Mennonite Church of Normal

December 4, 2022 The Second Sunday of Advent

Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome and Congregational Life

Prelude

Call to Worship

Singing Praise to God

Songs of Praise Prepare the Way! the Prophet Called VT 220

> Bless'd Be the God of Israel VT 223

Candle Lighting Liturgy **Gathering Prayer**

Hearing God's Word

Children's Time Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord VT 219

Matthew 3:1-12 Scripture Sermon Who by Fire

Receiving God's Grace

Unto Us a Child Response Song

Communion

Offertory Prayer

Offertory Song Silent Niaht

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Sent in the Spirit's Power

Now the Heavens Start to Whisper VT 237 Sending Song

Sending Prayer

Postlude

Assisting in Worship:

Worship Leader: Shannon Neely **Sermon:** Kevin Chupp **Song Leader:** Wayne Hochstetler **Communion:** Kevin Chupp Candle Lighting: Marianne Israel & Maggie Sila Offertory Song: Junior Choir

Children's Time: Janet Wilson & Joe Culpepper

Scripture Reader: Sheila Kuria Pastoral Prayer: Lynette Miller **Response Song:** Youth Choir **Tech:** Jaron Zehr & Caleb Augspurger

Accompaniment, Prelude, and Postlude: Elsa Raab

This Week:

	Sunday 12/4	11:00am	Structure Evaluation Meeting
		6:00pm	Junior Choir
		6:45pm	Youth Choir
		7:30pm	Adult Advent Choir
	Monday 12/5	7:00pm	Spiritual Gifts Discernment (Zoom)
	Wednesday 12/7	9:30am	Wednesday Morning Book Group (Zoom)
		5:00pm	Cookie Bake
	Thursday 12/8	7:00am	Next Man Bible Study
		6:30pm	Administration Commission (Zoom)
	Friday 12/9	6:00pm	Caroling
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 – 1st Grade Room 11 2nd – 5th Grade Room 12 & 9 Junior High Room 8 **High School** Room 7 & 5 First Office Journey Group A (20's-30's)

Journey Group B (40's-50's) Conference Room

Journey Group C (60's and above) Room 4

Building Open Hours: Monday-Friday 9am-11am

And Monday–Wednesday & Friday 1:30pm-3pm

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