

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

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.

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Order of Worship April 1, 2018

Easter

He is Risen!

All God's covenants and promises become incarnate for us in Jesus, God's son,
in whom all things will be fulfilled.

Community Life		Pastor Tim Schrag
Prelude		Dorothy Loepp
Call to Worship		Pastor Jane Roeschley
*Hymns	<i>Christ the Lord is Risen Today</i> <i>Lift Your Glad Voices</i>	Wayne Hochstetler HWB 280 HWB 275
*Prayer		
Children's Time		Shelly King
Worship Music	<i>Did I Hear You Say?</i>	Junior Choir
Scripture Proclamation	Psalm 118: 1-2, 19-29	Adam Reiman
Offering		
Worship Music	<i>On that Great, Great Mornin'</i>	Easter and Youth Choirs
Sharing and Congregational Prayer		HWB 747
*Hymn	<i>Sing with all the Saints in Glory</i>	STS 92
Scripture Proclamation	John 20:1-18	Emma King
Sermon	<i>From Some Light to Sunlight</i>	
Worship Music	<i>This is What is Meant by Love</i>	Easter Choir
Communion Service	<i>Be Present at Our Table, Lord</i> <i>Taste and See (chorus only)</i> <i>Eat This Bread</i>	HWB 457 STJ 86 HWB 471
*Hymns	<i>I am the Bread of Life</i> <i>Praise God From Whom</i>	HWB 472 HWB 118
*Benediction		
*Postlude and Dismissal		

*Please stand as you are able.
Please remember to silence your cell phone.

Weekly Calendar

Today	Pre-Service Prayer	9:00 am
	Worship	9:30 am
	Blood Pressures Taken	10:45 am
Thu Apr 5	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am
	MEDA Gathering	7:00 pm

Today

We celebrate Communion in worship today. In preparation, we are all encouraged to engage in self-examination—of both our relationship with God, and with others. We also receive specially designated gifts for our Mutual Aid Fund on Communion Sundays, as a means of assisting others in needs through being the Body of Christ.

Lilies: The Worship Committee has placed lilies at the front of the church. If you would like to take one home, or to your neighbor or someone who can't be here, please do so. A suggested donation of \$5 should be marked as Flower Donation and placed in the offering plate or the church office.

Upcoming Events

Inside MEDA: Thursday, April 5 at 7:00 pm
You're invited to an Inside MEDA event hosted by Eric and Chellie Miller at the MRC Building. Come to enjoy light snacks, and each other's company, as we hear stories from the Millers' visit to MiCredito in Nicaragua, Bethany Nussbaum's trip to Myanmar, and experience a day in the life of a MEDA farmer. Please RSVP, text or call, to Eric (309.831.6585) or Chellie (309.212.2408) by Wed, April 4.

The Church Board is forming a Task Force to assist in creating personnel policies for the congregation. This Personnel Policy Task Force already has two representatives from the Church Board; we would like to have several other persons on the Task Force as well. If you are interested, please submit your name, along with the strengths, perspectives, and experience you bring with you, to Wayne Hochstetler at hochwayne@icloud.com, by April 6. Thank you.

Family Fun Nights 2018! Come and enjoy supper, singing, Bible stories and hands on activities with your church family. All ages are welcome - supper and nursery are provided. Don't miss experiencing Wind and Waves with us on Fridays April 13, 20, and 27 from 5:30 - 7:30.

New Adult CE Class Intro to the Enneagram: A Tool for Spiritual Formation, 5 classes from April 15-May 27. Learn more about this ancient tool for insight in understanding our core gift and our besetting fear, both of which can help us grow in our relationship with God, ourselves and others. We will be using the book, Self to Lose, Self to Find by Marilyn Vancil (cost \$16, which can be paid to the church office.) To register, contact Pastor Jane.



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A congregation of Mennonite Church USA

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

MCN Spending Plan Status

Thank you for your offerings.
Year-to-Date Income \$70,265
Year-to-Date Expenses \$89,305
February Income \$35,715
February Expenses \$44,660
Attendance on March 25 was 144.