

# Mennonite Church of Normal

December 1, 2024  
The First Sunday of Advent

## Gather

Welcome and Congregational Life

Prelude

Call to Worship

Hymns *Sleepers, Wake* VT\* 226  
*O Come, Emmanuel* Adult Choir

Gathering Prayer

## Listen

Children's Time *We Dream of a Turning* VT 209  
Scripture Daniel 6:6-27  
Sermon *It Would Be Absurd*

## Respond

Offering Hymn *Seek the Peace of the City* VT 206  
Pastoral Prayer

## Eat

Youth Choir Anthem *10,000 Reasons*  
Communion

## Sent

Hymn *Hear the Turmoil of the Nations* VT 201  
Closing Prayer  
Final Response *Lead Me Forth* VT 837  
*\*Voices Together Hymnal*

## Assisting in Worship:

**Worship Planner & Leader:** Steve Benner

**Prelude:** Denise Hedberg

**Accompaniment:** Denise Hedberg & Lydia Hedberg

**Song Leader:** Wayne Hochstetler

**Children's Time:** Kevin Chupp

**Sermon:** Kevin Chupp

**Pastoral Prayer:** Lauren Satchwell

**Communion:** Holly Zehr

**Tech:** Glenn Wilson & Ryan Miller

## This Week:

Sunday 12/1	11:00am	Doll Clothes Sale
	6:00pm	Junior Choir
	6:45pm	Youth Choir
	7:00pm	Adult Choir
Tuesday 12/3	3:00pm	Pastoral Team (Zoom)
Wednesday 12/4	9:30am	Wednesday Morning Book Group
Thursday 12/5	7:00am	Next Man Bible Study
	9:30am	Women's Bible Study
	1:00pm	Women's Ministry-Comforters for Appalachia
	6:30pm	Women's Ministry-Comforters for Appalachia
Sunday 12/8	6:00pm	Junior Choir
	6:45pm	Youth Choir
	7:00pm	Adult 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  
2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grades  
5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades  
High School  
Adult Journey Groups A & B Conference Room  
Adult Journey Group C Room 14

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

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