

Weekly Calendar

Today	Pre-Service Prayer	9:00 am
	Worship	9:30 am
	CE for Children	10:45 am
	CE for Adults	11am
	Lunch, Song Circle with Youth	Noon
	EBFG Design Team	Noon
	Junior Choir	6 pm
	Youth Choir	6:45 pm
Mon Oct. 14	Mennonite Women	9:30 am
	Financial Stewardship	4:30 pm
Tues Oct. 15	Staff Meeting	9:30 am
	Cluster Leaders Support	6 pm
Wed Oct. 16	Information Meeting	6:30 pm
Thur Oct. 17	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am

Interim Office Hours and Visitation. Pastor Jim Bortell will usually be in the church office Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday at 11 am. Jim may be contacted at jimbortell@gmail.com or 309-830-5897. Pastor Ron Ropp is available for hospital visits, as needed.

Congregational Information Meeting There will be an information session on Wednesday, Oct. 16 at 6:30 pm to discuss a possible tenant for the space formerly used by Head Start and ways to continue quality Adult Christian Education. This meeting is open to all.

Mennonite Disaster Service MDS Trip to South Dakota. If interested in a week of work and fellowship as MDS volunteers where Wayne and Lois Hochstetler are unit leaders, Nov 3-9 or Nov 10-16, contact Pastor Jane by Oct.20.

Stewardship News

Oct. 13
 Today's focus: **Income & Expenses to date**
September : Income: \$46,690.11
 Expenses: \$27,420.02
 Income - Expenses: \$19,270.09
Year to date: (Through September)
 Income: \$322,737.74
 Expenses: \$353,929.59
 Income - Expenses = **(\$31,191.95)**
 In Sept, income was up & expenses down.
 We gained on the deficit! We have more to go!
Working together we can do this!

Of Note

Welcome to Bryan Moyer Suderman who is with us in Worship and Fellowship Hour. Lunch and song circle with youth at noon.

Announcements Please give or send all announcements you want publicly shared during Community Life to Pastors Jim or Jane.

Camp Friedenswald is going Solar!!! Over the past two years, Camp Friedenswald has been working towards reducing our energy use through LED lighting, motion sensors, sustainable purchasing, changing our habits - and more!! Camp has now completed the installation of 180 Solar panels to generate energy to power the Dining Hall, cabins, and other facilities on the main camp. The estimated production of the panels will save over 68,000 kWh of energy annually - roughly 25% of Camp's total energy use. Not only will the panels bring a cleaner, renewable source of energy to Camp, but they will also reduce our annual electric expenses. We continue to make energy improvements throughout the Camp. Gifts toward these our Solar and Energy initiative are welcomed.

Offering Envelopes Could you please tell the church office how many offering envelopes you need for 2020? Making the office aware of your specific needs helps us save money and paper. Please complete the green slip that was put into your mailbox and leave it in the basket on the Entry Table. Or call Laurie in the church office and let her know how many you need. Thanks for helping us be economical.

Blood Drive Saturday, Oct. 26 from 8 am to noon at MCN.

Attendance last Sunday was 154.



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

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Order of Worship

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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

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.

All people of any race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, age, education, or ability who confess faith in Jesus Christ, are welcome to participate in the full life and ministry of the Mennonite Church of Normal. Furthermore, All people of any gender or sexual orientation who confess faith in Jesus Christ, may become members, be married, and are eligible for all volunteer, staff, and pastoral positions at the Mennonite Church of Normal.

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)
Service Response Class, led by Roger Clemmons, Steve Stenger, Gail Fisher and others. Room 4.

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Community Life

Pastor Jim Bortell

Prelude

The Youth Musicians

Call to Worship

Pastor Jane Roeschley

*Hymns

Jenell Ulrich, Chris Culbertson

*Spirit, Working in Creation
Jesus, Thou Mighty Lord*

STS 10
HWB 115

*Prayer

Offering

Jace and Alexa Hoffmann

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Pastor Jim Bortell

Scripture

Matthew 11:1-15

Children's Time

Bryan Moyer Suderman

Musical Meditation

Detective of Divinity

*Hymn

Blest are They

STJ 94

*Sung Benediction

The Youth Musicians

**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.*