

THE MIDWEEK



WORSHIP

THIS SUNDAY 9:30 A.M.

When it feels like we have nothing, Jesus miraculously provides what we cannot provide for ourselves, then invites us to contribute to the sustenance he has already prepared. We serve Jesus best, when we invite others to & "Come, and have breakfast. with Jesus. The sermon, "Jesus provides breakfast," by Melika Hershberger, is based on John 21:1-14. The service will also be livestreamed—see the link below. Gary Martin is planning and leading the service.

Those watching the livestream service, will hear music, instead of the sharing and prayer time—please e-mail your joys and concerns to the church office by Friday, 3pm, to be included in the Sunday prayer. During June, there will be no after-service programming.

After worship:

June 20: Colossians 3:12-17, "Clothed in love, hearts filled with peace and gratitude."

Looking Ahead:

PLEASE CLICK [HERE](#) FOR MEETING, ZOOM, AND OTHER RECORDINGS

PLEASE CLICK [HERE](#) FOR LAST WEEKS MUSIC AND UPCOMING WORSHIP MATERIALS AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE

IMPORTANT DATES:

Worship
Sunday, 9:30 am

June 13th,
Another Outdoor
gathering at the
Ulrich's
2-7 p.m.

OFFICE CLOSED:
6/10-6/11-6/13
Church Voicemail
and E-mail will be
checked!



**Mennonite
Church
of Normal**

A congregation of
Mennonite Church USA

Projected Structure Implementation

ANNOUNCEMENTS

June 27 :

Two Spiritual Gift Discernment
Team members

July 11:

Vision Team Chair and Vice-Chair

July 18:

Pastoral Team Search Committee

August 1:

Commission members (most)

This Week at MCN

A BRIEF LOOK AT THE
CHURCH CALENDAR:
THE FULL CHURCH
CALENDAR IS AVAILABLE
AT NORMAL
MENNONITE.ORG

Wednesday:

4:30 Outreach Committee Meeting

Thursday:

6:30 am Next Man Bible Study

Sunday:

9:30 a.m. Worship

Monday:

1:00pm Spiritual Gifts Small
Group

5:30 Welcome Home Task
Group

Tuesday:

5:00p.m. Peace & Justice
Committee

Wednesday:

9:30 a.m. Men's Bible
Discussion

Birthdays & Anniversaries

CELEBRATING LIFE'S MOMENTS AT MCN

Kari Harvey	06/01
Jace Hoffman	06/04
Nicholas Neely	06/09
John Reimer	06/09
Diane Wiman	06/10
Miriam Kennelll	06/12
Joseph Warfel	06/12
Andreas Unzicker	06/14
Hayden Yoder	06/14
Michelle Miller	06/17

Duane & Stephanie Nester	06/03
Ken & Doris Shoemaker	06/03
John & Janet Gundy	06/09
Mike & Stepahnie Company	06/09
Keith & Shannon Unzicker	06/12
Juergen & Meredith Schroeer	06/14



Worship

VIA LIVESTREAM AND IN PERSON

Both in person worship and live stream worship are available for congregants to attend each Sunday at 9:30. Please see further details about in person gathering expectations on Page 4. All doors will be open on Sunday.

Please click [HERE](#) for detailed instructions about the livestream option.

Please click on the link below to connect to the worship livestream directly :

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQdxexzd60K3Y8iLZlaA6Yg>

Ninety-three responded to the Vision Team slate. *The congregation has called Barry Weaver, Shannon Neely and Ben Roeschley to serve on the Vision Team.* Each has accepted this call. Two additional positions, Vision Team Chair and Vice-Chair, will be discerned by a yet-to-be-called Spiritual Gift Discernment Team (see below). This step is designed to balance gender, age, etc., among the five Vision Team members, while allowing the majority of the Vision Team to be elected directly by the congregation. A representative from the Pastoral Team, also meets with the Vision Team, in a non-voting capacity.

The Vision Team's role is limited to oversight of congregational vision, and the Pastoral Team. Its work is very different from the former Church Board. A majority of Church Board agenda, will now be accomplished in the five new Commissions.

Since the Vision Team is not yet complete, two Spiritual Gift Discernment Team members will be selected by a one-time committee comprised of the three Vision Team members (Barry, Shannon, Ben), a pastor (Gary Martin), and representing the former structure, the Pastoral Council chair (Melika Hershberger). We anticipate presenting the two SGDT candidates to the congregation for feedback, by June 27.

Since the Spiritual Gift Discernment Team is not yet complete, another one-time committee, comprised of the two new SGDT members, plus a Pastor (Gary), and Pastoral Council chair (Melika), will then discern the Vision Team Chair and Vice Chair positions. They can be selected from the three Vision Team members, or from the other seven on the Vision Team slate, or from the congregation. If either position is filled with one of the first three Vision Team members, the next in line in the Vision Team election results, who is willing to serve, joins the Vision Team. July 11, is a target for presenting the Chair and Vice-Chair candidates to the congregation, for feedback. The first priority when the Vision Team is complete, is to call a Pastoral Team Search Committee.

Please continue to support this ongoing discernment process in prayer. And thanks to all current committees, to continue you ministries through August, and projecting programming, at least through September. You will likely be contacted by a Commission, sometime in August.

Questions? Contact a Structure Evaluation Task Group member: Spring Neely, Bess Desch, Lauren Satchwell, Cindy Ropp, Rick Harnish.

-Gary Martin

News...from Paradise, California

AN UPDATE FROM WAYNE & LOIS

Wayne & Lois Hochstetler are serving with Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS). They write: "We have arrived safely here at this wonderful place, filled with so much loss and hidden grief. The long-term volunteers are all present now, and tonight the weekly volunteers will arrive. Then the real work of rebuilding people's lives and spirits and homes begins." Wayne is managing the office, and Lois is the assistant cook.

Another Outdoor Gathering Event!

AT THE ULRICH'S

Sunday, June 13, 2 to 7 pm , we're all invited back to Doug and Jenell Ulrich's yard and pond! There is plenty of space, so feel free to bring your picnic, yard games, fishing gear, swimwear and rafts, and lawn chairs. Be aware that shade doesn't arrive on the back patio til around 3 pm. It's a great way to spend a chunk of the day with folks from our MCN community! (Restroom is available.) And remember, the address is 690 CR 2000E, Secor, NOT Roanoke.

Our Members in Care Facilities

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE MEMBERS IN YOUR PRAYERS. SEND A CARD IF THE SPIRIT LEADS YOU!

Alice Swift
Luther Oaks Apt. 2201
601 Lutz Road
Bloomington, IL 61704

Ruth Marquis
Heritage Health, Apt 111
700 E. Walnut St.
Bloomington, IL. 61701

Jo Ropp
McLean County Nursing Home,
Apt 328
901 N Main St.
Normal, IL 61761

Margaret Hopkins
Sugar Creek Alzheimer's Unit

Deborah Spacek
Evergreen Village, Apt 292
1701 Evergreen Ln.
Normal, IL 61761

Joyce Schmucker
Luther Oaks Assisted Living, Apt
2110
601 Lutz Rd
Bloomington, IL 61704-8624

Ken Shoemaker
Sugar Creek Alzheimer's Special
Care Unit
505 E Vernon Ave.
Normal, IL 61761

A new Small Group...

...with a focus on spiritual gift discernment, will begin when at least five have expressed interest. It will likely be completed in 7-8 sessions, and may be in-person or on zoom (or combination), depending on desires of those who sign up. If interested, contact Gary Martin as soon as possible. Participation in these short-term groups, is important for successful implementation of the structure revisions.

Interested in Membership?

CONTACT GARY MARTIN FOR MORE INFO

Some have started attending in the last year or two, and others have been waiting to “see what happens during transition.” That time has arrived: the Vision Statement provides direction, and Proposed Structure Revisions presented this Sunday, bring more clarity to MCN’s future. Contact Gary Martin (below) , to express interest, or ask questions

Sharing Joys & Concerns

MCN IS ASKED TO BE IN CONTINUED PRAYER FOR FOR THE CRITICAL CARE UNIT
OF CARLEBROMENN MEDICAL CENTER—OUR PARTNER IN HEALING FOR 2021

In Search of a Volunteer!

WE NEED A WARM AND FRIENDLY FACE IN THE OFFICE JUNE 17 AND 22 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 12-4:30. DUTIES INCLUDE ANSWERING THE PHONE AND TAKING DOWN MESSAGES, AS WELL AS TENDING TO ANY GUESTS THAT COME BY THE BUILDING. PLEASE E-MAIL THE OFFICE ATCHURCH@NORMALMENNONITE.ORG IF YOU ARE INTERESTED!



Thank You!

Thanks to all who helped prepare for resuming worship in the Sanctuary! Countless hours were contributed to this effort! Our apologies in advance. We have certainly missed some who should be recognized.

Men's bathroom remodel: Lotus Hershberger, Loren Moshier, Roger Clemmons, John Reimer, Marge & Barry Weaver, Ruth & Joe Haney, Bryan Oyer, Steve Stenger, Ross Hershberger, Emily Hershberger.

Junior High Room refresh: Caleb and Adam Augspurger, Terry Wiebenga, Rick, Connie and Kristen Satchwell, Mike Company.

Livestreaming Project: Glenn Wilson, Caleb Augspurger, Keith Unzicker, Cory Culbertson, Wesley Hershberger and Cindy Ropp.

Flowers and signs: Nancy Fisher, Vivian Hubbard, Devon Tracy

Replacing old hymnals with Voices Together: Joe Culpepper, Nancy Fisher, Lotus Hershberger

Chair upholstery cleaning/building sanitizing: Bryan Oyer

Sanctuary visuals: Nancy Fisher, Devon Tracy

Welcome Home Task Group: Mary Dyck, Mary Ann Watkins, Lotus Hershberger, Cindy Ropp, Gail Fisher, Glenn Wilson

Resume Worship Task Group: Joe Culpepper, Keith Unzicker, Cindy Ropp, Rick Satchwell, Glenn Wilson, Caleb Augspurger

Outdoor Summer Events Task Group: Nancy Fisher, Marge Weaver, Cindy Ropp, Connie Satchwell, Mary Dyck

Staff Contact & Office Hours

OFFICE HOURS M-F 9:30-2:30

Gary Martin, Transitional Pastor, 574- 238-5475, gmartin5@comcast.net ,Vacation: June 10-11; In Normal: June 12-13; 17-21, 25-28

Ron Ropp, Pastor of Visitation is providing pastoral care for those who are ill or hospitalized. 309- 452-8534

Devon Rae Tracy, Office Manager; church@normalmennonite.org or 309.452.6622 will forward to the new church cell phone 217.255.2119.

Bryan Oyer, custodian

Lauren Satchwell, Youth Ministry Leader; satchwell.lauren@gmail.com

Expectations for Worship

EXPECTATIONS FOR IN PERSON GATHERING, A VIRTUAL
OPTION WILL CONTINUE INDEFINITELY

Before Coming:

- Expect to experience the love of God in Christ Jesus
- Expect to be welcomed
- Expect to be greeted with smiles, helpful direction, and grateful people
- Expect that you will be encouraged to honor, worship, and reveal God in, with, and through your being
- Eat or drink prior to arriving at the church

Upon Arrival:

- Arrive 10-20 minutes ahead of service
- Put on your mask prior to entering the building
- Greet others with smiles and bows
- Pick up a bulletin
- Respect others' space through social distancing
- Use hand sanitizer as needed

Seating:

- Find seating for your family grouping with social distancing from other family groups
- Covered seats aren't available for sitting

During Worship:

- All people are welcome to sing with masks
- Continue to wear masks while in the building
- Use restrooms or nursery as needed (No Nanny service is available)

Post Service:

- Greet each other and fellowship in the parking lot
- Use hand sanitizer as needed
- Use restrooms as needed