

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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May 7, 2017

Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Gathering...

Welcome and Announcements

Praise with joy the world's Creator STJ #16

As rain from the clouds STJ #40

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 eyes, Lord.

Listening...

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

Scripture: Luke 24:13-35

Jesus, stand among us HWB #25

Meditation: "The Evangelistic Emmaus Walk"

Responding...

Abide with me HWB #653

(Children return to Sanctuary)

Offering

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Spirit of the living God HWB #349

Sending...

God loves all his many people HWB #397

Benediction

Meditation – Dan Graber

Song Leader – John Bartel

Sound – Ivan Bartel

Worship Leader – Irene Bartel

Pianist – Chris Bergen

Ushers – Amy Wildeman, Willis Jantz

There will be a pot luck lunch following the morning service today and then a congregational meeting that goes no more than 2 hours. This is a follow-up to the Feb. 5 meeting we had - "a congregational conversation", reviewing our written responses to the Feb. 5 meeting; moving toward some goal setting, updates on the Four Square Gospel Church Plant, and other agenda that develops.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance – 65 Offering – \$1245.00

NEXT SUNDAY

Meditation – Donna Friesen

Worship Leader – Irene Bartel

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Monday, May 8

6:30 p.m. – Village Cemetery Spring cleanup. (Alternate day May 15). Please bring family members, rakes, brooms, lawn mowers, gas trimmers, wheel barrows & spades.

Wednesday, May 10

7:00 p.m. – Amy Ewert will be hosting her Spring piano recital at North Star. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the music and a coffee and tea time afterwards.

Thursday, May 11

7:00 p.m. – The Community Gift & Thrift invites you to a Fashion Show fundraiser at LifePoint Church, Lanigan featuring a thrift fashion show, desserts, silent auction, and a beautiful recycled giftware sales table. All proceeds go towards the building fund. Tickets available in store or from Thrift Board representative. **North Star needs to supply 5 nine inch cheesecakes.** Sign-up sheet in Ed. wing or call Chris Bergen.

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Sunday, June 4

Outdoor service at Wes & Loraine Epps.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- New address for Lena Kornelsen is Diamond House, 700 Ballesteros Crescent, Warman SK S0K 4S4. Phone (306) 382—5036
- Our congratulations to Calvin & Leah Bartel on the birth of their daughter, Briar May, on Wednesday, April 26. Proud grandparents are Floyd & Carolyn Bartel and great-grandparents are Myrvyn & Marjorie Kline.
- Mennonite Disaster Service is beginning its response in Fort McMurray and at the Hague satellite site. The Saskatchewan Unit is inviting local daily volunteers, those who want the opportunity to serve with MDS but due to other commitments cannot serve for a full week, to sign up for the Hague satellite service opportunity by calling the project office at 431-777-4820 to register.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Friday, May 19

7:00 p.m. – Watoto Children's Choir concert at Lanigan Town Hall. See posters.

Saturday, May 27

RJC Annual Golf Classic at the Rosthern Valley Regional Golf Course. Please register by email, mail or phone by May 15. Registration forms can be found online at rosthernjuniorcollege.ca, by phoning 306-232-4222, or by emailing rijcgolf@rjc.sk.ca

Sunday, May 28

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

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.

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).

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

Prayer Request: Pray that the translation and publishing ministry of Bock Ki Kim and Sook Kyoung Park, MC Canada Witness workers in Seoul, will encourage the faith, resilience and relationships of Mennonites and Anabaptists in South Korea.

MC Canada Connects: This Sunday, the Pilgrimage for Indigenous Rights starts the day at Through the Roof Ministry Centre, Flinton, ON. To follow their progress, check out Facebook at www.facebook.com/pfirCanada/. Less than one week to go until the pilgrimage reaches Ottawa! Thank you for your prayers and support.

The third special edition in the *Intotemak* trilogy is now available to pre-order from CommonWord. Copies of *Quest for Respect: The Church and Indigenous Spirituality* and the earlier two volumes, *Wrongs to Rights* and *Yours, Mine, Ours* can be purchased at www.commonword.ca. Great for a personal read or group study to better understand Indigenous-Settler relations.

Citizens for Public Justice is an organization inspired by faith to act for public justice. CPJ is inviting churches to contribute to the government of Canada’s consultations on its Poverty Reduction Strategy via an easy-to-use online form via cpj.ca/cprs.

Is harming creation compatible with Christian faith? Is a fossil fuel economy sustainable in a time of climate change? These questions will be tackled during a May 15-17 event, “Called to Peacemaking with All Creation,” hosted at Holyrood MC in Edmonton. Visit <http://www.mennonitechurch.ab.ca/> for details.

MCC Connects: MCCS is currently accepting applications for the Program Director role. To view the full job description and apply for this position, visit our website at mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/openings or call Erica Baerwald, Human Resources Coordinator at the MCCS office (306) 665-2555.

CMU Connects: Consider enrolling in a one-week, spring course through CMU’s Graduate School of Theology and Ministry or Canadian School of Peacebuilding. Details at cmu.ca/gradcourses or cmu.ca/csop.