THE MENNONITE CHURCH OF NORMAL/JUNE 29, 2022





WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY 9:30 A.M.

This Sunday, Ron Ropp will preach on the scripture Deuteronomy 29:2-6, 10-12; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21 in a sermon titled *Freedom From, Freedom To, Freedom For.*

The service will be live streamed on YouTube at this link.

The bulletins get posted under the Worship tab of our website.



"Those Serving this Week" has moved. It can now be found later in the Midweek!

This Sunday:

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



A congregation of Mennonite Church USA

After Worship:

Adult CE Salt & Light Bible Study

Children & Youth CE No preschool-1st grade CE this week



The McLean County rolling positivity rate was at 15.6% on June 23, 2022 and decreasing. Community level spread continues HIGH with increasing hospitalizations and potential for strain on the health care system. Administration Commission encourages attenders at in-person church events to continue to be masked.







THIS SUNDAY!

WHAT: Church Picnic WHO: Everyone plus friends!

WHEN: **Sunday, July 3 Following Sunday School**, stay all afternoon if you would like WHERE: **Rick and Connie's home**

LUNCH: Bring your own lunch. Drinks and dessert will be provided.

ACTIVITIES: Fishing, kayaking, swimming (lake), floating, lawn games, sitting in the shade and visiting.

PLEASE BRING: your lawn chair and your lunch, lawn games to share

We have some floaties and life jackets to share.

If you need a ride, please let us know.

Questions? Please call or text: Rick or Connie

Pastoral Jean Search Committee Update

Please click on these two links to see what the committee sends to pastoral candidates. If you were in church Sunday, you saw the video of the church interior on the big screen, but as Caleb Augspurger, a member of the PTSC reminds us, it's much brighter on a computer screen. When Andreas created these, he never intended them for Hollywood. The second link is of the residential community. How many Mennonite churches have a beautiful residential community next door? Both links will be available on the church website.

These videos have many other uses, and you can feel free to use them for your own purposes. For example, please use them to invite others to worship with us! You can contact Lydia in the Church Office for assistance.

Video of the Church & Video of the MRC

No Preschool-1st grade CE

There will be no preschool-1st grade Sunday School this Sunday, July 3rd.

Memorial Tree Planting

Next Man Bible Study is planting a tree in memory of Terry Wiebenga on Thursday, June 30th at 5pm on the Southwest church lawn. All are welcome.



Administration Commission Mid-Jear Report

New Forms

There are now two new electronic forms available to everyone! One is an electronic version of the **Work Order** request found in the Church Office which can be used to notify staff that something needs maintenance/repair/attention in the church building. The other is a **Purchase Request Form** which can be used when supplies, such as batteries, coffee, etc., need to be purchased by the Church Office. QR codes to the forms can be found in the kitchen and office. *Direct links are here and at the bottom of the Midweek*: Work Order & Purchase Request

This Week at MCN

A BRIEF LOOK AT THE CHURCH CALENDAR:



: N: Sharing of Joys and Concerns : N:

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

Prayer Requests and Announcements

Sharing of Joys and Concerns have returned to open mic sharing during the services. Please continue to send announcements to Lynette Miller 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 in person or livestreaming on YouTube.



Birthdays

Anniversaries

Those Serving This Week

South Greeters: Eric and Chellie Miller West Greeter: Ardys Serpette Welcome Table: Bernice Valverde Ushers: Cal and Vivian Hubbard Worship Planner: Steve Benner & Lynette Miller Worship Leader: Lynette Miller Sharing Prayer Leader: Lauren Satchwell Children's Story: Annette Harnish Scripture Reader: Laura Dick Song Leader: Cindy Ropp Accompaniment, Prelude, & Postlude: Elsa Raab Tech: Ryan Miller and Glenn Wilson Preschool Nursery: Emma King Gather Round: No Gather Round until September

Webinar: Special Session of the Delegate Assembly: What Now?

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July 18, 2022 at 7 p.m. ET / 4 p.m. PT on Zoom

A webinar hosted by Glen Guyton, with Linda Dibble, Jon Carlson and Michael Danner.

Intérprete al español disponible.



DELEGATE ASSEMBLY 2022

The Delegate Assembly is over and decisions have made. What has been changed? What does it mean for my conference, my congregation, and me? What opportunities are there for us to live into our Renewed Commitments to "follow Jesus, witness to God's peace and experience the transformation of the Holy Spirit"? Register here.

News from Mennonite Church USA

Survey Results

Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) conducted a denomination-wide survey to examine what it means to be a member of MC USA and how this has changed in the past 16 years. The preliminary results can be found here, with the full study being released later this month: <u>mennoniteusa.org/summary-denominational-study</u>

World Conference

Join all Mennonite Church USA congregations in praying for "Indonesia 2022," the global assembly of Mennonite World Conference being held in Indonesia July 5-10. This is a hybrid (online and in person) event. For more information, visit <u>mennoniteusa.org/mwca22</u>

Peaceful Practices Conversation Guides

The first conversation guides are here! As a follow-up resource to the Peaceful Practices curriculum, these short guides outline a framework for how your congregation or group can talk about hot button topics. They offer a brief context, questions to engage one another, prayers, and instructions for setting up a group conversation in World Café style. You can find these first guides on the Mennonite <u>Central Committe website and look for more in the coming months!</u>

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

<u>Building Open:</u>	Monday – Friday, 9AM-11AM and Monday – Wednesday & Friday 1:30PM-3PM.
<u>Lydia Hedberg:</u>	Office Administrator; <u>church@normalmennonite.org</u> or 309.452.6622
<u>Lynette Miller:</u>	Interim Pastor for Discipling and Community Life Commissions
Lauren Satchwel	<u>:</u> Interim Pastor for Vision Team, Administration & Outreach Commissions
<u>Holly Zehr</u> :	Interim Pastor for Worship & Spiritual Gift Discernment Team
<u>Ron Ropp:</u>	Pastor for Pastoral Care

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