

## 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
Thur Aug 23	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am

## Upcoming Events

**Midwest Food Bank Volunteer Opportunity**  
August 20, 6pm - 8pm, Come join us in a fun evening of service to others at Midwest Food Bank! Anyone 10 yrs or older is welcome. We are limited to 20 individuals. Sign up through the link in the Midweek or contact the church office.

### FINE ARTS SUNDAY ~ AUGUST 26 2018

Everyone high school age and under is invited to share their time and talents during the Sunday School hour on August 26! Bring the instrument(s) you play to show, bring examples of artwork you have created, or share your hobby! This is a wonderful opportunity for the congregation to learn more about you AND a great way for the younger children in our church to learn about things that might interest them as well! (Adults will still have Sunday School that day but are invited to visit the "Fine Arts Fair" before and after) We hope that most youth and children will sign up to share something! Add your name to the sign up sheet at church or email Shelly King at [snking2002@yahoo.com](mailto:snking2002@yahoo.com) to let us know what you would like to share!

## Of Note

**Pastor Tim Schrag and Pastor Jane Roeschley** have shared their retirement plans with the Church Board. Pastor Tim will retire on September 1, 2019, and Pastor Jane will retire on November 30, 2019. The Church Board has been planning for this transition for some time and is working closely with conference leadership to consider the appropriate next steps. As plans develop, the congregation will be kept informed

**Family Literacy Child Care - School Year Volunteer Needed** Our summer volunteers for the Family Literacy Child Care, 12:30-2:00 pm each Wednesday are heading back to school. We need 2 (or 3) volunteers who could serve 1-2 times per month. Please talk to Pastor Jane.

**The Student Mutual Aid (SMAP) Committee** would like to remind you that we will be making our fall tuition payments to the Mennonite Colleges and Universities soon. If you could put your contributions in the offering in the next couple weeks that will ensure we have enough funds to cover our pledged portion. Thanks again for the continued support of this awesome program. If there are any questions, see Darvis King.

**The Village at Mercy Creek now Franciscan Ministries:** A change in operation and ownership occurred last week for Meadows at Mercy Creek. It is now part of Franciscan Ministries. This comes about by the deep discernment of the Meadows Board to do what is best for residents, families, staff and supporters. Along with continuing the high quality of care, this also provides opportunity for expanding the pools for resources and talent, as well as shouldering the costs.

<b>First half year, 6 months, results:</b>		
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$236,915</b>	
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$252,313</b>	
<b>Expense distribution: amount, percent</b>		
Local programs:	\$14,309.04	5.7%
Building:	\$48,357.32.	19.2%
Staff/Admin.:	\$130,717.47	51.8%
Gifts to others:	\$58,929.28.	23.4%



# Mennonite Church of Normal

A congregation of  
Mennonite Church USA

**August 19, 2018**

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

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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 – 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.

## 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.

## Christian Education

### Children and Youth 10:45 am–11:45 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

**Adult Bible Study—Justice in the New Testament,**  
 Darrel Miller, Leader, Conference Room (Room 2)

**Practices to Encounter the Holy,** Lynette Miller,  
 Leader, Room 4 (By Kitchen)

**Caring and Sharing,** Fellowship Area

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# Order of Worship August 19, 2018

Community Life		Pastor Jane Roeschley
Ministry Moment	Offering My Gifts Affirming the Gifts of Others	Mike Company
Prelude		Elsa Raab
Call to Worship		Holly Zehr
*Hymns	<i>Holy Spirit, Come with Power</i> <i>Open My Eyes</i>	Cindy Ropp HWB 26 STS 65
*Prayer		
Children’s Time		Chris Culbertson
Offering		
Prayer for All Returning to School		
Sharing and Congregational Prayer	<b>Leader:</b> Lord, in Your goodness/mercy...	<b>People:</b> .... <i>Hear our prayer</i>
*Hymn	<i>Help Us to Help Each Other</i>	HWB 362
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 56:4-5; Isaiah 43:1; Galatians 3:26-29	Tshitshi Tshiseleka
Sermon	<i>Some Things I’ve Learned, as a Pastor and as a Mom, About LGBTQ+ Inclusion</i>	
*Hymn	<i>Come In, Come In</i> 2006 Composition by MCN Children	Screen
*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.*

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