# **Mennonite Church of Normal**

December 25, 2022 The Fifth Sunday of Advent

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

Welcome and Congregational Life Prelude

Call to Worship

	Singing Praise to God		
Songs of Praise	Joy to the World	VT 240	
	Infant Holy, Infant Lowly	VT 243	
Candle Lighting Liturgy			
	Hearing God's Word		
Children's Time	O Come, All Ye Faithful	VT 241	
Scripture	John 1:1-18		
Sermon	In the Cold Light of Day		
	<b>Receiving God's Grace</b>		
Response Song	On This Great Day of Days	VT 260	
Offertory Prayer			
Offertory Song	Hail the Bless'd Morn, vv. 1-3	VT 272	
Sharing Joys and Concerns			
Pastoral Prayer			

## Sent in the Spirit's Power

Sending Song Arise, Your Light Is Come! VT 273 Sending Prayer Postlude

## Assisting in Worship:

Worship Leader: Holly & Addy Zehr	Sermon: Steve Benner		
Song Leader: Barry Weaver	Pastoral Prayer: Ron Ropp		
Candle Lighting: King Family	Tech: Caleb & Adam Augspurger		
Children's Time: Janet Wilson/Joe Culpepper			
Scripture Reader: Marcia Rossi			
Accompaniment, Prelude, & Postlude: Dorothy Loepp			

Monday 12/26 Tuesday 12/27

This Week: Office Closed Office Closed

#### **Our Vision:**

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.

After Worship Christian Education:				
Pre-K – 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade	Room 11			
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Room 12 & 9			
Junior High	Room 8			
High School	Room 7 & 5			
Journey Group A (20's-30's)	First Office			
Journey Group B (40's-50's)	Conference Room			
Journey Group C (60's and above)	Room 4			
Building Open Hours: Closed Monday				
Tuesday–Friday 9am-11am				
And Tuesday–Wednesday & Friday 1:30pm-3pm				
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