

Mennonite Church of Normal

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Order of Worship January 21, 2018

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 – All Invited

- **Christian Education** for adults begins at 11:00 am. See the classes listed below, all are welcome.
- **Caring and Sharing** coffee time is available in the center rear Fellowship Area, all are welcome.

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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.

Christian Education

Children and Youth 10:45 am

Gather ‘Round (age 3-1st grade) Room 11
Nursery (newborn – age 3) Room 3
PreK (3 & 4 year olds) Rooms 13 & 14
Kindergarten & Grade 1 Room 11
Grades 2 Room 12
Grades 3 – 5 Room 9
Grades 6 – 8 Room 8
High School Rooms 5 & 7

Adults 11:00 am

Exploring Your Fit, Pastor Jane Roeschley, Leader, High School Room (this week only)
Adult Bible Study—Faith in Action, Darrel Miller, Leader, Conference Room (Room 2)
Extreme Grandparenting, Steve Stenger & Joe Culpepper, Leaders, Room 4 (by Kitchen)
Caring and Sharing Fellowship Area

Tim Schrag, Senior Pastor
tim@normalmennonite.org

Jane Roeschley, Associate Pastor
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Lynn Reha, Office Manager
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Lauren Satchwell, Interim Administrative Assistant
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Chris Culbertson, Children’s Ministry Leader
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Community Life Pastor Tim Schrag

Prelude Youth Musicians

Call to Worship Nathan Miller

*Hymns Barry Weaver, Chris Culbertson

Here in This Place HWB 6
O God, Who Gives Us Life HWB 483

*Prayer

Children’s Time Pastor Jane Roeschley

Offering

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

*Hymn *God, Fill Me Now* STS 63

Scripture Reading James 1:13-18 Tshitshi Tshiseleka

Sermon *Born Again, Twice*

Silent Reflection

*Hymn *Teach Me Thy Truth* HWB 548

*Benediction *“Seeds” Sending Song*

*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.

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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
	Congregational Meal	12:00 pm
	Congregational Meeting	1:00 pm
	MYF Youth Group	5:00 pm
	Junior Choir	6:00 pm
	Youth Choir	6:45 pm
	Homebuilders	7:00 pm
Mon Jan 22	IWU Faculty Piano Recital	7:00 pm
Tue Jan 23	Cluster Leaders Meeting	6:30 pm
Thur Jan 25	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am

Today

Congregational Meal at noon: The MYF will serve a congregational meal will take place at noon. The funds generated from this meal will help the MYF attend the Sharing with Appalachian People (SWAP) program this summer.

Congregational Meeting: The Congregational Meeting will feature a vote on the proposed 2018 Spending Plan, and an opportunity to affirm the 2017 Annual Reports

Homebuilders is at 7:00pm: Meet at the MRC Community Building. The speaker will be Ben Webb who is running for the Illinois House of Representatives in the 105th District. Ben teaches English and Theater at University High School in Normal. All are invited

MCN Spending Plan Status

Thank you for your offerings.

2017 Income \$532,180

2017 Expenses \$528,302

December Income \$60,439

December Expenses \$48,356

Attendance on January 14 was 164.

Upcoming Events

Next Weekend: All Church Winter Retreat at Camp Friedenswald Questions can be directed to Shelly/Darvis King or Marge Nester. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the atrium or at the signupgenius link that was in the Midweek.

Central District Conference (CDC) Regional Gathering is Jan 27 @ MCN. Regional Gatherings start with coffee and tea at 9:45 am, and conclude at 3:00 pm. RSVP by Jan. 22 to Emma at office@mcusacdc.org; or 800-662-2264.

Communion February 4 We will celebrate Communion in worship here at MCN (changed from January 28). In preparation, we are all encouraged to engage in self-examination - of both our relationship with God, and with others. We also receive specially designated gifts for our Mutual Aid Fund on Communion Sundays, as a means of assisting others in need through being the Body of Christ.

Of Note

Returning Citizens Care Kits, Co-Sponsored by Peace & Justice and Outreach Committees
We are collecting Returning Citizens Care Kits for persons returning to our community from prison. Lists of items are available in the Midweek Connection. Bring to the red tub in the atrium, or a donation may be made to MCN, for use by the Outreach Committee, to purchase the items on your behalf.

Would you like to be of service to your church community? We are scheduling Ushers, Greeters and the Welcome Table for this year. If you have done it in the past year and want to continue, you do not need to contact me, unless you want to have your name removed. If you have not participated before but would like to be a part of this ministry, please email or call me. *Louise Reeser* reeserfarms@gmail.com, or 826-3423. Thank you to all those who have served this past year. You are making a valuable contribution to our Sunday morning service.



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