

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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May 28, 2017
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Gathering...

Welcome and Announcements

Here in this place HWB #6

We worship God the Rock STJ #28

Call to Worship

Prayer

Confessing...

Prayer of Confession

Jesus, we're afraid to take a truthful look at ourselves.

Yet you see us as we really are.

Open our eyes, Lord.

Even when we won't listen to you, you hear us when we call your name.

Open our ears, Lord.

We keep the light of your Word hidden to ourselves,
though you gave it to share with the world.

Open our mouths, Lord.

May we know and follow the One who calls us to see, hear, and speak.

Open our hearts, Lord.

Listening...

We will walk with God STJ #78 (while children leave)

There's a wideness in God's mercy HWB #145

Meditation: "The Next 500 Years"

Ezekiel 36:25-27, Matthew 7: 24-29; 2 Corinthians 5:14-21

Responding...

Renew your church HWB #363

(Children return to Sanctuary)

Offering

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Spirit of the living God HWB #349

Sending...

Guide my feet HWB #546

Benediction

Meditation – Dan Graber

Song Leaders – Jim & Eileen Ewert

Sound – Ivan Bartel

Worship Leader – Floyd Bartel

Pianist – Josie Braun

Ushers – Amy Wildeman, Willis Jantz

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance – 84 Offering – \$1751.47

NEXT SUNDAY

Our Summer worship time (10:30 a.m.) begins with an Outdoor service at Wes & Loraine Epps. Cold potluck (sandwiches, salads). Drinks and dessert provided. Bring your own dishes and a lawn chair. This will be a joint service with Prairie Light Christian Fellowship (Philippino). Worship Leader – Lisa Martens Bartel. Clay Wiens and others will be sharing. There will be an opportunity to support Clay's camp work. Please make cheques payable to North Star and mark your envelope "camp work".

TODAY: 2:30 p.m. – RJC Spring Concert in the RJC Gymnasium.

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Thursday, June 1

2:30 p.m. – North Star service at Lanigan Lodge. Everyone welcome.

Friday, June 2

7:30-9:00 p.m. – Come-and-go Bridal Shower for Jeannesta Wildeman in the church basement. Stop in for dessert and share best wishes with the bride.

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Monday, August 14-Thursday, August 17

6:30-8:45 p.m. – Kingdom of the Son VBS. There will be music, drama, crafts, games, snack and awesome bible stories based on the Lord's Prayer. We could also use some help in planning and setting up the decorating. If you would like to volunteer to help out any or all evenings that would be great. Please pray for VBS 2017. Pray that we will get enough volunteers, pray for the kids that will be coming, and pray for me as I am in full swing planning and preparing for another awesome week.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- Please sign up to do a children's story this summer. Sign-up sheet is on the education wing bulletin board. Thanks.
- Please remember to pick up and read the articles about church life. They tie in to the sermon series for the next two months as well as help us think and pray about the future of North Star. Thanks.
- The Lanigan & District Youth Centre (The HUB) needs financial support. If you would like to donate to this organization please mark "The Hub" on your envelope. For more information see the letter on the Educ. Wing bulletin board.
- This is your invitation to participate in the Annual MCC Relief Sale June 9-10 by donating baking. Buns, breads, cookies, cakes, pies are always desired items, but traditional goods (like zweiback, portzelky, peppernuts, platz, etc.) are a real hit. Baking can be brought to the bake table Friday by 4:00 p.m. or Saturday morning. Thanks. Questions: call Bev or Ted Janzen at 232-5619.
- Job Opportunity: Are you outgoing, energetic and a good communicator? Do you relate well to both youth and adults? RJC anticipates an opening for the 2017-18 school year in Admissions and Constituent Relations. Position to begin **September 18, 2017**. For more information, please contact RJC: office@rjc.sk.ca or (306) 232-4222.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Friday, June 2

7:30 p.m. – At MCC SK (Saskatoon) Lucy Romanenkova, director of the Florence Centre in Zaporizhzhya, Ukraine, and partner of MCC will be providing a dynamic view of the work of their Centre and will be open to questions regarding how the lives of the area are being affected by the tensions in Eastern Ukraine. The services they provide are for Children with disabilities, workshops with teens in schools, seminars for senior women who are looking for meaning in life after their retirement, and seminars for persons in government agencies who are looking for more positive ways to provide services to seniors, and other vulnerable persons. Following the presentation, there will be time for informal visiting with her and opportunity to donate to the Florence Centre programs. For more information call Florence Driedger 306-539-1334.

Saturday, June 3

10:00 a.m. – Shekinah Retreat Centre Scavenger Hunt! Come out for a day with family and friends to go searching for clues along the many trails. The activity starts at 10:00am, accompanied with lunch by donation. Registration is \$10 per adult, and \$5 for children ages 5-10. You can find more information at shekinahretreatcentre.org . We hope to see you there!

Friday, June 9 & Saturday, June 10

MCC Relief Sale & Auction, Saskatoon. Pies are needed for the Pie Booth. Pies can be dropped off at Prairieland Park on the afternoon of June 9.

Friday, June 23 & Saturday, June 24

RJC Spring Musical presents “Sister Act”. Tickets \$20 for adults, \$10 for 16 & under go on sale May 23 and must be reserved and paid in advance by calling the RJC office at 306-232-4222 or emailing office@rjc.sk.ca (Visa and MasterCard accepted).

Saturday, August 12

Save the date – Spruce River Folkfest at Spruce River, near Prince Albert. Mark your calendars!!

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

Prayer Request: Five young adults from the Mennonite congregation and youth hostel in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso are engaging with disadvantaged children in the distant town of Sapouy. Pray for a clear understanding of what God is calling them to do in Sapouy. Pray also for Nancy Frey and Bruce Yoder, MC Canada partners through Mennonite Mission Network, as they support and encourage these young adults.

MC Sask Connects: Season of Prayer “*Pray without ceasing*” 1 Thess. 5:17 MC Sask will be living into this call over the next few months, and we ask you to pray with us. Pray for each other, pray for other MC Sask congregations and programs, and pray that together we might be able to discern God’s call. Let us pray.

Jr. High Retreat – Life’s an Adventure. This morning at Shekinah Retreat Centre the MC Sask Jr. High Retreat is in its final session of the weekend. We ask you to pray for us; giving thanks for what has taken place, and asking that God will continue to be present in the closing worship and as participants go home.

MC Canada Connects: Emerging Voices Initiative (EVI) invites your enthusiastic support to help youth delegates attend the Special Mennonite Church Assembly Oct. 13-15. Show your support with a donation via

<https://donate.mennonitechurch.ca/project/EVI-Youth2017>