

Weekly Calendar

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| Today | Pre-Service Prayer | 9 am |
| | Worship | 9:30 am |
| | C.E. for Children | 10:45 am |
| | C.E. For Adults | 11 am |
| | Junior Choir | 6 pm |
| | Youth Choir | 6:45 pm |
| Mon Feb. 10 | Mennonite Women | 9:30 am |
| | Financial Stewardship | 4:30 pm |
| Tues Feb. 11 | Church Board | 5:30 pm |
| Wed Feb. 12 | 100 Gifts for 100 Years | 6:30 pm |
| | Pastoral Council | 6:30 pm |
| Thur Feb. 13 | Next Man Bible Study | 6:15 am |

Pastor Ron Ropp is handling visitation to people with health issues. Barry and Marge Weaver are also helping with visitation with those in care facilities or homebound.

Encountering Mental Health Challenges A class, sponsored by the Wellness Committee to provide basic mental health knowledge and training for responding to individuals in distress, will begin March 01, 2020. Individuals are invited to tell their mental health stories. It could be a personal journey or the effect of a family member's or friend's mental health challenge on you. Confidentiality will be stressed. If you are willing to share in the class in this way, please contact Lois Hochstetler, Kristen Satchwell or Bess Desch personally or with an email or note in one of their mailboxes. Questions or concerns can be addressed to any of them. An additional goal for the class is to aid in removing the stigma of seeking help for those with a mental help challenge. You could be instrumental in this effort. Please respond by Feb. 9.

Parking If you are able-bodied please do not park on the south side of the church during Sunday worship and other well-attended events. This leaves spaces for people who do not have a handicap permit but would benefit from parking near the door. Thank you.

February sermon series on Ruth *God provides, we decide*, includes dramatic monologues from four of the characters: Orpah, Naomi, Boaz, and Ruth.

New Compostable Tableware for Relief Sale See details in the Feb. 5 Midweek.

Of Note

Visits with Transitional Pastor. If you have not already done so please schedule your visit with Gary Martin. Complete details are in the Midweek along with the hotlink to Sign Up Genius. If you need assistance call the church office. Thanks for being part of this important process.

Attendance last Sunday was 125.



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A congregation of
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Feb. 9, 2020

Stewardship News

Today's focus: The Sent Out portion of the Spending Plan
This is 28.9% of the Plan with a total of \$130,543
Here is the breakdown:

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| Mennonite Mission Network | \$47,661 |
| Regional Conferences: CDC, IMC | \$31,324 |
| Mennonite Education Assn, MEA | \$16,229 |
| Outreach Committee | \$9,000 |
| Camps: Friedenswald & Menno Haven | \$8,544 |
| Mennonite Central Committee, MCC | \$4,113 |
| Peace & Justice Committee | \$2,500 |
| Mennonite Disaster Service MDS | \$1,912 |
| Menno Media | \$1,912 |
| Christian Peacemaker Teams | \$1,912 |
| Maple Lawn Chaplaincy | \$956 |
| Indigent Assistance | \$400 |
| Ministry Support | \$4,080 |
| Total | \$130,543 |

This is MCCs 100 th year! Which of these would you like to hear more about? I have additional information on most of them.

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

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Order of Worship Feb. 9, 2020 God provides, we decide

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 a.m. 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&3 Room 12
Grades 4&5 Room 9

Youth 10:45 am

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

Adults 11 am

Bible Study—Living In Covenant With God, Darrel Miller & class led, Conference Room (Room 2).
Adult Class: **The Bible Unwrapped**, led by Randy Zehr, Room 4.

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Community Life

Pastor Gary Martin

Prelude

The Youth Musicians

Call to Worship

Joe Culpepper

Prayer

*Opening Hymns

*Christ is our cornerstone
Great is thy faithfulness*

Dorothy Loepp, Glenn Wilson
HWB 43
HWB 327

Children's Time

Holly Zehr

Offering

Congregational Sharing, Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Scripture

Ruth 1:19-2:20

Shannon Neely

Dramatic Monologue

Naomi and Obed

Judy Hershberger and Jace Hoffmann

Sermon

God can handle it

Pastor Gary

Silent Reflection

*Hymn

Nothing is lost on the breath of God

STS 121

Recognition of Marge Nester's Parish Nurse ministry

Special Music

Nester grandchildren

*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.*