### **Mennonite Church of Normal**

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 29, 2021

### **Gathering in God's Presence**

Welcome/Congregational Life

Prelude

Call to Worship VT 874

**Opening Prayer** 

**Praising the Name of Jesus** 

Songs of Praise: Come We That Love the Lord VT 31

My Jesus, I Love Thee VT 133

**Hearing God's Word** 

Song Let the children come VT 512

Children's Story

Invitation to Listen Listen to the Word VT 405

Scripture James 1:19-27 and Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Sermon What's inside?

**Receiving God's Grace** 

Confession / Assurance of Forgiveness VT 890

Response Song: Spirit of God, Descend VT 557

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer

## Sent in the Spirit's Power

Benediction Postlude

# Assisting in Worship

Worship Planner: Elsa Raab Worship Leader: Ben Roeschley Song Leader: Jenell Ulrich Children's Story: Joe Culpepper

Sermon: Gary Martin

Prelude/Postlude/Accompanist: Dorothy Loepp Scripture & Prayer Leader: Shannon Neely

#### This Week:

Today	10:30 a.m.	Church Types After Worship Event
	8:00 p.m.	Outreach Commission
Thursday	6:30 a.m.	Next Man Bible Discussion
	8:30 a.m.	Spiritual Gift Discernment Team
	7:30 p.m.	Vision Team
Next Sunday	10:30 a.m.	No after worship event

**New Commission candidate:** Annette Harnish, Worship Commission. Please send feedback to Lynn Reha or Nancy Fisher, by September 1.

#### **Our Mission:**

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.

Our Vision: By 2024 we will be

- a congregation that is equipping all to learn about, walk with, and live out the teachings of Jesus in daily life;
- a dynamic faith community that nurtures and nourishes relationships, so that our care and understanding of each other is deepened;
- an active faith community, developing significant and meaningful relationships through expanding our care for and understanding about/with those beyond MCN.

Building Open Hours: Monday-Friday, 2-5pm

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