

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
Tues Jul 30	Staff Meeting	9:30 am
Thur Aug 1	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am
	Carpet Cleaning	
Sat Aug 3	Reimer Anniversary	2-4 pm

Of Note

New Hymnals: Order One for Yourself or in Honor of Someone for the Church. We are taking orders now for the new hymnals, Voices Together, (coming fall of 2020) so that we can qualify for the best discounts. \$22 (savings of \$2). Fill out the Order Form in your mailbox and return, with your check (put "hymnals" in the subject line) by Sept. 1. <http://voicestogetherhymnal.org/products/catalogue/voices-together-pew-edition/>

School Kits During the months of July & Aug., Mennonite Women will be collecting supplies for school kits to be distributed to children in need by Mennonite Central Committee.

Stewardship News

Today's focus: **Denominational affiliation**

We are a part of a national conference, **MC USA** and two regional conferences of **MC USA**, **Central District Conference (CDC)** and **Illinois Mennonite Conference (IMC)**. 2019 Spending plan for conferences: \$30,710.

MC USA meets every other year. We recently heard the youth reporting and responding to their experience in Kansas City.

The next meeting is in Cincinnati, OH in 2021. **CDC** and **IMC** meet annually. We send delegates to all three to participate in discussion of and decision on issues.

To participate in one of these events is a chance to learn about and experience the wider Church we are a part of.

CDC and **IMC** offer support to our pastoral staff. **MC USA** maintains a ministerial placement registry which is a huge blessing in our current pastoral transition process.

Attendance on July 14 was 135.

Be Thou My Vision Quiet Retreat Aug. 16-18 at the Chiara Center in Springfield, IL. Registration forms are on the Entry Table and **due to the church office by July 30.**

Join us at Menno Haven! Everyone is invited to Menno Haven Camp and Retreat Center on August 11 (there is no service that day at MCN) for our annual Sunday at Camp. Scheduled events include a worship service at 10:30am, followed by lunch in the dining hall. The camp offers many activities (swimming, boating, hiking, fishing, gymnasium, etc.) and refreshing spots to rest and converse. For those who wish to arrive early or stay late, campsites are available. This is a wonderful place to be immersed and refreshed in God's creation! **More details and registration coming soon.**

MCC Pipeline to Prison Learning Tour— Aug. 4-9 in Goshen, IN. The tour will focus on the challenges and complexities of the U.S. criminal justice system. All are welcome. Contact Juan Pacheco at (574)534-4133 or email JuanPacheco@mcc.org for more information.

Communion will be served Aug. 4. The Bible teaches that we are to "examine ourselves" in preparation (1 Cor 11:27-29). Our Mennonite forebears took seriously the idea of being fully at peace with God and one's Christian brothers and sisters in order to partake. Let us prepare with similar prayerful reflection and personal examination.

Mutual Aid Need

Pastoral Council seeks donations to replenish the mutual aid fund.

Over the past year funds have been used to enable youth and adults to attend camp and retreats, assist those facing housing insecurity, and match those who need a job done with those who need employment. Please consider giving, especially if you have never contributed to the mutual aid fund before. "This service you perform is not only supplying the needs of God's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God." 2 Corinthians 9:12 (see 2 Cor 9:6-11, too) Place in offering plate.



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

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Order of Worship July 28, 2019

In worship we are invited to exalt and encounter God so that we become more like Jesus Christ and by the power of the Holy Spirit, join God's mission to offer Christ's peace to hearts, home, community, and world.

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 10:45 am

Gather 'Round (age 3-1st grade) Room 11
 Nursery (newborn — age 3) Room 3

SHINE: Living in God's Light Curriculum

PreK (3 & 4 year olds) Rooms 13 & 14
 Kindergarten & Grade 1 Room 11
 Grades 2 Room 12
 Grades 3 — 5 Room 9

Youth 10:45 am

Grades 6 — 8 Room 8
 High School Rooms 5 & 7

Adults 11:00 am

Bible Study—Living In Covenant With God, Darrel Miller & Class Led, Conference Room (Room 2)

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Community Life		Pastor Tim Schrag
Prelude		Dorothy Loepp
Call to Worship		Mike Company
*Hymns	<i>For the Beauty of the Earth Beloved, God's Chosen</i>	Jenell Ulrich HWB 89 STJ 38
*Prayer		
Children's Time		Helen Brandon
Offering		
Sharing and Congregational Prayer and Lord's Prayer		
*Hymn	<i>I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light</i>	STJ 95
Scripture Reading	Matthew 6:25-34, Philippians 4:6-7	Wilma Dyck
Sermon	A lesson for children for all	Pastor Tim
Silent Reflection		
*Hymn	<i>Be Thou My Vision</i>	HWB 545
*Benediction		
*Postlude		

**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.*