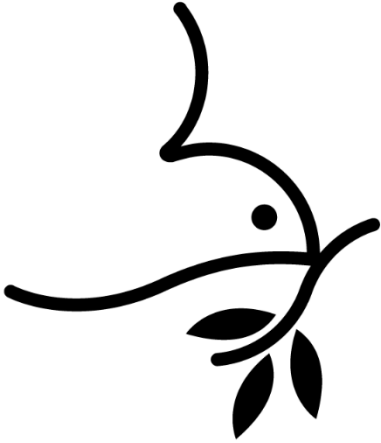




Mennonite Church of Normal

A congregation of
Mennonite Church USA

November 2, 2025

Offering Christ's peace to hearts, homes, community and world

Order of Worship

Gather

Welcome and Congregational Life

Prelude

Call to Worship

Hymn

Holy Spirit, Come with Power

VT* 57

When Peace like a River

VT 617

Opening Prayer

Listen

Children's Time

Like a Rock

VT 63

Junior & Youth Choir

I think You're Wonderful

Scripture

Colossians 2:6-15

Sermon

What Indeed Has Athens to Do with Jerusalem?

Respond

Response in Song

Take My Life, and Let It Be

VT 759

Stewardship Affirmation

Junior Choir

Peace, Salaam, Shalom

All Saints' Sunday

Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Sent

Sending Song

Sing a New World into Being

VT 809

Benediction

Dismissal Response

In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified, vs. 1

VT 754

**Voices Together Hymnal*

Assisting in Worship:

Worship Planner & Leader: Cindy Ropp

Accompaniment, Prelude, & Response in Music: Bill West

Song Leader: Cindy Ropp

Children's Time: Lauren Satchwell

Scripture Reading: Caleb Augspurger

Sermon: Kevin Chupp

Pastoral Prayer: Lauren Satchwell

Tech: Wyatt Fisher

In Memoriam:

Roberta Bortell, wife of Jim Bortell: April 26, 1947 – October 12, 2025

Doris Shoemaker, member of MCN: April 13, 1926 – September 13, 2025

Evelyn Benner, mom of Steve Benner: January 30, 1944 – July 24, 2025

Announcements from the Midweek:

- **Spending Plan Hearing:** Please take some time to review the 2026 Spending Plan before the hearing on November 16th. The intention of sending it out so early before the hearing is to give people time to ask any questions you might have before the day of the hearing. You can view the proposed 2026 Spending Plan in the Midweek. Members of the Administration Commission will be available after Worship again today to answer any questions. You are also welcome to reach out to Mary.
- **Midwest Food Bank Volunteering:** Our next volunteer night at Midwest Food Bank (MFB) is this Thursday, November 6 from 6-8 pm.
- **Hiking the Appalachian Trail:** Rick dreamed of hiking the 2,190-mile Appalachian Trail from Georgia to Maine. He began the walk in Georgia in 2015 and has now completed 3/4 of the trail. Come see some pictures and hear some stories from Rick and two friends who joined him on the trail on Sunday, November 9 at 5 pm at the MRC Community Building.
- **CPT Delegation:** Quinn is currently on a delegation to Palestine with Community Peacemaker Teams. Outreach Commission is able to support him using special funds that were set aside for that specific purpose. Quinn is planning to join us at MCN on Wednesday, November 12th at 7:00 pm to share about his trip.
- **Alternative Gifts Fair:** Every year Alternative Gifts International returns a portion of everyone's contributions to the community in which the Fair is held. Last year AGI sent \$400 to the Salvation Army Safe Harbor Shelter in Bloomington. Our Alternative Gifts Fair is November 16 and 23. If you have chosen a project for a booth, please let Mark know.
- **Open House Reception:** Darvis and Shelly are inviting everyone to a dessert reception to celebrate the marriage of Jonah and Ruby! Jonah and Ruby were married in Indiana on 9/6 of this year. The open house reception will be on Sunday, 11/16 from 2:30 to 4:30 PM at the church.
- **Multifaith Thanksgiving Service:** On November 23 at 3 at the Bloomington-Normal YMCA, join this Thanksgiving Service to celebrate unity, gratitude and community. This special event welcomes all faiths to come together in the spirit of thanksgiving, as we reflect on the many blessings we share.
- **MCC Immigration Training Sessions:** Join Mennonite Central Committee's Immigration Network this November for a two-hour virtual training designed to help your church understand immigration enforcement, know your legal rights as a faith community, and develop a plan of action in case immigration agents show up at or near your congregation. Offered in English and Spanish. Learn more in the Midweek.

This Week:

Sunday 11/2	6:00 pm	Junior Choir
	6:45 pm	Youth Choir
Tuesday 11/4	3:00 pm	Pastoral Team (Zoom)
Wednesday 11/5	9:30 am	Wednesday Morning Book Group
	1:00 pm	HSHM Quilt Project
Thursday 11/6	7:00 am	Next Man Bible Study
	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study
	6:00 pm	Midwest Food Bank Volunteering
Sunday 11/9	6:00 pm	Junior Choir
	6:45 pm	Youth 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, immigration status, 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 st Grades	Room 9/12
2 nd – 5 th Grades	Room 11
Junior High	Conference Room
High School	Room 8
Adults	Room 5/7

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

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

Community Life Commission, Outreach Commission, Spiritual Gifts

Discernment Team, & Worship Commission Pastor:

Kevin Chupp | kevin@normalmennonite.org | 574-315-2579

Pastor Kevin designated office hours: Wednesdays, 8am-12pm (or call to plan a visit)

Pastoral Team Leader and Administration Commission, Discipling Commission, and Vision Team Pastor:

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