

God's People Gather to Worship

⁶ So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, ⁷ rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness Colossians 2:6-7

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.

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

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* Junior & Youth Choirs	* Area Clusters
* Junior High Fellowship	* Mennonite Women
* Senior High Fellowship	* Book Studies
* Young Families	* Homebuilders
* Women's Bible Studies	* Seniors Events
* Next Man's Bible Study	* Parish Nurse

Order of Worship May 8, 2016 The Church

Community Life

Pastor Tim Schrag

Scripture Focus

Kay Reimer

¹² As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. ¹³ Bear with one another.....forgive each other.....¹⁴ Above all, clothe yourselves with love. ¹⁵ And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts.....[and] be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another.....sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God.¹⁷ And whatever you do.....do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Colossians 3:12-17 (adapted)

Prelude

Speak, O Lord

Youth Musicians

Call to Worship

*Hymns

Glenn Wilson, Chris Culbertson
Come, Now is the Time to Worship
Christ is Our Cornerstone

STJ 9
HWB 43

*Prayer

Children's Time

Darrel Miller

Offering

Sharing and Preparation for Prayer

Congregational Prayer

Worship Music

Open the Eyes of Our Hearts, Lord Youth and Adult Choirs

Scripture Reading

Colossians 2:2-8

Julie Musselman

Sermon

You've Got Mail!

*Hymn

In Christ There is No East or West

HWB 306

*Benediction

*Postlude and Dismissal

** Please 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	9:00 am
	Worship	9:30 am
	Children's Christian Ed	10:45 am
	Adult Christian Ed	10:55 am
Mon May 9	Mennonite Women	9:30 am
	Cluster Leaders	7:00 pm
Tues May 10	Staff Meeting	9:30 am
	Worship Committee	5:00 pm
	Church Board	7:00 pm
Wed May 11	Peace & Justice	5:15 pm
	True Story Leaders	7:00 pm
Thur May 12	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am
	Outreach Committee	5:00 pm
	Youth Ministry Comm.	6:00 pm
	Financial Stewardship	7:00 pm

Today

True Story of the Whole World A Missional People (Lesson 17) is today's True Story Christian Education lesson.

A Word about our Worship Visuals Quilters have named blocks after Bible stories for generations. Throughout our True Story study series, a variety of quilt blocks representing Bible stories or themes will be presented. Here is a description of today's quilt block:

Priscilla - Romans 16:3

Who was she, this woman Paul so respected that he refers to her in five different places, going so far as to even naming her before her husband? Priscilla was a coworker with Paul in both building up the church and in tent making industries in several cities. She must have been good and wise, and certainly knowledgeable in the doctrines of the newly established church. Many today consider her an example of a woman in a leadership position.

Upcoming Events

Congregational Meal and Meeting Sunday, May 15 Presentation on work of Church Board; documents to be reviewed are on display in Library. Those documents were also emailed out; please print if you want a paper copy. The Senior High Youth will be serving the meal as a fundraiser for MCUSA Convention in 2017.

Opportunities to Serve

Donations for West African Children The Hickmans are hoping that in the near future Deb will travel to West Africa to bring their adoptive daughter Blessing home. Deb is able to take along much-needed supplies for the foster children where Blessing lives. Donations of non-gummy children's multivitamins, cloth diapers, new or gently-used children's flip-flops or crocs, and compact, smooth, washable toys (no stuffed animals) can be dropped off at Pastor Matt's office at church. Deb would love to take a suitcase full of supplies!

Survey A reminder from the Wellness Committee that the Functional Needs Mapping Program Survey is available in paper form at the Entrance Table. The Wellness Committee strongly encourages the participation of all residents of Bloomington and Normal.

MCN Spending Plan Status

April Income \$42,504.63
April Expenses \$42,017.30

Year to Date Income \$163,154.34
Year to Date Expenses &171,410.65

Thank you for your offerings.

Attendance May 1, 2016 was 181.



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