

# Mennonite Church of Normal

October 8, 2023

## Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome and Congregational Life

Prelude

Call to Worship

## Singing Praise to God

Song of Praise *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* VT\* 98

*My Jesus, I Love Thee* VT 133

Gathering Prayer

## Hearing God's Word

Children's Time *See the Children Here before Us* VT 509

Scripture Deuteronomy 5: 1-21 & Matthew 22:34-40

Sermon *The Commandment to Love God*

## Receiving God's Grace

Response Hymn *Renew Your Church* VT 717

Stewardship Affirmation

Offertory Hymn *Grant Us, God, the Grace* VT 746

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

## Sent in the Spirit's Power

Sending Song *Go, My Friends, in Grace* VT 810

Sending Prayer

Postlude

*\*Voices Together Hymnal*

## Assisting in Worship:

**Worship Leader:** Holly Zehr

**Accompaniment, Prelude & Postlude:** Elsa Raab

**Song Leader:** Cindy Ropp

**Children's Time:** Jessica Hall

**Scripture Reader:** Erin

**Sermon:** Ron Ropp

**Pastoral Prayer:** Lauren Satchwell

**Tech:** Jaron Zehr and Rick Harnish

## This Week:

Sunday 10/8	11:00am	Blood Pressure Checks
	6:00pm	Junior Choir
	7:00pm	Youth Choir
Monday 10/9	All Day	Office Closed
Tuesday 10/10	3:00pm	Pastoral Team (Zoom)
Wednesday 10/11	9:30am	Wednesday Morning Book Group
	4:30pm	Community Life Commission (Zoom)
	7:00pm	Fellowship Committee (Zoom)
Thursday 10/12	7:00am	Next Man Bible Study
	9:00am	Brave and Beloved: Women's Bible Study
	6:30pm	Administration Commission (Zoom)

## 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 – K Grades	Room 11
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> Grades	Room 12 & 19
5 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> Grades	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:** Monday, Wednesday–Friday 9am-11am  
& Monday–Friday 1:30pm-3pm

**Closed:** Monday 10/9

**Office Administrator:** Lydia Hedberg | church@normalmennonite.org  
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**Custodian** Rita Munkakusi

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**Pastoral Team Leader, Vision Team, and Administration Commission**

**Pastor:** Lauren Satchwell | satchwell.lauren@gmail.com | 309-830-6827