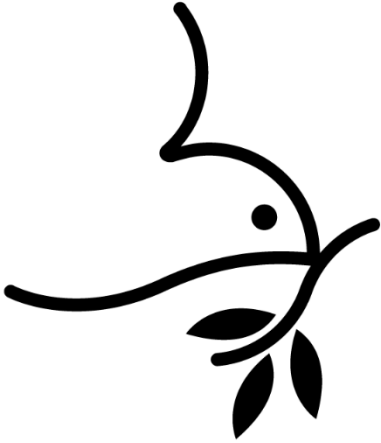




Mennonite Church of Normal

A congregation of
Mennonite Church USA

July 19, 2026

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

Order of Worship

Gathering in God's Presence

Welcome and Congregational Life

Prelude

Call to Worship

Singing Praise to God

Hymns	<i>God Welcomes All / Amen</i>	VT* 32
	<i>For the Beauty of the Earth</i>	VT 120

Gathering Prayer

Hearing God's Word

Children's Time	<i>Come On, Children, to the Gospel Feast</i>	VT 511
Scripture	Acts 4:32-37	
Sermon	<i>Koinonia</i>	

Responding to God's Word

Song of Response	<i>Come What May / Pase lo que pase, ¡ven!</i>	VT 768
Sharing Joys and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer		
Stewardship Affirmation		

Sending in the Spirit's Power

Sending Song	<i>Blest Be the Tie That Binds</i>	VT 831
Benediction		
Final Response	<i>We Are One in the Spirit, vs. 1-2</i>	VT 387
	<i>*Voices Together Hymnal</i>	

Assisting in Worship:

Worship Leader: Beth Ripley

Worship Planner: Lauren Satchwell

Accompaniment & Prelude: Bill West

Song Leader: Wayne Hochstetler

Children's Time: Cindy Ropp

Scripture Reader: Wyatt Fisher

Sermon: Lauren Satchwell

Pastoral Prayer: Lauren Satchwell

Tech: Wyatt Fisher & Rick Harnish

In Memoriam:

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

Ardys Serpette, member of MCN: July 5, 1939 – July 7, 2026

Announcements from the Midweek:

- **Leaning Into Summer A Poetry and Pizza Fest:** Please join us for another enjoyable chance to hear poetry and enjoy fellowship and pizza together today, July 19 at 11 am with Judith Valente, Albert DeGenova, Steve Vogel, and Mary Beth Godfrey.
- **Midwest Food Bank Volunteering:** Our next volunteer night at Midwest Food Bank (MFB) is Monday, July 27 from 6-8pm. MFB wants us to sign up at least two weeks ahead of time to facilitate their project planning. Please sign up as early as possible with the link in the Midweek.
- **A Quest for Purpose:** Our July 26th Worship and Adult Christian Education will feature Ruth Keidel Clemens. She will also be at Flannagan Library on Saturday, July 25, giving a talk about her new book, *A Quest for Purpose*. Learn more in the Midweek.
- **Menno Haven Sunday:** Sunday, August 16 at 10:00 am join us for worship at Menno Haven Camp and Retreat Center in Tiskilwa, IL followed by lunch and afternoon activities. Learn more in the Midweek.
- **Vision Team Nominations:** Ben's term as Vision Team chair will end on December 31, 2026. He will step down from the Vision Team at that time. Helen Brandon will also leave Vision Team on December 31, 2026. The congregation will need to select two people to join Amy and Joe and Pastoral Team representative Lauren Satchwell on the Vision. Please send your nominations for two members of the Vision Team to Barry. Learn more in the Midweek.

This Week:

Sunday 7/19	11:00 am Leaning Into Summer: A Poetry and Pizza Fest
	5:00 pm Prayer Service for Mark & Jane Roeschley (Zoom)
Wednesday 7/22	1:00 pm Quilting
	7:00 pm Vision Team (Zoom)
Thursday 7/23	7:00 am Next Man Bible Study
	9:30 am Women's Bible Study
Sunday 7/26	9:30 am Special Guest Ruth Keidel Clemens

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.

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

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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