



# Mennonite Church of Normal

A congregation of  
Mennonite Church USA

**February 15, 2026**

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

# Order of Worship

## Gather

Welcome and Congregational Life

Prelude

Call to Worship

Hymns	<i>Thy Word Is a Lamp</i>	VT* 398
	<i>Move in Our Midst</i>	VT 827

Gathering Prayer

## Listen

Children's Time	<i>Come on, Children, to the Gospel Feast</i>	VT 511
Scripture	John 9:1-41	
Sermon	<i>Spin</i>	

## Respond

Hymn of Response	<i>See Whose Glory Fills the Skies</i>	VT 274
Stewardship Affirmation	<i>Grant Us, God, the Grace</i>	VT 746
Sharing Joys and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer		

## Send

Sending Song	<i>Use Us, God</i>	VT 811
Benediction		
Final Response	<i>Use Us, God, refrain</i>	VT 811

*\*Voices Together Hymnal*

## Assisting in Worship:

**Worship Planner & Leader:** Marge Weaver

**Accompaniment & Prelude:** Bill West

**Song Leader:** Cindy Ropp

**Children's Time:** Lauren Satchwell

**Scripture Reader:** Adam Augspurger, Heath Brandon, Helen Brandon,  
Phil Brandon, Shannon Neely, Caroline Roeschley, Doug Valverde, Barry Weaver

**Sermon:** Kevin Chupp

**Pastoral Prayer:** Lauren Satchwell

**Tech:** Adam Augspurger & Rick Harnish

### **In Memoriam:**

**Mary Ann King**, member of MCN: October 11, 1939 – January 5, 2026

**Joyce Thompson**, long-time MRC resident: March 9, 1927 – October 13, 2025

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

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

### **Announcements from the Midweek:**

- **Community Peacemaker Teams Presentation:** Quinn will deliver a presentation at 7:00 pm on today, February 15th at MCN on his participation with a CPT Delegation to Palestine from October 28, 2025, until November 7, 2025. He will also lead a class this Sunday during the CE hour on the history of the Israeli occupation of Palestine.
- **J/MYF Lunch and Fellowship:** All students in grades 6-12 are welcome to join us for a J/MYF Waffle Bar luncheon and time of fellowship from 12:00-1:30 this Sunday, February 15th. We'll play enjoy games, discussion, and brainstorm fundraising idea!
- **Ash Wednesday:** On February 18, the season of Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. Join us at the church at 6:30pm to mark the beginning of this season together.
- **Lent Devotionals:** During Advent, a group gathered in the evening for a short (15-20 minutes) devotional. A similar devotional gathering is planned for Lent. You are invited to participate in Zoom-based Lenten Devotionals that will start on Feb 19. We will start out meeting at 7 pm through Zoom, but that time may be adjusted if needed. We will meet Sunday-Friday evening, but you can just come whenever you can. If you are interested, email Lynn.
- **Lloyd and Aldine Combs Scholarship:** Applications are now open for the Lloyd and Aldine Combs Scholarship which supports students pursuing higher education, with a preference for those attending Mennonite-affiliated colleges, universities, and seminaries. Applicants are judged based on an essay and letters of recommendation which are scored by a committee according to a rubric. The scholarship is awarded to one student annually. This opportunity is open to MCN students who will be attending an institution of higher education in Fall of 2026. You can access the application at the link in the Midweek. Deadline: March 15.
- **IL Mennonite Relief Sale:** Save the Date! The 68th Illinois Mennonite Relief Sale will kick off with Trivia Night and booths Friday, March 20 and on Saturday, March 21, begin your day with the pancake and sausage breakfast, stay for the auction, shopping, and so much more! More to come soon about MCN's involvement, but we will plan to make Strawberry Pies again this year at the church. Two things to think about now: Do you have auction items to donate? Do you want to purchase premade pie crusts?
- **Cultivating Generous Congregations:** Four of us are attending "Cultivating Generous Congregations" sponsored by Everence that meets on Tuesday evenings for 6 weeks. We are Lauren, Lotus, Adam, and Mary. The "Cultivating Generous Congregations" program was developed by the Lake Institute on Faith and Giving, part of the Lilly Family School of Philanthropy at Indiana University. Read the rest of the note from Administration Commission at the link in the Midweek.

### **This Week:**

Sunday 2/15	11:00 am	Quinn CPT CE Class
	12:00 pm	JMYF & MYF Lunch & Fellowship
	7:00 pm	Quinn CPT Presentation
Monday 2/16	10:00 am	Community Life Commission (Zoom)
Wednesday 2/18	9:30 am	Wednesday Morning Book Group
	1:00 pm	Quilting
	6:30 pm	Ash Wednesday Service
Thursday 2/19	7:00 am	Next Man Bible Study
	9:30 am	Women's Bible Study

### **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 <sup>st</sup> Grades	Room 9/12
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> 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  
309-452-6622

**Custodian:** Rita Munkakusi

**Community Life Commission, Outreach Commission, Spiritual Gifts**

**Discernment Team, & Worship Commission Pastor:**

Kevin Chupp | kevin@normalmennonite.org

*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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