

THE MIDWEEK



WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY 9:30 A.M.

Jim Bortell will be sharing the sermon, *Spiritual Affective Disorder*, referencing scriptures Mark 2:21-22 and 2 Corinthians 4:4,7-10.

The service will be live streamed on YouTube at this [link](#).

Those who are serving February 27:
South Greeters: Cal and Vivian Hubbard
West Greeter: Pam Hodel
Ushers: Mike and Stephanie Company
Welcome Table: Marge Weaver
Worship Leader: Joe Culpepper
Children's Story: Annette Harnish
Scripture Reader: Gabriella Harnish
Song Leader: Cindy Ropp
Accompanist: Elsa Raab

Important Dates:

This Sunday:

Please Join us for worship in-person or live stream on YouTube!

After Worship:

You are invited to stay awhile and Reacquaint & Reconnect - R&R - with our fellow church members. More details will follow after worship.

Children & Youth CE resumes!



Please click [here](#) for instructions for joining MCN's livestream. The bulletins get posted under the Worship tab of our [website](#).

This Week at MCN

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

Wednesday, February 23

6:30 pm Congregational Care Committee (Zoom)

Thursday, February 24

6:30 am Next Man Bible Study (Zoom)

2:00 pm Women's Book Group (Zoom)

6:00 pm Administration Commission (Zoom)

Tuesday, March 1

7:00 pm Interim Pastoral Team (Zoom)

Wednesday, March 2 - Ash Wednesday

9:30 pm Wednesday Morning Book Group

Phishing Messages

Pastor Ron Ropp's name is being used to send out phishing messages. Ron does not text nor does anyone from the Interim Pastoral Team solicit donations or gift cards. Be safe!

Interim Pastoral Team Update

Beginning Sunday, February 27, you are invited to stay awhile and Reacquaint & Reconnect - R&R - with our fellow church members. These conversations with some questions to guide will be held in small groups during the Sunday School hour. Some of the questions will be lighthearted while others will help us know how to support one another in spiritual growth. You're invited to submit questions that would support these goals and that you would like to discuss. Send your ideas for questions to Holly Zehr at hmzehr@hotmail.com.

Nursery Availability

The Infant nursery is open and available for use, but will not be staffed. The preschool nursery is available immediately following the Children's Time each Sunday, and will continue to be staffed.

Mini Bazaar at the Mennonite Church of Normal

The mini bazaar is open in the fellowship area at MCN until February 28. Some of the items available are crochet items, kitchen items, fun baskets, items donated by Lois Jett, Elfriede Massier, kids games, and other handmade items. More is added all the time! The church is open weekdays from 3-6pm or you can contact Gerry Schrock at 309-678-9541 to arrange another time that she could let you in the church. Donations will be accepted and proceeds will go to Mennonite Central Committee (MCC). Questions can be directed to Gerry Schrock or Louise Reeser.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

CELEBRATING LIFE'S MOMENTS AT MCN



Prayer Requests and Announcements

Sharing of Joys and Concerns will return to open mic sharing during the services. Please continue to send announcements to Lynette Miller at lynette.miller.k@gmail.com so that these can be shared by the worship leader during the Community Life portion of the service. When sharing, it's helpful if your requests are succinct. This is true whether we in person or livestreaming on YouTube.

Sharing Joys & Concerns

MCN IS ASKED TO BE IN CONTINUED PRAYER FOR FOR THE CARDIOVASCULAR CARE UNIT OF CARLE BROMENN MEDICAL CENTER—OUR PARTNER IN HEALING FOR 2022

Vision Team Update

The Vision Team met on Wednesday, February 16. Following the meeting, Vision Team has the following items to share with the congregation:

- Vision Team received regular reports on the current activities of the Spiritual Gifts Discernment Team (SGDT), Pastoral Team Search Committee (PTSC), the Interim Pastoral Team (IPT), and the Commissions and discussed where support is needed.
- Vision Team discussed the feedback received through individual conversations held between the Vision Team Chair and each of the commission chairs.
- Vision Team discussed potential names to fill the vacant role of SGDT Chair.
- Find Vision Team meeting minutes and resource documents in the [Vision Team folder on Google Drive](#).

Pastoral Team Search Committee Update

We are in the process of conducting the first round of interviews with two candidates. It will take two separate zoom meetings with each candidate just to get through our first round of questions. We have many questions! Also, members of the committee will be calling all the references listed by each candidate. In the meantime, we are not free to provide names.

North Danvers Mennonite Church Bake Sale

North Danvers Mennonite Church is again having a bake sale on March 18, with all proceeds going to MCC. They are requesting baked goods from our church. Any baked goods such as pies, cookies, candies, rolls, or breads will be appreciated. So, get together with your friends and have a baking day. Let Gerry Schrock or Marcia Rossi know what you are planning to make. Baked items will be picked up at the church the day before. Thank you for helping in this way!

Lent at Home 2022 Worship Guide

Mennonite Education Agency of Mennonite Church USA has released its free Lent at Home 2022 worship guide and calendar for download. The annual guide provides options for individuals and households to follow daily or weekly rituals, which include guided Scripture readings, prayers and special activities for the Lenten season. Download it [here](#).

Menno Haven Camp Update

Summer Camp Registration is Now Open!!!! Head to the new registration website to sign up your campers to join camp this summer as they dive into the topic of Joy. Where do we find Joy? IN JESUS! The world may offer us a copy-cat version that doesn't hold up against suffering and hard times. When we are in the wilderness of life, we can still find joy in Jesus! With Psalm 16:11 as our memory verse, we will look at the Israelites as they traveled the wilderness and still found joy in God even though their circumstance did not change. We will also look at what Jesus did when He was in the wilderness. AND OF COURSE we'll wander the woods, play gaga ball, take boat rides, play fun games, jump in the pool, make creative crafts, build campfires, and enjoy spending quality time with others as we worship the Lord together. We hope you can join us!! Click [here](#) to register!

Our Members in Care Facilities

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

Staff Contact and Building Open Hours

Building Open: Monday – Friday, 9:00AM-Noon and 1:00PM-4:00PM.

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Structure Documents

Updated structure documents, including ministry descriptions, vision statement with commission assignments for the goals, structure changes, and a list of individuals called to serve in the new structure, are available at this [link](#).

Please click [here](#) for past meeting and other recordings.

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