culpepper
Offering	
Commissioning for New Staff	Chris Culbertson, Lauren Satchwell, Lynn Reha
Congregational Prayer	
*Hymn	<i>Morning Star, O Cheering Sight!</i> HWB 214
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 60:1-3, Matthew 2:1-12
Sermon	<i>The Light that Was, and is to Come</i>
Silent Reflection	
Confession and Words of Assurance	
*Hymn	<i>O Worship the Lord in the Beauty</i> HWB 220
*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.*

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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
	Youth Groups	5:00 pm
Tue Jan 9	Wellness Committee	5:30 pm
	Church Board	6:30 pm
Wed Jan 10	Peace & Justice	5:00 pm
	Pastoral Council	6:30 pm
Thur Jan 11	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am
	Outreach Committee	5:00 pm

Of Note

2017 Finances The Financial Stewardship Committee is very pleased to report that 2017 income exceeded expenses by \$3800. THANK YOU for responding to God's call with your generous donations.

Mennonite Women is Cancelled for Mon., Jan. 8.

Oops! If you were given Number 127 offering envelopes, please let the church office know. We will need to reassign that number. Thanks!

Lost and Found There are a number of items in the lost and found. Unclaimed items will be removed on January 17th

Returning Citizens Care Kits, Co-Sponsored by Peace & Justice and Outreach Committees. We are collecting Returning Citizens Care Kits for persons returning to our community from prison. Lists of items are available in the Midweek Connection or by the red tub in the atrium. Gently used backpacks or small duffle bags are also needed. Please bring to the red tub in the atrium.

Today

Today is the deadline for MDS Trip registration: Please sign up for the February 11-17, 2018 MDS trip to Coastal Bend, Texas today. See Pastor Jane to register.

Upcoming Events

Next Sunday, Jan 14, the Church Board will hold another quarterly "Listening Session" during the Christian Education Hour. The topic is 2-fold: 1) reporting back to you the difference these sessions have made for the Board; 2) To solicit your feedback regarding LGBTQ issues. Material is in your mailboxes to help you prepare.

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. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the atrium.



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A congregation of
Mennonite Church USA

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MCN Spending Plan Status
Thank you for your offerings.
Year-to-date Income \$532,180
Year-to-date Expenses \$528,302
December Income \$60,439
December Expenses \$48,356
Attendance on December 31 was 138.

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