

Weekly Calendar

Today	Pre-Service Prayer	9:00 am
	Worship	9:30 am
	CE for Children	10:45 am
	CE for Adults	11am
	Junior Choir	6 pm
Tues Oct. 29	Youth Choir	6:45 pm
	Staff Meeting	9:30 am
Thur Oct. 31	Leadership Selection	5 pm
	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 jimortell@gmail.com or 309-830-5897. Pastor Ron Ropp is available for hospital visits, as needed.

Attendance last Sunday was 148.

Of Note

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

LGBTQIA+ Safe Space & Ally Group. If you are interested in forming a group to explore ways to help make MCN be an LGBTQIA+ safe and inclusive space, contact Andy Hedberg. If you want to chat about the group and hear ideas you can help with, come visit with Andy at the front of the church right after the service today. We'll be done in time for you to attend Sunday School.

Church Membership. Pastor Jane will hold exploring membership sessions in November during C.E. time. If interested in becoming an MCN member yet this fall, please let her know.

Nov 3 Congregational Meeting and meal – a major item for that meeting will be a discussion of the proposed 2020 spending plan. Hard copies will be available today and online copies beginning Oct 21. Come and join in the discussion.

I'd Like to Buy an Enemy comedy play by Ted & Co. Sunday, Nov.10, 3 pm at Lincoln Hall Theatre, University of Illinois. Free. This thought-provoking show allows us to laugh at ourselves, while engaging us to consider the influence of America's highly militarized presence in the world, to confront the fear that drives our culture, and to consider how we can work for peace and justice in the U.S. and globally.



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A congregation of
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Stewardship News

Today's focus: **Big Picture items**
Spending plans: 2019, 2020 prop
Totals \$495,166 \$451,998

Local prog	8.5%	8.8%
Staff & Adm	48.4%	43.2%
Facilities	17.0%	19.1%
Sent out	26.1%	28.9%

Come join us on Nov 3 at 1 pm to see the details and talk to the FSC. Does this plan help us accomplish our mission? Thank you for your gifts to the ministry at MCN!

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

Dorothy Loepp

Call to Worship

Darvis King

*Hymns

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise
Crown Him With Many Crowns*

Glenn Wilson
HWB 70
HWB 116

*Prayer

Children's Time

Joe Culpepper

Offering

Menno Minute: Creating a Culture of Care and Generosity
Immigration Partnership

Phyllis Versteegh

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Pastor Jim Bortell

*Hymn

My Hope is Built

HWB 343

Scripture

Psalm 118:24-29

Marge Weaver

Sermon

This is the Day!

Reflection

*Hymn

This is a Day of New Beginnings

HWB 640

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.*