

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
	MYF & JMYF	5:00 pm
Mon Sept 24	Global South Voices	7:00 pm
Thur Sept 27	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am

Of Note

The Board of the MCN at its meeting on Sept 11, 2018, approved the Solar Installation Project, as brought by the Financial Stewardship Committee. There will be a congregational vote following worship on Sept 30 on the following resolution:

“The Board of the MCN recommends that the Congregation approve the Solar Installation Project, September 2018, which includes the replacement of the current roof with a standing seam metal roof and the installation of solar panels on the south and west facing areas of the roof.”

Information about this project is available on the table in the entryway. There will be additional information sessions on Sept 23 at both 11 AM and at 12 Noon in Room 4 by the kitchen.

Home Sweet Home Thanksgiving Collection

Widow’s Cruse for September is dedicated to the Thanksgiving Meals for Home Sweet Home Ministries. Please see the list of food items needed on the entry table or in the Midweek.

Special Delegate Assembly for MC USA

The Church Board is soliciting delegates for a special delegate meeting of MC USA, to take place electronically on November 26, 2018, 7:00pm Central time. This meeting is for the purpose of providing counsel to the Executive Board regarding a proposal to discontinue The Mennonite as an agency of MC USA; The Mennonite and Mennonite World Review are proposing a merger. Our congregation is allowed 3 delegates. Please contact Wayne Hochstetler via email (hochwayne@icloud.com) or phone (309-533-5486) by October 8 if you have interest in serving in this way.

Upcoming Events

Have you thought about who is under your carbon footprint? Join The Center for Sustainable Climate Solutions (CSCS) and MCC as they bring partners from El Salvador, Zimbabwe, and Nepal to share firsthand accounts of the shifting climate and its effects on communities. On Monday, September 24, from 7:00-8:30 p.m. Zacarías Arecio Bernabé Martínez, Dr. Sibonokuhle Ncube, and Durga Sunchiuri will share personal accounts of their work in their home countries at MCN. This event is sponsored by the Homebuilders and the Outreach and Peace & Justice Committees. Hope to see you there!

Apple pies for Relief Sale: Thank you to Eric Miller for apples for Relief Sale. Volunteers are needed to help make apple pie filling on Tuesday September 25 from 9-11 at church. Let Gerry Schrock know if you can help.

The ISU School of Theatre and Dance

production of Ga-AD! by Adong Lucy Judith and Nambozo Beverley Nzengiyunva. Ga-AD! runs September 26–29 at 7:30 p.m. and September 29 and 30 at 2 p.m. in the Center for the Performing Arts Theatre. Adong comes to campus from Uganda. Cindy Ropp is directing the choir within the play!

Documentary Showing: MCN is hosting a showing of the 90-minute film by John L. and Jay Ruth *Is There a Lesson? 45 Years on the Anabaptist Trail with John Ruth and TourMagination* on October 7th at 7:00 pm. Admission is free.

First half year, six months	
Local Program details	
Music & Worship	\$1,008.27
Education	\$3,224.77
Youth Ministry	\$7,359.07
Fellowship	\$1,333.85
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Total	\$14,309.04
This is 5.7% of the expenses for the first 6 months of the year.	
Attendance on September 16 was 168.	



Mennonite Church of Normal

A congregation of
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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.

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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–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

Adults and High School 11:00 am

Welcoming the LGBTQ Community: Biblical Perspectives and Storytelling, Joe Culpepper and Darrel Miller, Leaders, Sanctuary

Adult Bible Study—God's World and God's People, Class Lead, Conference Room (Room 2)

Lectio Divina/Lectio Visio, Lynette Miller, Leader, North Mezzanine

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Order of Worship September 23, 2018

Community Life		Pastor Tim Schrag
Prelude		Denise Hedberg
Call to Worship		Melika Hershberger
*Hymns	<i>God is Here Among Us</i> <i>Praise with Joy the World's Creator</i>	Wayne Hochstetler HWB 16 STJ 16
*Prayer		
Children's Time		Shelly King
Presentation of Bibles—Third Graders and Recognition of Children's Ministry Sunday School Teachers and Prayer Partners		Chris Culbertson
Offering		
Sharing and Congregational Prayer		
*Hymn	<i>The Church's One Foundation</i>	HWB 311
Scripture Reading	I Corinthians 1:1-3; 3:10-17	Wilma Dyck
Sermon	<i>Limping to Redemption, Together</i>	
*Hymn	<i>How Can I Say</i>	STS 117
*Benediction		
*Postlude and Dismissal		

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**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.*