

# Mennonite Church of Normal

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## Order of Worship August 27, 2017

### 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 11:00 am. See the classes listed below.
- **Caring and Sharing** time is available in the center Fellowship Area.

Christian Education	
Children	
10:45 am	
Gather 'Round (ages 3-1st)	Room 11
<i>SHINE Curriculum</i>	
Nursery	Nursery
3 & 4 year olds & Kindergarten	Rooms 13/14
Grades 1-4	Rooms 9/12
Grades 5-8	Room 8
Adults & High School	
There is no Sunday School today, the Church Board will conduct a listening session about the Spending Plan.	

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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Community Life		Pastor Tim Schrag
Prelude		Elsa Raab
Call to Worship		Joe Culpepper
*Hymn	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name</i>	Glenn Wilson HWB 285
*Prayer		
Children's Time		Cindy Ropp
Offering		
Sharing and Congregational Prayer		
*Hymn	<i>Gentle Shepherd, Come and Lead Us</i>	HWB 352
Scripture Reading	John 10:7-10	Nathan Miller
Sermon	<i>Generosity and Money</i>	
*Hymn	<i>God, Whose Giving</i>	HWB 383
*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.*

## Weekly Calendar

Today	Pre-Service Prayer	9:00 am
	Worship	9:30 am
	CE for Children	10:45 am
	Congregational Action	10:45 am
	"Talk to the Ch Board"	11:00 am
	MYF Informal Movie Night	6:30 pm
Thu Aug 31	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am
	Cluster Leaders Meeting	6:30 pm

## Upcoming Events

**Parents of Preschoolers** If you haven't had a chance to sign up for the dessert events hosted by the church, it's not too late! Delicious dessert and free childcare included! We'd love to hear from you and learn how we can help support you and your families. You may either sign up the link in the Midweek or contact Chris at [chrisculbertson22@gmail.com](mailto:chrisculbertson22@gmail.com)

**Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC)** invites us to hear Lecia Brooks, Outreach Director, discuss the rise in hate groups and hate crimes and what people can do to combat them at the SPLC Forum on Hate Crimes. This will be at the Bob Michel Student Center at Bradley University, 915 North Elmwood Avenue, Peoria, IL at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, August 29. If you are interested carpooling to this event, please let Phil Dick know, he plans to attend. The invitation says that the event is free and open to the public, so please come early for a seat. For more information, call 309-677-3054.

**Mennonite Colleges and University Fair**, Sept. 10 5:00 pm, at MCN. Reps will get to know our kids and kids from area youth groups, play games, eat dinner.

## Today

**Congregational Action** Pastor Jane Roeschley's current term as Associate Pastor will expire soon. Based on the recent congregational evaluation of Jane's ministry the Church Board unanimously and enthusiastically recommends that the congregation extend to Jane another call for 5 years. The congregational vote is scheduled for today, at the end of the morning worship service. If anyone has a question about this process, please talk with Wayne Hochstetler, Congregational Chairperson, or a Board member.

**Talk to the Church Board: Spending Plan** Today is the quarterly time to "Talk to the Church Board." Today you have the opportunity to express your thoughts on the Spending Plan. A document titled *Talk to the Church Board/ Frequently Asked Questions* was placed into your mailbox last Sunday. The questions noted there will be addressed in the small groups starting at 11:00. We welcome your participation. To avoid time spend waiting in line, coffee will be available in each of the small group rooms.

**You're invited to celebrate with Alice Swift!** Her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday is Tuesday. Join her at the MRC after the CE hour today. There will be cake and a potluck lunch.

### MCN Spending Plan Status

Thank you for your offerings.  
Year-to-date Income \$279,296  
Year-to-date Expenses \$315,816  
July Income \$62,525  
July Expenses \$37,490  
Attendance on August 20 was 189.



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