

Weekly Calendar

Today	Pre-Service Prayer	9:00 am
	Worship	9:30 am
	CE for Children	10:45 am
	Blood Pressures Taken	10:45 am
	CE for Adults	11:00 am
	MYF & JMYF	5:00 pm
	Junior Choir	6:00 pm
	Youth Choir	6:45 pm
Mon Nov 5	Financial Stewardship	4:30 pm
Tue Nov 6	Church Board	6:30 pm
Thur Nov 8	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am
	Process Design Team	6:00 pm
Sat Nov 10	Blood Drive	8:00 am

Today

Financial Stewardship Committee seeks feedback on the color of the new metal roof. The color choice has been narrowed to a smaller group. Come take a look at the larger samples in the library and share any feedback with a Financial Stewardship member.

More on 1st 9 months gifts to others:

Conferences:

CDC (Central District Conference)	\$11,290.51
IMC (Ill Mennonite Conference)	\$11,290.51

Camps:

Camp Friedenswald	\$3,079.53
Menno Haven Camp & Retreat Center	\$3,079.53

MEA (Menn. Education Association) \$11,699.28
Five colleges/universities, two seminaries, plus 30+ elementary/secondary schools

MCC (Menn. Central Committee)	\$3,079.53
MDS (Menn. Disaster Service)	\$1,378.53

Menno Media \$1,378.53

CPT (Christian Peacemaker Teams) \$1,378.53

Meadows Mennonite Home \$1,378.53

Maple Lawn Homes \$689.22

See display!

Attendance on October 28 was 198.

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. See the link in the Midweek or for more information from Illinois MDS, email Deanna Frey at dfrey@mds.mennonite.org.

Upcoming Events

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.

15th Annual Alternative Gifts Fair: This year's fair is coming the next two Sundays, November 11 & 18. Thanks to all of the families and Sunday School classes who volunteered to do a booth. Make sure you stop by to admire their work and support the projects! Have you filled out your shopping list yet? You can give any amount of money to any project and donations are tax-deductible. See you next week!

Songs of Life Unfolding - Cantus Novus in Concert. Sunday November 11, 3:00 pm at MCN. Music of creation and community inspired by the St. John's Bible and Shaker songs and hymns.

A Congregational Meal, which is a fundraiser for MCN's Youth Groups to attend Mennonite Church USA's 2019 Convention in Kansas City, will precede the congregational meeting November 18. Come enjoy a homemade meal by the youth!

A Congregational Meeting will take place on Sunday, November 18 at 1:00 pm. During this meeting the proposed 2019 Spending Plan will be presented. The proposed 2019 Spending Plan will be available for your review on Sunday, November 11.

Thanksgiving Day Potluck, 12:00 pm on November 22. For details and to sign up, visit the Community Events bulletin board in the atrium or look for the link in the next Midweek Connection.



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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.

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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Order of Worship November 4, 2018

Community Life		Pastor Tim Schrag
Prelude		Dorothy Loepp
Call to Worship		Kay Reimer
*Hymns	<i>Christ is Our Cornerstone</i> <i>O God of Mystery and Might</i>	Barry Weaver HWB 43 HWB 130
*Prayer		
Children's Time		Joe Culpepper
Offering		
Child Dedications	Vincent Von Belzer Miriam Elisabeth Charles-Dick	HWB 791
Sharing and Congregational Prayer		
*Hymn	<i>I Bind My Heart This Tide</i>	HWB 411
Scripture Reading	Matthew 14:1-14	David Voegtlin
Sermon	<i>The Crowds Will Be With You Always</i>	
Silent Reflection		
*Hymn	<i>The Lord is My Light</i>	STJ 97
*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.*