Weekly Calendar

| Today | Pre-Service Prayer | 9:00 am |
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| | Worship | 9:30 am |
| | CE for Children | 10:45 am |
| | Alternative Gifts Fair | 10:45 am |
| | CE for Adults | 11:00 am |
| | Cantus Novus Concert | 2:00 pm |
| | MYF & JMYF | 5:00 pm |
| | Junior Choir | 6:00 pm |
| | Youth Choir | 6:45 pm |
| | Adult Choir | 7:30 pm |
| Mon Nov 12 | Mennonite Women | 9:30 am |
| | Personnel Policy TF | 5:30 pm |
| Tue Nov 13 | Worship Committee | 5:00 pm |
| | Wellness Committee | 5:30 pm |
| | Youth Ministry Comm. | 6:00 pm |
| Wed Nov 14 | Pastoral Council | 6:00 pm |
| | Children's Time Wksh | 7:00 pm |
| Thur Nov 15 | Next Man Bible Study | 6:15 am |
| | Outreach Committee | 5:00 pm |

Today

15th Annual Alternative Gifts Fair: Please stop by after the church service this Sunday and next, admire the wonderful booths, and support Mennonite Central Committee and Alternative Gifts International's work across the globe. You can give any amount of money to any project and donations are tax-deductible. Extra shopping lists are available.

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.

> MCN Spending Plan Status Thank you for your offerings. Year-to-date Income \$396,179 Year-to-date Expenses \$396,542 October Income \$32,180 October Expenses \$32,761 Attendance on November 4 was 197.

Of Note

Student Mutual Aid Program (SMAP) would like to remind the congregation that the Spring semester payments for our Mennonite college students is quickly approaching. Our balance is \$7,500 dollars and our commitment is \$28,000 dollars. Payments can be placed in offering plate or at the front desk with checks and envelopes designated for SMAP fund. On behalf of the SMAP committee and the college students thank you for the continued support.

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.

Roll-up Mattresses for Immigrant Families: If you would like to help purchase a roll-up mattress for immigrant families, make checks out to the Mennonite Church of Normal, and in the memo line write immigrant outreach. Thanks!

Upcoming Events

Communion will be celebrated in worship here at MCN next Sunday, November 18th. In preparation, we are all encouraged to engage in self-examination - of both our relationships with God, and with others.

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. Copies of the proposed 2019 Spending Plan are available for your review on the entry table or through the link in the Midweek.

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 Midweek Connection.



A congregation of Mennonite Church USA

November 11, 2018

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

Mennonite Church of Normal

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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 Staff Christian Education Tim Schrag. Senior Pastor

Gather 'Round (age 3-1st grade) Room 11Nursery (newborn – age 3)Room 3PreK (3 & 4 year olds)Rooms 13 & 14Kindergarten & Grade 1Room 11Grades 2Room 12Grades 3 – 5Room 9Grades 6 – 8Room 8

Adults and High School 11:00 am Welcoming the LGBTQ Community: Biblical Perpectives 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

Tim Schrag, Senior Pastor tim@normalmennonite.org Jane Roeschley, Associate Pastor Worship & Lay Ministries jane@normalmennonite.org Lynn Reha, Office Manager officemanager@normalmennonite.org Lauren Satchwell, Interim Administrative Assistant Youth Ministry Leader church@normalmennonite.org Chris Culbertson, Children's Ministry Leader chrisculbertson22@gmail.com

Order of Worship November 11, 2018

| Community Life | e | Pastor Tim Schrag | |
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| Ministry Momer | nt Alternative Gifts Fair Song | | |
| Prelude | | Chris Culbertson | |
| Call to Worship | | Marge Weaver | |
| *Hymns | New Earth, Heavens New Brothers and Sisters of Mine | Cindy Ropp HWB 299 HWB 142 | |
| *Prayer | | | |
| Children's Time | e | Gerry Schrock | |
| Offering | | | |
| Sharing and Congregational Prayer with the Lord's Prayer | | | |
| *Hymn | Holy, Holy, Holy | HWB 75 | |
| Scripture Read | - | Matthew 6:7-15, 18:23-35 Marlphonsia Tania Kimbembe | |
| Sermon | ne Lord's Prayer: Reaching for God and God's Kingdom Meredith Schroeer | | |
| Silent Reflection | n | | |
| *Hymn | Be Thou My Vision | HWB 545 | |
| *Benediction | | | |
| *Postlude and I | Dismissal | | |