

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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Pastor's office hours: Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon

September 10, 2017

Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Gathering...

Welcome and Announcements

Jesus calls us here to meet him STJ #3

Spirit, working in creation STJ #10

Call to Worship

Prayer

Confessing...

Refresh, Refocus, Renew Litany

Listening...

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

Scripture: 1 John 1:1-4

For God so loved us HWB #167

Meditation: "The Word of Life"

Responding...

My faith has found a resting place STJ #43

(Children return to Sanctuary)

Offering

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Spirit of the living God HWB #349

Sending...

Bless'd be the tie that binds HWB #421 (v.1&2)

Benediction

Meditation – Dan Graber

Song Leaders – Jim & Eileen Ewert

Sound – Peter Nicholson

Worship Leader – Peter Nicholson

Accompanists – Wes, Phil & Steven

Ushers – Amy Wildeman, Willis Jantz

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance – 70 Offering – \$3261.50

NEXT SUNDAY

Meditation – Dan Graber

Worship Leader – Floyd Bartel

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Thursday, September 14

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

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Tuesday, October 17

7:00 p.m. – Theatre of the Beat will present "Yellowbellies". More information to follow.

Saturday, October 28-Sunday, October 29

Sheila Klassen-Wiebe will present CMU Portable "Practical Faith: Discipleship and the letter of James".

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- Anyone wishing to subscribe to the devotional Rejoice please contact Esther Laskowski by **Sept. 17**. Cost: \$37.50 payable to North Star Menn. Church and put into Esther's mailbox (not the offering plate).

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Wednesday, September 13

6:30-8:00 p.m. – Sonrisa Women's Choir invites new and returning singers to join us for another inspiring season. Rehearsals from 6:30-8:00 on Wed. evenings at Nutana Park Menn. beginning Sept 13th. To indicate your interest and for more information contact Lynne at gord.lynn@sasktel.net.

Friday, September 15 & Saturday, September 16

Refresh, Refocus, Renew Mini Retreat is almost here! Join us at Wildwood Mennonite Church, Saskatoon as Betty Pries leads us through the next step in the RRR process. Register by **Tuesday, Sept. 12** at <http://mcsask.ca/mc-sask-events/> or call the office at 306-249-4844. Please see the poster for more details. If you are unable to attend, we would still to hear your feedback.

Please email Ryan at minister@mcsask.ca.

Sunday, September 17

2:30 p.m. – RJC Opening Program in the RJC gymnasium. We would be delighted to have you join us as we gather to give thanks and ask God's blessings for the new school year.

Friday, September 22-Sunday, September 24

Come join us for a weekend of crafting at Shekinah's (not just a) Quilting & Scrapbooking Retreat. All the information and registration is online at shekinahretreatcentre.org or you can call 306-945-4929.

Saturday, September 30

7:00 p.m. – Mega Menno Youth Kick-Off, Nutana Park Menn. Church. Open to youth in grades 6-12, we will start the year with a fun night of bundling up with sleeping bags and hot chocolate, and watching a movie outside. Cost is \$2/person, friends welcome!

Friday, October 13-Sunday, October 15

MC Canada Special Assembly in Wpg. **If you are interested in being a delegate, please contact the office. Register by September 15.**

Saturday, October 28

MC Sask Equipping Day at Zoar Mennonite, Waldheim. Equipping Ourselves to Refresh, Refocus, Renew is the theme. Everyone is invited to come and participate in workshops on a variety of themes. Here is an example: "The Juggling Act of Life We are busy, and the 'To Do' list is often long. Add to that a desire to spend time in prayer or with Scripture, and there really don't seem to be enough hours in the day. This workshop will explore the need to name reality and let go of guilt, and offer thoughts on how to find balance as we juggle the many pieces of life." Watch for registration coming soon!

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

Prayer Request: We give thanks for the many students and young adults who served and grew in their leadership development through camps this summer across the five area churches of MC Canada. We are also grateful for learning and growth of students returning to school from internships and summer jobs. Remember to encourage and support them as they dive back into full time study schedules, assignments, and deadlines.

MC SK Connects: MC Sask will be holding Pre-MC Canada Assembly Information Meetings throughout the province: Tues., Sept. 19, 7:30pm at Zion Menn., Swift Current; Wed., Sept. 27, 7:30pm at Eigenheim Menn.; and Thurs., Sept. 28, 7:30pm at the MCC Centre in Saskatoon. These meetings are for delegates and others seeking clarification and information regarding the Special Assembly in Winnipeg, and in particular, the Discernment Guide, which can be downloaded online.

Walk the Talk Teach-In at St. Thomas More College Auditorium, Fri., Oct. 6 at 7pm, to learn more about The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) Bill C-262. This town hall meeting will provide opportunity to learn about the importance of UNDRIP in the journey towards reconciliation and to participate in a post card campaign to encourage Members of Parliament to adopt this bill. To learn more go to www.pfir.ca. This event is sponsored by St. Thomas More College, MC Canada, & MC Sask.

MC Canada Connects:

Join Citizens for Public Justice in Chew on This!, our annual fall anti-poverty campaign. Each year, on Oct.17, the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, volunteers across Canada hand out Chew on This! lunch bags containing a food item, a magnet, and a postcard directed to the federal government. This year, we are focused on making sure the federal government hears the voices of people calling for a comprehensive national anti-poverty strategy. To organize a Chew on This! event or for more information, go to dignityforall.ca/chew-on-this or contact Darlene O'Leary at darlene@cpj.ca.

MCC Connects: Save the date – The MCCS Encounter & AGM will be held at Cornerstone Church, Saskatoon on Sat., November 4. Watch for details!