

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
	Youth Choir	6:45 pm
Mon Nov. 11	Mennonite Women	9:30 am
Tues Nov. 12	Staff Meeting	9:30 am
	Worship Committee	3:30 pm
	Peace & Justice	5 pm
Wed Nov. 13	Church Board	5:30 pm
Thur Nov. 14	Next Man Bible Study	6:15 am
	Outreach	5 pm
	Youth Ministry	6 pm
	Pastoral Council	6 pm
Fri Nov. 15	Midwest Food Bank	6 pm

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.

Midwest Food Bank Volunteer Opportunity
Please join us Youth Ministry for a fun evening of service with your church family at Midwest Food Bank 6-8 pm on Friday, Nov. 15. Anyone 5 years and older is welcome! Go to Sign Up Genius to sign up.

Of Note

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

I'd Like to Buy an Enemy comedy play by Ted & Co. today, 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.

Alternative Gifts Fair. Be sure to visit the Alternative Gifts Fair in the back of the sanctuary which will run through Nov 17. Give someone the gift of giving and gratitude this year. See you there.

Retirement Celebration for Jane Roeschley

Please join the Church Board as we celebrate the retirement of Pastor Jane Roeschley and thank her for her many years of service to MCN.

Sunday, Nov. 24

Pastor Jane will preach and this will be her last Sunday of attendance at MCN (until she returns one day in the future after a time away). Included in the service will be an anointing service. Doug Luginbill, CDC Conference Minister, will be here and will lead the Litany of Blessing and Release. There will be no Sunday School so there will be time for a reception and program.

Memory Book

We are asking the congregation to bring retirement cards or notes. Bring them to the office no later than Friday, Nov. 15. They will be placed in book—please do not write on the back. If you have questions contact Stephanie Company or Mary Ann Watkins.

Thank you. Thank you to everyone who joined the youth last Sunday for lunch and made it a successful fundraiser!

Lost and Found. The Lost and Found area is overflowing. Please check through all the items and take home anything that belongs to your family.

Cantus Novus Chorale will present their fall concert Sunday, Nov. 17 at 3 pm at MCN. Free, donations appreciated.

Attendance last Sunday was 151.



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A congregation of
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Stewardship News

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

October : Income: \$37,133.66
Expenses: \$29,863.33
Income - Expenses: \$7,270.33

Year to date: (Through October)

Income: \$359,871.40
Expenses: \$383,575.02
Income - Expenses = **(\$23,703.62)**

We gained on the deficit, from \$50,000 to \$31,000 to now \$23,000. We have more to go for the next two months!

Working together we can do this!

Would you consider a 13th month gift?

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 Nov. 10, 2019

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

Ministry Moment

Alternative Gifts Fair Song

Prelude

The Youth Musicians

Call to Worship

Melika Hershberger

*Hymns

*Immortal, Invisible
Let the Whole Creation Cry*

Cindy Ropp
HWB 70
HWB 51

*Prayer

Children's Time

Chris Culbertson

Offering

Menno Minute

Growing a Culture of Care and Generosity
Midwest Food Bank

J'ne Augspurger

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

*Hymn

O Breathe on me, O Breath of God

STJ 46

Scripture

Philemon 1:4-22

Mark Roeschley

Sermon

Formed and Transformed in Love

Dr. Rebecca Stolzhus,
President, Goshen College

Reflection

*Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

HWB 592

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.*