

Mennonite Church of Normal

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Order of Worship June 17, 2018

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

Adult Bible Study—Justice in the New Testament,
 Darrel Miller, Leader, Conference Room (Room 2)
Sermon Response, Pastor Tim Schrag, Leader, North Mezzanine
Practices to Encounter the Holy, Lynette Miller, Leader, Room 4 (By Kitchen)
Caring and Sharing, Fellowship Area

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Community Life		Pastor Tim Schrag
Ministry Moment	Process Design Team	Shelly King
Prelude		Elsa Raab
Call to Worship		Gail Fisher
*Hymns	<i>This is My Father’s World</i> <i>Spirit, Working in Creation</i>	Wayne Hochstetler HWB 154 STJ 10
*Prayer		
Children’s Time		Shelly King
Offering		
Sharing and Congregational Prayer		
*Hymn	<i>Bless’d be the Tie that Binds</i>	HWB 421
Scripture Reading	Acts 11:1-4, 18 and Acts 15:1-2, 6	Jaron Zehr
Sermon	<i>Hard, Necessary, Possible, Fruitful</i>	
*Hymn	<i>Heart with Loving Heart United</i>	HWB 420
*Benediction		
*Postlude and Dismissal		

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**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
	Solar Power Present.	11:00 am
Mon June 18	Personnel Policy TF	5:30 pm
	Financial Policy TF	6:45 pm
Tue June 19	Youth Ministry Comm.	6:30 pm
Thur June 21	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am
	Jobs Partnership Gath.	5:30 pm

Today

REMINDER for those interested in learning more about using solar power for the Church: Please join us at 11 AM in the sanctuary to learn more about options available for bringing solar-produced electricity to the Church. Your feedback will be appreciated by the Solar Working Group. A second session will be convened at 11:50 AM for those attending adult CE at 11 AM.

Upcoming Events

Quarterly Joy Care Jobs Partnership gathering is Thursday, June 21 from 5:30-6:30pm at the Mennonite Church of Normal. John Baldwin, Director of the Illinois Department of Corrections, will speak and Michelle Cook, the Jobs Partnership Coordinator, will provide an update on our prison ministry. We hope this relationship between local church representatives and ex-offenders continues to help us integrate ex-offenders back into our community. This gathering will include representatives of area churches and ex-offenders.

1st Quarter Gifts to Others:

Conferences:

CDC (Central District Conference)	\$3,763.57
IMC (Ill Mennonite Conference)	\$3,763.57

Camps:

Camp Friedenswald	\$1,026.51
Menno Haven Camp & Retreat Center	\$1,026.51
MEA (Menn Education Association):	\$3,899.76

Five colleges/universities, two seminaries, plus 30+ elementary/secondary schools

See displays!

Attendance on June 10 was 168.

Of Note

Talk to the Church Board Listening Session

Recommendation: The Church Board recommends that MCN accept the request from Crosswinds to rent space at MCN from August 1, 2018 to January 31, 2019. The Financial Stewardship Committee and the Office Manager will work toward a fair and reasonable rental agreement.

A congregational vote on this recommendation will take place on June 24. Absentee ballots are available in the church office.

Quilts for the 2019 Mennonite Relief Sale

Our church has been purchasing quilts at an Amish Auction in Wisconsin and selling them at our Mennonite Relief Sale. We have been able to double or sometimes triple what was paid for the quilt in Wisconsin. This means your donation at least doubles or triples. This is a win/win for everyone. We are asking for your donation if you would like to participate in this project. We are giving you advance notice, and the quilts will be purchased on the last weekend of July. Checks can be made to the church, and whatever funds are available at the time of the sale, determines how many quilts are purchased. Last year we were able to buy 14 quilts. Some of the quilts will then be displayed in January and February, before the Mennonite Relief Sale in March. Thanks in advance for your help. Larry and Louise Reeser

Hygiene Kits Mennonite Women are collecting Hygiene Kits. The bags are in the back of the Sanctuary for you to take home to fill with the necessary supplies. The contents to include in each:

- 1 nail clipper (good quality)
- 1 hand towel (medium weight, dark or bright colors; approx. 16 in x 26 in)
- 1 wide-tooth comb (6-8 in)
- 1 adult-size toothbrush (IN ORIGINAL PACKAGING)
- 1 large bar bath soap (leave in wrapper)

Mennonite Women has sewn bags that are located in the back of the sanctuary. Completed bags are to be placed in the large red tub. Or, if you would prefer, you can just purchase the supplies and Mennonite Women will fill the bags.



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A congregation of
Mennonite Church USA

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