

Mennonite Church of Normal

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost June 20, 2021

Gathering in God's Presence

Congregational Life

Prelude *Lord I want to be a Christian* arr. Callahan

Gathering Prayer VT 861

Creator,
we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us
for our visit within your creation.

In Jesus, you place the gospel in the center of this sacred circle
through which all creation is related.

You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life.

Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment
as we grow in your Spirit, for you are God, now and forever. Amen.

Praising God Together

Songs of Praise: *Summoned by the God Who Made Us* VT 1
God, Be the Love VT 43

Offering

Hearing God's Word

Invitation Song: *Let the children come* VT 512

Children's Time:

Invitation Song: *Listen to the Word* VT 405

Scripture Reading: Colossians 3:12-17

Sermon: *Five notes from thankful hearts*

Receiving God's Grace

Confession Reconciling

Merciful God,

As your children, we are sorry for failing to put up with the faults of
others, when you have so graciously and generously forgiven
each one of us.

Forgive us, again. Help us to have thankful hearts, and experience
your peace in our lives. Amen

Sharing Joys & Concerns, Prayer

Sent in the Spirit's Power

Sending Song: *Christ, Be All Around Me* VT 848

Sending Words

Postlude *For the Beauty of the Earth* arr. Philip Clemens

Assisting in Worship

Song Leader: Cindy Ropp *Children's Story:* Annette Harnish

Scripture: Randy Zehr *Prayer:* Joe Culpepper

Worship Plan/Sermon: Gary Martin

Accompanist/Prelude/Postlude: Dorothy Loepp

Gathering Prayer: Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples (Canada)

This Week

Mon. 4:00pm Worship Committee

Tues. 5:00pm Peace & Justice Commttee

Wed. 9:30am Men's Bible Discussion

Sat. 10:00am-5:15pm Central District Conference (virtual)

Mennonite Church of Normal is a nurturing, Christ-centered Anabaptist congregation that welcomes all people. As followers of Jesus, we aspire to transform our communities and world into places of peace, healing, and hope.

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 MCN.

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