

# Mennonite Church of Normal

May 15, 2022

Fifth Sunday of Easter

## Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome and Congregational Life  
Ministry Moment  
Prelude  
Call to Worship

### Singing Praise to God

Songs of Praise *Sing Praise to God Who Reigns* VT 101  
*All Creatures, Worship God Most High* VT 81  
*(verses 1, 2, 4, 7)*

*Gathering Prayer*

### Hearing God's Word

Children's Time *Like a Rock* VT 63  
Scripture Reading Genesis 2:4b-9  
Sermon *Trees of Life to Restore God's Earth*

### Receiving God's Grace

Response Song *I Saw a Tree By the Riverside* VT 514  
Confession of Sin  
Sharing Joys and Concerns  
Pastoral Prayer  
Offering Hymn *This is God's Wonderous World* VT 180  
Stewardship Affirmation  
Prayer

### Sent in the Spirit's Power

Sending Song *You Shall Go Out in Joy (sung twice)* VT 847  
Sending Prayer  
Postlude  
Dismissal

## Assisting in Worship

Worship Leader and Planner: Joe Culpepper

Sermon: Steve Thomas

Children's Time: Louise Reeser

Scripture Reader: Gabriella Harnish

Pastoral Prayer: Holly Zehr

Tech: Ryan Miller and Caleb Augspurger

Song Leader: Cindy Ropp

Prelude, Postlude, and Accompaniment: Elsa Raab

### This Week:

Tuesday	7:00pm	Interim Pastoral Team (Zoom)
Wednesday	9:30am	Men's Book Group (Zoom)
	7:00pm	Spiritual Gifts Discernment Team
Thursday	6:30am	Next Man Bible Study (Zoom)
	2:00pm	Women's Book Group (Zoom)
	5:30pm	Loss and Grief Group
	6:30pm	Administration Commission (Zoom)
Friday	4-7pm	Wilma Dyck Visitation
Saturday	9:00am	Wilma Dyck Graveside Service
	11:00am	Wilma Dyck Memorial Service

### 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.*

### Our Welcome:

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.

**Building Open Hours:** Monday-Friday 9:00am-Noon, 1:00pm-4:00pm

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