



# Mennonite Church of Normal

A congregation of  
Mennonite Church USA

**May 24, 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>Summoned by the God Who Made Us, vs. 1-4</i>	VT* 1
	<i>Holy Spirit, Come with Power</i>	VT 57

Gathering Prayer

## Listen

Children's Time	<i>Like a Rock</i>	VT 63
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Invitation to the Word	<i>Spirit of the Living God</i>	VT 740
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Scripture	Acts 2:1-21 & Philippians 4:4-7	
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Sermon	<i>Peace &amp; Clamor</i>	
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## Respond

Confession and Assurance

Response Song	<i>As the Wind Song through the Trees</i>	VT 373
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Honoring God with Our Gifts

Offertory Song	<i>Je louerai l'Éternel</i>	VT 131
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Sharing Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

## Send

Sending Song	<i>New Earth, Heavens New</i>	VT 377
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Lord's Prayer

Sending Prayer

Dismissal Song	<i>Spirit of the Living God</i>	VT 740
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*\*Voices Together Hymnal*

## Assisting in Worship:

**Worship Leader & Planner:** Joe Culpepper

**Prelude & Accompaniment:** Elsa Raab

**Song Leader:** Cindy Ropp

**Children's Time:** Shelly King

**Scripture Reader:** Gerson Cobarrubia

**Sermon:** Kevin Chupp

**Pastoral Prayer:** Lauren Satchwell

**Tech:** Glenn Wilson & Ryan Miller

## In Memoriam:

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

**Esther Brown**, member of MCN: October 22, 1939 – May 9, 2026

## Announcements from the Midweek:

- **Congratulations Graduates:** Come and celebrate our graduating high school seniors with some punch and treats between church and Christian Education today!
- **Christian Education Summer Sabbatical:** From May 31-August 30, traditional Christian education during the Sunday school hour will be on sabbatical. This will allow time for our regular Sunday school teachers to rest and also provide time for the congregation to invite new Sunday school teachers for the fall for all levels. In lieu of regular Sunday school classes, there will be occasional scheduled Connection Sundays sponsored by Discipleship and other commissions. If you would like to schedule an event to be held this summer during our normal CE hour, please let Holly know. Watch the midweek for Connection Sundays coming soon!
- **Intergenerational Stories:** As part of our 50th Anniversary celebration, we would like to gather intergenerational oral history interviews and record them. We hope to record conversations across various ages about what practicing your faith at MCN has meant to you whether you were someone who helped build the church, someone who has newly joined us, whether you are 94 or four. We will be setting up a station with an iPad to record these during fellowship and the traditional Sunday School time through June and July. Learn more in the Midweek.
- **Give soap full of hope:** Mennonite Central Committee provides soap to hospitals, orphanages and refugee camps in countries where soap is expensive or difficult to source. There is a need for soap beyond what is supplied in kits. MCC Great Lakes invites you to take part in a special collection of bath soap and laundry soap throughout April and May. Soap collected at MCN will be delivered to the MCC Drop Off Site at Metamora Mennonite Church. Thank you for limiting your generosity to the items listed. Learn more at the link in the Midweek.

## This Week:

Sunday 5/24	11:00 am	High School Graduation Celebration
Monday 5/25	All Day	Church Office & Building Closed
Tuesday 5/26	3:00 pm	Pastoral Team (Zoom)
Wednesday 5/27	1:00 pm	Quilting
Thursday 5/28	7:00 am	Next Man 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 – 5 <sup>th</sup> Grades	Room 9/12
Junior High	Conference Room
High School	Room 8
Adults	Rooms 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:**

Lauren Satchwell | lauren@normalmennonite.org