

# Mennonite Church of Normal

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# Order of Worship

## July 23, 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.

<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>	
<b>Sermon Response Class</b> Steve Stenger, Janet Wilson and Roger Clemmons, leaders, Room 4 (by kitchen)	
<b>Adult Bible Study</b> Judy Hershberger, and Lynette Miller, Leaders, Conference Room	
<b>Caring and Sharing</b>	Fellowship Area
<b>High School Study</b> 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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Lauren Satchwell, Interim Administrative Assistant church@normalmennonite.org

Community Life, Sharing, and Congregational Prayer

\*Songs

*Gravity of Love*  
*The Love of God*

STJ 44

Scripture

Romans 8:35-39

Your Top Five Video

Scripture

John 13:34-35

Children’s Time

Noah Engel & Nathan Valverde

Offering

Songs

*Multiplied*  
*Lord, I Need You*

Youth Reflections

*Love Is A Verb*

Love Is Video

\*Song

*My Soul Cries Out*

STS 124

Youth Reflections Continued

\*Closing Songs

*This is Amazing Grace*  
*“Seeds” Sending Song*

## 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
Mon July 24	Music for Food Concert	7:00 pm
Tues July 25	Leadership Selection Com.	5:30 pm
Thu July 27	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am

## Of Note

**School Kits** During the months of July and August, Mennonite Women will be collecting School Kits. 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.

**Quilt Purchasing** We will be making our annual trip to Wisconsin to purchase quilts at the Amish Auction on Sat., July 29. These quilts will be donated and sold at the Illinois Mennonite Relief Sale in March 2018. We have been able in the past to at least double or more the money donated from the church, at the MCC Auction.

If you are interested in donating to this cause, please put your check in the offering, marked "Quilt Donation," or get a check to the office before Friday, July 28. Thanks for your help in this way. If you have any questions, please call Larry and Louise Reeser. 826-3423

### 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 16 was 165.

## Upcoming Events

**The Music for Food Concert** by the Illinois Chamber Music Festival is Monday, July 24 at 7:00 pm. The concert is at the Mennonite Church of Normal. 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.

**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!

**Christian Formation Seminar** Finding the right faith formation resources can be a never-ending challenge! Come and discover how [www.anabaptistfaithformation.org](http://www.anabaptistfaithformation.org) can help you find the resources you need for all ages in a one-stop, easily-accessible location with Shana Peachey Boshart, Central Plains Mennonite Conference Minister for Christian Formation. This seminar will be at the Mennonite Church of Normal, Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1:30pm. Please RSVP to the church office by Tuesday, August 1st.

**Quinn Wilson Program: Film-making with a Purpose** Quinn is using his film-making expertise to bring focus and help to important human needs and stories. Come hear more about it on August 6 at 6 pm!

**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 for swimming, the 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. 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!



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Mennonite Church USA

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