

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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March 4, 2018

Lent 3 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Gathering...

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Leader: Come rule makers, rule breakers, and you who are still finding your way. Come. Whether you speak with wise words or with wisecracks, you are made in the image of God. Come into God's house. Hear God's Word. Prepare to meet your Maker and your match. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is greater than human strength.

People: Some of us like certainty and structure. Some of us don't. We come by different roads, yet we are here together. We want to know God, and to be known by God. We are here to worship the Lord.

Leader: Jesus said, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there." We are here and Christ Jesus is here. We join our hearts in worship.

Worship Song

Responsive reading: Psalm 19

Worship Song

Opening Prayer

Confession (Purple sheet)

Words of Assurance

Listening...

For me for you (Green sheet)

Children's story

For me for you

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25; John 2:13-22

Hymn

Scripture: Exodus 20:1-17

Meditation: "The Lord's Law helps us be covenant people"

Responding...

Hymn of Response

Offering

Sharing and Congregational Prayer

Sending...

Closing words

Between me and you

Benediction

Meditation – Dan Graber

Song Leader – Gayle Warkentin

Sound – Ivan Bartel

Worship Leader – Irene Bartel

Pianist – Joanne Bergen

Ushers – Ken Friesen, Bill Ewert

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance – Offering – \$3150.00 (\$1850.00 budget)

Feb. 24 Concert (Refugee Fund) - \$1500.00

NEXT SUNDAY (Lent 4)

Meditation – Dan Graber

Worship Leader – Joanne K. Bergen

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Wednesday, March 7

2:00 p.m. – Cheerful Mission meets at the Villa – Lesson #4.

Sunday, March 11

3:00 p.m. – Bridal Shower for Erica Bartel at Silver Sages.

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Monday, August 13-Thursday, August 16

VBS at North Star.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- We are looking for options for the cemetery grass cutting for this summer. If anyone knows of someone interested in taking on the job or you have ideas of how to tackle this, please contact Joel, Vic or Quinton as soon as possible – The Trustees.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Thursday, March 8

7:00 p.m. – Saskia & Darrel – The Great Plains at Knox United, Lanigan. Celtic, folk, bluegrass, country, gospel music. Tickets \$15. See posters.

Friday, March 9-Saturday, March 10

1:00 p.m. – 2018 MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions at Zion Mennonite, Swift Current, co-hosted by Emmaus Menn. and Zion Menn. Report books are available on the MC Sk website. Register online at www.mcsask.ca or on paper forms available from your church office. Our delegates are Jim Ewert, Leona Ewert, Dan Graber and Ben Martens Bartel. Please let them know if you have any questions or concerns. Anyone wishing to put forward a resolution needs to submit it to the MC Sask office in person or email at mcsask@mcsask.ca by **Monday, March 5.**

Sunday, March 11

10:50 a.m. – Zion Menn. Church, together with Mennonite Church Saskatchewan, is excited to announce the Ordination Service for Lois Bukar.

Wednesday, March 14

6:00 p.m. – Dallas Valley Ranch Camp Banquet at Strasbourg Alliance Church. Go to the website (dallasvalley.com/gala), call the office at (306) 731-3348, or talk to Riley Wiens (639) 999-0307 to reserve your tickets.

Thursday, March 15

5:00-7:00 p.m. – Warman Mennonite Church invites everyone to a Kielke supper fundraiser. Admission is by donation, and proceeds go to the Warman Mennonite Church kitchen repair fund. See posters.

Saturday, March 17

11:00 a.m. – You are invited to a Ladies Brunch at LifePoint Church with guest speaker Rhonda Rowe sharing her love and passion for Africa. Free will offering will be taken. See posters.

Tuesday, March 20

5:00-7:00 p.m. – Youth Farm Bible Camp Vereniki Supper at Rosthern Menn. Church. Admission by donation.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

Prayer Request: Tom & Christine Poovong (Witness workers – Thailand) shared recently that they have been working with the Blu tribal people in northern Thailand. These mountain people are subsistence farmers mostly and are treated lower than “second-class citizens” in Laos and Thailand. Tom said that in his recent visit to a village of the Blu people, he saw a need for water – more wells to be dug; more adequate sanitation given that there are many sanitation-related diseases and for prayer, these mountain people are persecuted and treated as outsiders, even as criminals. Tom and Christine have a heart for sharing Christ with the Blu people and already envisioning how they can mobilize other Christians and organizations to provide some of the basic human needs of these people. Please pray along with the Poovongs for the Blu mountain people and for this new opportunity to demonstrate the love of God.

MC Sask Connects: Please pray for our sister regional church, Mennonite Church Manitoba, who are meeting together this weekend as they focus on "Mission: Living into our Call."

Please pray for our Regional Church - Mennonite Church Saskatchewan, who will be meeting together March 9 & 10 at Zion Mennonite in Swift Current for our annual meeting as they "Refresh, Refocus, Renew – God is Doing a New Thing – Explore, Experience, Engage."

MCC Connects: For a number of months, MCC Saskatchewan has been working with Wavelength Entertainment on an exciting new documentary series entitled Bridging Borders. The series features newcomer families and sponsorship groups who are part of MCC's unique private refugee sponsorship program. The six-part series will air on City TV Saskatchewan on Monday evenings at 10 p.m. For more info. please visit the series Facebook page @BridgingBordersSeries or stream the episodes at citytv.com/Saskatchewan