

# Mennonite Church of Normal

805 S Cottage Ave – Normal IL 61761

Ph (309) 452-6622

church@normalmennonite.org

www.normalmennonite.org

# Order of Worship September 17, 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 (age 3-1st grade) Room 11  
Nursery (newborn – age 3) Room 3

#### **SHINE: Living in God's Light Curriculum**

PreK (3 & 4 year olds) Rooms 13 & 14  
Kindergarten & Grade 1 Room 11  
Grades 2 Room 12  
Grades 3 – 5 Room 9

#### Youth

10:45 am

Grades 6 – 8 Room 8  
High School Rooms 5 & 7

#### Adults

11:00 am

**Making Sense of God**, Cory Culbertson, Leader,  
North Mezzanine

**Adult Bible Study—Covenant with God**, Darrel  
Miller, Leader, Conference Room (Room 2)

**Trauma and Healing**, various leaders, Room 4  
(by Kitchen)

**Caring and Sharing** Fellowship Area

### 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.

Tim Schrag, Senior Pastor  
tim@normalmennonite.org

Jane Roeschley, Associate Pastor  
Worship & Lay Ministries  
jane@normalmennonite.org

Matt Hickman, Associate Pastor  
Youth and Family Life  
matt@normalmennonite.org

Lynn Reha, Office Manager  
lynn@normalmennonite.org

Lauren Satchwell, Interim Administrative Assistant  
church@normalmennonite.org

Community Life

Pastor Tim Schrag

Prelude

Dorothy Loepf

Call to Worship

Lynn Reha

\*Hymn

*All Praise to Our Redeeming Lord*

Wayne Hochstetler  
HWB 21

\*Prayer

Offering

Children's Time

Darrel Miller

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

\*Hymn

*Bless'd Be the Tie That Binds (v 1, 2, 3)*

HWB 421

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 1:1-2; 2:9-12

Aime Loso-Fataki

Sermon

*Scattered Unity?*

\*Hymn

*Heart With Loving Heart United*

HWB 420

Dismissal for Cluster Groups Gathering

*\*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.*

**Wireless Access MCN\_Guest/mcnguest**

## Weekly Calendar

Today	Pre-Service Prayer	9:00 am
	Worship	9:30 am
	Cluster Groups Mini Gathering	10:30 am
	CE for Children	10:45 am
	CE for Adults	11:00 am
	Youth Group	5:00 pm
Tue Sept 19	Pastoral Council	6:30 pm
Wed Sept 20	Apple Pie Prep for IMRS	8:30 am
	Peace and Justice Com.	5:00 pm
	Bi-annual Leadership Mtg	6:30 pm

## Today

### Cluster Group Gathering Locations

Southeast: Room 4 (by kitchen)

Southwest: Sanctuary by Piano

Northwest: Library

Northeast: North end of Atrium

East Central: Conference Room

Central: Fellowship Area

North Main: Sanctuary by Organ

## Of Note

If you haven't done so yet, please fill out and return the Offering My Gifts and Affirming the Gifts of Others forms by next Sunday, Sept. 24.

A survey on LGBTQ Questions for Mennonite Church of Normal was placed into your mailboxes on September 10. Additional copies were placed into your mailboxes this Sunday so that EACH person ages Teens—Adults can complete the survey. Please complete by October 1 and place into the basket in the church office. Thanks!

## Upcoming Events

**Apple Pie Prep for Relief Sale Wed., Sept. 20:** Apples were donated to make apple pies for the Relief Sale. Volunteers are needed to help make apple pie filling. We will be peeling, cooking, and bagging apples on Wednesday, September 20th at 8:30 am. Let Gerry Schrock know if you can help with this.

### Midwest Food Bank Disaster Relief Boxes

Midwest Food Bank has volunteer needs for people to fill Disaster Relief Boxes. To volunteer, donate, or learn more about their relief efforts, visit <https://bloomington.midwestfoodbank.org/home> or see the link in the Midweek Connection.

**MDS Trip, Greenbrier, West Virginia, Oct. 15-21** Join in housing rehab following serious flooding in Greenbrier, WV. Please talk to Pastor Jane ASAP if interested. More info at <https://mds.mennonite.net/volunteer-opportunity/greenbrier-county-wv/>

**Restorative Practices Seminar Thurs. Oct. 19** This seminar explores the fundamental principles, philosophy, theories, practices, models, and skills of restorative practices. Fees covered, talk to Pastor Jane if interested.

**Menno Haven Volleyball Tournament Sat. Oct. 21** Bring a team of 4 or 6 for a day of games, food, and prizes. Register by Oct. 11 with form on the camp bulletin board or [www.mennohaven.com](http://www.mennohaven.com).

**Work Day at Emmanuel and Tanya's Home** On Saturday, November 4, from 8:00-noon. Volunteers (16 or older) to work and provide snacks may sign up using the link in the Midweek.

### MCN Spending Plan Status

Thank you for your offerings.  
Year-to-date Income \$333,271  
Year-to-date Expenses \$358,729  
August Income \$53,975  
August Expenses \$42,913  
Attendance on September 10 was 215.



# Mennonite Church of Normal

A congregation of  
Mennonite Church USA

September 17, 2017

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