

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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December 30, 2018
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Gathering...

Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship

Leader: The Word has become flesh; God now walks among us!

People: Through Jesus, God is fully made known.

Leader: All creation is renewed, experiencing the grace and truth of God, through the birth and life of Jesus.

People: And all who believe are the children of God; brought together to experience the unity of the whole human race.

All: Praise be to God for the abundant love and shalom we now experience!

Prayer
Singing

Listening...

Scripture: Psalm 148; Colossians 3:12-17

Singing
Children's Time
Singing
Sharing
Singing
Sharing
Singing

Responding...

Offering
Sharing and Congregational Prayer
Come, bring your burdens to God

Each week we will pray for 3 members of our congregation. This week **we pray for** Annah Warkentin, Belle Mullet, Barb Gibney.

Sending...

Sending Song
Benediction

Worship Leader – Peter Nicholson
Song Leader – Tami-Lynn Lehr Pianist – Donna Friesen
Sound – Ivan Bartel Ushers – Edith Fransen, Emery Laskowski

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance – 75 Offering – \$3015.00(\$1280.00Budget)

CHRISTMAS EVE

Attendance – 77 Offering \$2606.00

NEXT SUNDAY (Epiphany Sunday)

Worship Leader – Irene Bartel

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Tuesday, January 8

7:30 p.m. – Council of Boards meeting.

Monday, January 21

7:30 p.m. – North Star Annual Meeting. Please have reports for the upcoming Annual Meeting handed in or emailed to the office by **January 6, Sunday, January 27**

Inspiration Sunday at North Star with the MC Sask Spiritual Resource Team. There will be coffee and muffins from 9:15-9:45 followed by a session during the Sunday School hour and another session during the worship hour. There will be a potluck lunch following worship.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- Pastor Dan will be on holidays with his children from December 23 in the afternoon till the afternoon of January 6. He can still be reached via email.
- If you have suggestions for sermon themes for the coming year please speak to Pastor Dan.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Saturday, January 12

2:00 p.m. – Mega Menno Mall Hunt at Midtown Plaza. Meet at the main entrance on 1 Ave South (by Starbucks) and be prepared to look closely at those around you! Youth will receive a list of sponsors hiding in the mall, in costume, and will have to find them all before time runs out! No cost, open to youth in gr. 6-12, contact Kirsten if you have any questions; youthminister@mcsask.ca 306-249-4844.

Saturday, January 26

7:00 p.m. – Sing, Sip & Socialize. Come join us for an evening of hymn singing (led by Sparky & the Plugs), coffee, and fellowship with the MC Canada Joint Council at the MCC Centre, Saskatoon. The Joint Council will also be available to give updates and answer questions about MC Canada.

Friday, February 1-Sunday, February 3

Senior High Retreat at Shekinah.

Friday, March 8 & Saturday, March 9, 2019

MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions at Zoar Menn., Waldheim, co-hosted by Eigenheim Mennonite and Zoar Mennonite.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

Prayer Requests: Werner & Joanne DeJong invite prayer for the South Sudanese Mennonites with whom they fellowshipped and worshipped in Gambella, Ethiopia: "Please pray they hunger to grow and are strategically placed on the Ethiopia/South Sudan border."

Maria Rosa Triana Lopez, Coordinator of the Mennonite Biblical Seminary of Colombia ("Seminario Biblico Menonita de Colombia") recently shared some of the difficulties and challenges facing the seminary: the economic situation of the country affects the possibility of students attending the SBMC and the ongoing challenge to promote programs and activities of the SBMC. Pray that the different ecclesial communities to become involved with the seminary and for wisdom and perseverance in the face of these difficulties.

MC Sask Connects: Joy to the world, the Lord is come! As you consider the many gifts given and received this Christmas, the joy and wonder of a Saviour born a child and yet a King, please consider making a year-end financial gift to MC Sask. Donations to specific programs and general budget are appreciated, and will go a long way towards our work in service of the MC Sask church family, and the Kingdom begun in a stable many years ago. Thank you, and Happy New Year from MC Sask!

MCC Connects: As 2018 comes to a close, we encourage you to contribute to a project close to your heart. MCC works in a variety of capacities including work in the following areas; food, water, peace, education, health, welcome and relief. Donate before December 31st to receive your 2018 tax receipt. We need your help to meet these commitments. Please donate by visiting mcccanada.ca or calling 306.665.2555 today.