

# Mennonite Church of Normal

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## 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.

<b>Christian Education</b>	
<b>Children</b>	
<b>10:45 am</b>	
Gather 'Round (ages 3-1st)	Room 11
<b>SHINE Curriculum</b>	
Nursery	Nursery
3 & 4 year olds & Kindergarten	Rooms 13 & 14
Grades 1-5	Rooms 9 & 12
Grades 6-8	Room 8
<b>Adults &amp; Teens</b>	
Sermon Response Class Steve Stenger, Janet Wilson and Roger Clemmons, leaders, Room 4 (by kitchen)	
Adult Bible Study Judy Hershberger, and Lynette Miller, Leaders, Conference Room	
Caring and Sharing	Fellowship Area
High School Study Matt Hickman Leader, Rooms 5 & 7	

<b>Mennonite Church of Normal</b>
<b>Vision and Mission</b>
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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# Order of Worship

## July 16, 2017

Community Life		Pastor Tim Schrag
Ministry Moment	High School Peace Initiative	Abby Warfel, Peace & Justice Committee
Prelude		Denise Hedberg
Call to Worship		Darvis King
*Hymns	<i>The Love of God</i> <i>In the Morning When I Rise</i>	Cindy Ropp STJ 44 STJ 45
*Prayer		
Children’s Time		Louise Reeser
Welcome of New Members		Carroll and Roberta Miller
Offering		
Sharing and Congregational Prayer		
*Hymn	<i>You Are the Salt For the Earth</i>	HWB 226
Scripture	Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23	Pascal Ngongo
Sermon	<i>Grounded In Several Ways</i>	
Silent Reflection		
*Hymn	<i>There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy</i>	HWB 145
*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
	CE for Adults	11:00 am
	Relief Sale Board Meeting	2:30 pm
Wed July 19	Peace & Justice Comm.	5:00 pm
Thu July 20	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am
	Outreach Committee	5:00 pm

## Of Note

**School Kits** During the months of July and August, Mennonite Women will be collecting School Kits. School Kits are MCC's most requested item. They are given primarily to refugee and displaced children, helping students and teachers add some normalcy to disrupted lives. 89,958 were shipped last year to Jordan, Syria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Lebanon, Haiti, U.S., Serbia, Honduras and more.

The bags are in the back of the Sanctuary for you to take home to fill with the necessary supplies:

- 8 unsharpened pencils
- 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (8.5" x 10.5", 70 sheets)
- 1 ruler (flat, flexible plastic; indicating 30 cm and 12")
- 12 colored pencils (in packaging)
- 1 large pencil eraser

Return filled bags to the red tub in the back of the Sanctuary. MCN Mennonite Women will deliver them. Or, if you would prefer, you can just purchase the supplies and Mennonite Women will fill the bags.

### MCN Spending Plan Status

Thank you for your offerings.  
Year-to-date Income \$219,771  
Year-to-date Expenses \$278,326  
June Income \$31,672  
June Expenses \$57,437  
Attendance on July 9 was 165.

## Upcoming Events

**Worship Next Sunday** will be lead by the Youth who attended the Mennonite USA Convention in Orlando. They are excited to bring back their experiences and hope everyone can make it!

**The Music for Food Concert** by the Illinois Chamber Music Festival is Monday, July 24 at 7:00 pm. Bring a non-perishable food item. The concert is free, an offering will be accepted. All proceeds to benefit the Home Sweet Home Food Pantry.

**Fun in the Sun** The next Fun in the Sun event is July 28th at Miller Park. Other dates and sign up are at [signupgenius.com](http://signupgenius.com). The link is in the Midweek Connection.

**Menno Haven Sunday** is August 13th starting at 10:00 am. Gather for worship and fun activities. There will be no worship planned for 805 S. Cottage that day. Activities include: the pool open for swimming, open gym at the Eagle Wing Activity Center, and use of canoes and kayaks on the lake or fishing. We ask that everyone be responsible for their food costs, which are as follows: Adults \$11, Children ages 4-10, \$5.50, Children ages 3 & under, free. If these are prohibitive, please notify the church office. We hope that you can come! Look for a link to sign up in the Midweek Connection!

**Celebrate** with D. Paul Miller who will be 100 this August. You are invited to celebrate with him at Westminster Village on Sat., August 26th from 2:00-4:00p.m. Refreshments will be served in the Social Hall. You would make his day if you could write something that you remember about him—pictures - humor - or anything you would like to say to him. Send this to: [driftwood1050@gmail.com](mailto:driftwood1050@gmail.com) by July 30th, 2017 so that we can prepare a book for him.  
*Brenda for Rich and Don*

**Cornbelter's Game** The Southeast Cluster Group invites you to join them for the game on Sunday, August 6. A final count is needed by July 31. Sign up with the link in the Midweek!



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A congregation of  
Mennonite Church USA

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