

## 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 Aug 27	Personnel Policy TF	5:30 pm
Tue Aug 28	Peace & Justice Comm.	5:00 pm
Thur Aug 30	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am

### Today

**Children's Sunday School Meet and Greet:** Today after the worship service, come to the pre-school nursery room (the room just off of the sanctuary) to meet your child's Sunday School teacher and prayer partner. All parents with children age 3 through 5th grade are invited to attend. Parents with new 3 year olds can bring them, and all older children will participate in the fine arts Sunday School class.

**FINE ARTS SUNDAY** Many of our young people will share their time and talents during the Sunday School hour today. This will be done "open house" style--participants with their instruments, talents, artwork, hobbies will be spread out through the Jr. High and High School classrooms for attendees to walk through and see. All volunteer helpers and any children not doing an exhibit will meet in Classroom 9 after the service for a snack before enjoying the exhibits. Adults will still have Sunday School today but are invited to visit before and after!

#### **SOLAR PROJECT INFORMATION SESSION: #2**

**When:** Sunday, Aug 26 at 11:00 & again at 12:00 for those who wish to attend SS class.

**Where:** MCN Sanctuary

**Three topics:** 1. Update on StraightUp Solar proposal. 2. Roof replacement, perhaps with metal. The roof has significant hail damage. 3. Possible financing options/plans for the solar panels as well as the roof replacement. One option, for part of the project, is the formation of an LLC whose partners would be investors from MCN.

Come, join in to hear an update, ask questions, and provide input to the Solar Working Group before recommendations are finalized.

## Of Note

### **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 one more volunteer 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.

### **Offering My Gifts and Affirming the Gifts of Others:**

These forms were handed out Sunday, August 19, as bulletin inserts. If you were absent, there are copies on the entryway table and they are also linked on the website and in the Midweek Connection. Please return by September 2, 2018 to the church office or basket on the entry table.

## Upcoming Events

**Blessing of Our Vocations:** At the close of worship on September 2, we will have a Blessing of Our Vocations. Please bring something that Sunday that is a symbol of how you labor and/or serve.

**Global South Voices** are coming to MCN at 7:00 PM on Monday, September 24. The three people are from El Salvador, Zimbabwe, and Nepal will be sharing their stories about how climate change has affected them and their communities. The tour sponsor is The Center for Sustainable Climate Solutions, a collaborative initiative between Mennonite Central Committee (MCC), Goshen College, and Eastern Mennonite University. This event is sponsored by the Homebuilders and the Outreach and Peace & Justice Committees.



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**August 26, 2018**

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

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# Order of Worship August 26, 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.

## 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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Ministry Moment	Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary	Tony Hartman
Prelude		Dorothy Loepp
Call to Worship		Joe Culpepper
*Hymns	<i>All Creatures of Our God and King, v. 1-5</i> <i>Nothing is Lost on the Breath of God</i>	Barry Weaver HWB 48 STS 121
*Prayer		
Children’s Time		Holly Zehr
Offering		
Sharing and Congregational Prayer	<b>Leader:</b> Lord, in Your goodness/mercy...	<b>People:</b> .... <i>Hear our prayer</i>
*Hymn	<i>Longing for Light</i>	STJ 54
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 52:7-10, Matthew 5:1-16	Shannon Neely
Sermon	<i>Beauty That Saves the World</i>	Dr. Sara Wenger Shenk
*Hymn	<i>Lift Every Voice and Sing</i>	HWB 579
*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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