

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
	Junior Choir	6:00 pm
	Youth Choir	6:45 pm
Thur Nov 1	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am
	Piano Tuning	2:00 pm

Of Note

Be in prayer for Quinn Wilson as he serves with Christian Peacemaker Teams (CPT) in Israel-Palestine, October 22 through November 5.

Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) is signing volunteers up for hurricane response teams. Go to: <https://mds.mennonite.net/hurricane-response-volunteer-registration-form/> or for more information from Illinois MDS, email Deanna Frey at dfrey@mds.mennonite.org.

More on 1ST 9 months Gifts to Others:
Mennonite Mission Network 1st 9 Months: **MMN** \$34,357.27 about 9.5% of 1st 9 months expenses. **MMN** has **International Ministries** in **60** countries with **107** partner organizations and more than 150 workers.

Other Mennonite Mission Network programs:
MVS (Mennonite Voluntary Service),
DOOR (Discovering Opportunities for Outreach & Reflection),
Service Adventure
SOOP (

More than 2700 persons of all ages involved each year.

Publications:

Mission Mosaic: Yearly MMN prayer directory
Prayer Vine: Daily prayer focus for a MMN item.

Beyond: Quarterly information item.

MissioDei: Yearly essay on some current topic

Mustard Seeds: Quarterly solicitation for a specific Program.

SEE DISPLAY TO VIEW THESE.

Attendance on October 21 was 188.

Of Note

Still Thinking about the Matthew 25 Challenge?

It's not too late to sign up to sponsor a child! There is information in your mailbox that can be returned to the church office, or stop by the office to select the specific child you would like to sponsor. As a sponsor, you'll help enable children to enjoy good health, education, spiritual nurture, and protection.

Want another way to make Jesus' call more real for your family?

Text LOVE to 44888 to get daily texts over the next week with ideas for family activities.

Upcoming Events

Women Doing Theology, Nov. 8-10, 2018, join MC USA's Women in Leadership in building upon a history of Anabaptist theologians, ministers, teachers, activists, creatives and many others gathering to do theological work born out of women's experiences. Find out more and register at <http://mennoniteusa.org/wdt18>.

Mennonite Church Blood Drive, Saturday, November 10 from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm. Walk-In's welcome. For appointments, please call the church office or use the link in the Midweek Connection. Bring photo ID or your blood donor card, or two other forms of ID.

Alternative Gifts Fair, Sundays, November 11 & 18: Christmas is just 2 months away. If you're looking for meaningful gifts for your friends and family this year, look no further! To check out this year's projects, you can peruse the MCC and AGI catalogs on the library table or peruse online: <https://donate.mcc.org> and <https://www.alternativegifts.org/projects/>. We are still hoping a few more families will sign up to host a booth. Contact Abby Warfel if you're interested.

Congregational Meal Fundraiser for MCN's youth to attend MC USA's 2019 Convention in Kansas City will be by November 18th after Sunday School and before the Congregational Meeting which will start at 1:00 pm.



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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Order of Worship October 28, 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

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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Community Life

Pastor Tim Schrag

Prelude

Dorothy Loepp

Call to Worship

Joe Culpepper

*Hymns

*Rain Down
We Sing to You, O God*

Jenell Ulrich
STJ 49
STJ 1

*Prayer

Children's Time

Shelly King

Offering

Worship Music

Come, Light of the World

Junior Choir

Sharing and Congregational Prayer with the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn

O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God

STJ 46

Scripture Reading

John 12:23-28

Mary Ann Watkins

Sermon

Wheat Planting Time

Silent Reflection

*Hymn

Spirit of God! Descend

HWB 502

*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.*