

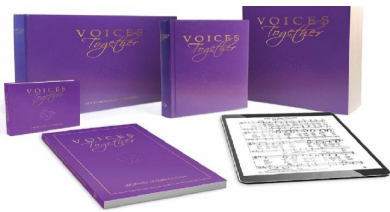
Weekly Calendar

Today	Pre-Service Prayer	9 am
	Worship	9:30 am
	CE for Children	10:45 am
	CE for Adults	11 am
	Share Your Passion	11 am
	Child Protection Meeting	12 pm
	Spending Plan Review	12 pm
Tues Aug. 20	Staff Meeting	9:30 am
	Youth Ministry Comm.	6:30 pm
Thur Aug 22	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am

Of Note

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

Hymnal Orders There are three options for ordering hymnals: 1) Personal copies for yourself or others (not tax deductible), 2) Copies in Honor/Memory of Someone for the church (tax deductible) and 3) Copies as gifts for the Church (tax deductible). All hymnals are \$22. If you have any questions about placing your order, see Pastor Jane or Laurie.



Stewardship News

Today's focus: **Income & Expenses to date**

July : Income: \$31,111.60
Expenses: \$44,040.61
Income - Expenses: (\$12,929.01)

Year to date:
Income: \$247,367.99
Expenses: \$288,742.37
Income - Expenses = (\$41,374.38)

Last year we were only \$15,048.94 behind. Working together we can meet our goals. Thank you for your gifts to the ministry at MCN.

Attendance on last Sunday was 51.

Spending Plan Review Information Sessions Announced Where does your donation go? What programs and outreach are being supported by our Spending Plan? The Board has asked the Financial Stewardship (FS) Committee to review our Spending Plan, and make recommendations for any changes, especially in outreach. The FS Committee would like to give you information about our current Spending Plan, and some research into the spending plans for similar churches. The FS committee will be taking questions and suggestions, also. That information session is planned for noon Aug.18 and will be repeated at 11 a.m. and at noon on Sept. 8.

Memory Book for Tim and Sue Schrag Thank you to all who submitted pages for the Memory Book. The book has been put together and there is still room in the book for additional pages. If you took a blank page and have not yet submitted it, please bring it to the church office and put in the box on the table designated for Memory Book sheets. Additionally, there is still time to pick up a blank page, complete and return it to the church office. If you have questions, please talk with Stephanie Company or Mary Ann Watkins.

Retirement Celebration for Tim and Sue Schrag Please join the Church Board as we celebrate the retirement of Pastor Tim Schrag and thank him for his many years of service to Mennonite Church of Normal.

Sunday, Aug. 25 will be Tim's final sermon as pastor of our congregation. A cake and punch reception will be served during the fellowship time between the Church Service and the Sunday School hour. This time together will give the opportunity to bid farewell to the Schrags.

Sunday, Sept. 1 Doug Luginbill, Central District Conference Minister, will be preaching. Pastor Schrag will be officially retired but he and Sue will be in attendance that day. A fellowship meal will be served at noon and there will be special gifts and words of appreciation presented to Tim and Sue. This will be our final farewell to Schrags.

For those who plan to make a monetary gift in honor of Tim's retirement you may do so through normal giving methods to the church office. Please note that these gifts must be received no later than Sunday, Aug. 25.

If you have questions contact Stephanie Company or Mary Ann Watkins.



Mennonite Church of Normal

A congregation of
Mennonite Church USA

Aug. 18, 2019

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 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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Order of Worship

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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.

Community Life		Pastor Tim Schrag
Prelude		Dorothy Loepp
Call to Worship		Kay Reimer
*Hymns	<i>Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing God Whose Love is Always Stronger</i>	Cindy Ropp HWB 12 Screen
*Prayer		
Children's Time		Shelly King
Offering		
Sharing and Congregational Prayer		
*Hymn	<i>There is More Love Somewhere</i>	STJ 109
Scripture Readings	Matthew 12:43-45; 1 John 4:7-18	Erin Ponnou-Delaffon
Sermon	Hosting and Housekeeping: Choosing Love Over Fear	Pastor Tim
Silent Reflection		
*Hymn	<i>How Can I Say?</i>	STS 117
**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.*