# God's People Gather to Worship

For we also have had the gospel preached to us, just as they did; but the message they heard was of no value to them, because those who heard did not combine it with faith. Hebrews 4:2

#### 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 10:55 during the True Story series. See below.
- Caring and Sharing time (with coffee) is available in the center Fellowship Area at 11:00 am

Christian Education Children 10:45 am		
Gather 'Round (ages 3-1st)	Room 11	
SHINE Curriculum  Nursery 3 & 4 year olds Grades K-1 Grades 2 & 3 Grades 4 & 5 Grades 6-8	Nursery oms 13 & 14 Room 11 Room 12 Room 9 Room 8	
Adults and Teens 10:55 am		
The True Story of the Whole World		
Class approach Teacher Lecture Joe Culpepper Discussion Melika Hershberger Discussion Leah Roeschley Creative Arts J. Roeschley & L. Mille Book Study Darrel Miller	Room Room 4 NW Fell NE Fell r S Fell Room 2	
Q & A Cory Culbertson Youth Discussion Janelle Friesen	Prayer Rm MYF Room	

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Get connected! For more information on any of the following ministries, contact the office.

- ' Junior & Youth Choirs
- \* Area Clusters
- ' Junior High Fellowship
- \* Mennonite Women
- Senior High Fellowship

- \* Book Studies \* Homebuilders
- Young Families "Women's Bible Studies \* Seniors Events
- \* Next Man's Bible Study \* Parish Nurse

## Order of Worship February 28, 2016 God Creates a Covenant People

Community Life Pastor Tim Schrag

Scripture Focus

Pastor Matt Hickman

"...Choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." Joshua 24:15

Prelude Lydia Hedberg

Call to Worship

Glenn Wilson \*Hymn

> O God. Who Gives Us Life HWB 483

\*Prayer

Children's Time Melika Hershberger

Look to the Rose Youth Choir Offering

Sharing and Preparation for Prayer

Congregational Prayer

Worship Music Always in Your Presence Women's Ensemble

Scripture Reading Joshua 1:13-15; Hebrews 3:18-4:2 Nathan Miller

Sermon God's Rest

\*Hymn Speak, O Lord Screen

\*Benediction

Postlude and Dismissal

Stand as you are able. Parents/Caregivers, please note that children's classes begin immediately after worship, and are dismissed one hour later.

### **Weekly Calendar**

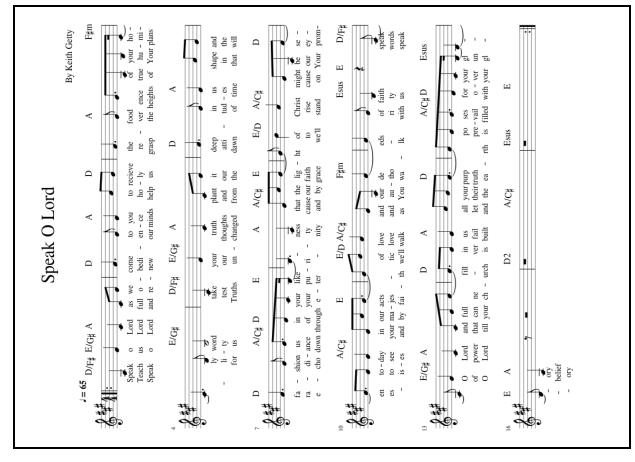
Today	Pre-Service Prayer Worship	9:00 am 9:30 am
Children's (	Christian Education	10:45 am
Adult Christ	tian Education	10:55 am
	Senior High Youth Group	5:00 pm
	Junior High Youth Group	5:00 pm
	Junior Choir	6:00 pm
	Youth Choir	6:45 pm
	Homebuilders	6:45 pm
	Adult Choir	7:30 pm
Tue	Pastoral Council	7:00 pm

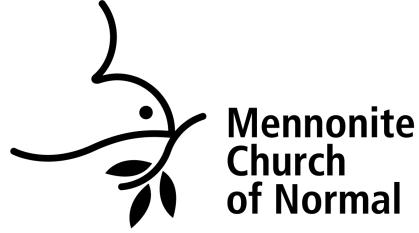
Homebuilders, Sunday, Feb. 28, 6:45 pm, Community Room. Program: "Growing fish, herbs and vegetables using aquaponics" by Mr. Harston. Everyone is welcome. 58th Annual Illinois Mennonite Relief Sale, March 18-19, Interstate Centere

Bloomington. Thanks to all who put their names on the sign-up sheets already. People are needed to help stock the items for the Dutch Market during the day on Friday. Pick up a yard sign. Help distribute posters and Relief Sale booklets around town.

#### Worship Visual for Today

The Ruins of Jericho (Joshua 6:10-21 and Hebrews 11:30) There are several minor variations in this pattern, but all feature four triangles surrounding a center square. This simple pattern was a ranking favorite among early colonists; all the children were familiar with the story of the ancient city so miraculously destroyed when attacked by Joshua and his men.





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