

Mennonite Church of Normal

December 3, 2023

Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome and Congregational Life

Prelude

Call to Worship

Singing Praise to God

Song of Praise	<i>Bless'd Be the God of Israel</i>	VT* 223
Junior Choir	<i>Praise Him!</i>	P. Ballard
Gathering Prayer		

Hearing God's Word

Children's Time/Lighting	Advent Candle	
	<i>Prepare Ye the Way of the Lord</i>	VT 219
Scripture	Jeremiah 33:14-18	
Sermon	<i>Jeers in the Desert</i>	

Receiving God's Grace

Song of Response	<i>O Come, O Come, Immanuel</i>	VT 210
Stewardship Affirmation/Prayer		
Advent Choir	<i>The Road Home</i>	S. Paulus
Communion Service		
Sharing Joys and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer		

Sent in the Spirit's Power

Sending Song	<i>Beyond a Dying Sun</i>	VT 416
Benediction		
Postlude		

**Voices Together Hymnal*

Assisting in Worship:

Worship Leader: Marge Weaver	Scripture Reader:
Song Leader: Cindy Ropp	Sermon: Kevin Chupp
Children's Time: Gail Fisher	Tech: Jaron Zehr & Rick Harnish
Pastoral Prayer: Lauren Satchwell	
Prelude, Postlude, & Accompaniment: Dorothy Loepp	
Visuals: Vivian Hubbard, Nancy Fisher, Lynn Reha, Rita Munkakusi Ngongo, Steve Stenger, and Gerry Schrock (quilted wall hanging)	

This Week:

Sunday 12/3	6:00pm	Junior Choir
	7:00pm	Advent Choir
Monday 12/4	5:00pm	Outreach Commission
	3:00pm	Pastoral Team (Zoom)
Wednesday 12/6	9:30am	Wednesday Morning Book Group
Thursday 12/7	7:00am	Next Man Bible Study
	9:00am	Brave and Beloved: Women's Bible Study
	6:30pm	Administration Commission (Zoom)
Sunday 12/10	6:00pm	Junior Choir
	7:00pm	Advent Choir

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 nd – 4 th Grades	Room 12 & 19
5 th – 8 th Grades	Room 8
High School	Room 7 & 5
Journey Group A (20's-30's)	Conference Room
Journey Group B (40's-50's)	First Office
Journey Group C (60's and above)	Room 4

Building Open Hours: Monday, Wednesday–Friday 9am-11am & Monday–Friday 1:30pm-3pm
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