

## **NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH**

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

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Outdoor Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

### **Gathering in the Spirit...**

Welcome

*All things bright and beautiful* HWB #156 v.1,2,4

*Morning has broken* HWB #648

Invitation to Worship

Opening Prayer

Prayer of Confession (#893 Voices Together)

For failing to love others as you have loved us...

**God of grace, forgive us.**

For wasting your gifts and hoarding our goods...

**God of grace, forgive us.**

For plundering the earth and abusing the planet...

**God of grace, forgive us.**

For fearing those who are strange to us and ignoring those in need...

**God of grace, forgive us.**

For losing heart and abandoning hope...

**God of grace, forgive us.**

For all the ways we turn from you...

**God of grace, forgive us.**

We offer our prayers in the name of the One who saves us, Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God* HWB #324

Children's Feature

*Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us* HWB #352

### **Sharing the Good News...**

Announcements

Offering Prayer

*Count your blessings* CELEB.HYMNAL #786 v.1,2,4

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:10-14.

Meditation: "God has a plan"

### **Responding with our Whole Hearts...**

*Obey my voice* HWB #163

### North Star Praise and Prayers

One: Out of the depths we cry to the Lord.

**All: We wait for the Lord and find hope in God's Word.**

One: Hope in the Lord!

**All: For with God there is steadfast love.**

One: With God there is great power to redeem.

**All: So we come to offer our prayers and praise to God in whom we trust.**

One: Great and Holy God, source of our life and all life,

**All: your glory is incomprehensible and your majesty infinite.**

One: You are the wellspring of new life and the fountain of true freedom.

**All: We marvel at your love, beyond all measure;**

One: we are challenged by your kindness which reaches further than we can imagine.

**All: We worship you in gratitude, offering you our praise with the voices of all creation, and our trust because you have come to close to us in Christ Jesus.**

One: Receive our love and loyalty, now and always, offered through the Spirit who prays within us.

*(Opportunity for silent prayers of thanksgiving)*

One: Lord Jesus Christ, You are our source of peace and healing, and we are grateful. We pray for each one who faces choices and decisions about their health - for those trying to follow good diets and exercise enough; for all waiting for appointments or wondering if they should make another; for any who find caring for their health frustrating, and for all facing pain or anxiety for themselves, family, friends, neighbours and people around the world.

**All: In all our struggles and good intentions we ask for healing, strength, wisdom and peace.**

One: Lord Jesus Christ: You are our source of wisdom and generosity, and we are grateful. We pray for each one facing choices and decisions about finances- for those struggling with bills and budgets; for those torn between covering necessities and enjoying a treat; for those who want to be generous and yet feel overwhelmed by all the need.

**All: In all our financial struggles and good intentions to be generous we ask for healing, strength, wisdom and peace.**

One: Lord Jesus Christ, you are our source of love and forgiveness, and we are grateful. We pray for each one facing choices and decisions about their relationships. We pray for people we ought to call but just haven't; for those with whom we feel a grievance and have been avoiding; We pray for those we'd like to invite into closer relationship but haven't yet; and for those we miss dearly and need to tell how much we cherish them.

**All: In all our good intentions to live out your love and mercy we ask for healing, strength, wisdom, courage and peace.**

One: As we grieve with our Indigenous community, who find themselves confronted again in a terrifying way about their history, help us be thoughtful, kind and humble. Help us as to be part of a nation who mourns with them, be respectful, end hostility and cease systematic mistreatment toward them and all people. We ask for forgiveness for our violent history. We ask your help in our opinions and to work toward increased trust and mutual support.

**All: Help us to go beyond good intentions to live out your love and mercy as we ask for healing, strength, wisdom and peace.**

*(Opportunity for prayers for our Indigenous people and ourselves)*

One: Lord Jesus Christ, you are the source of right relationship, wisdom and rest for God's whole creation. We are grateful. We pray for the earth, its many creatures and habitats competing for survival, for its scarce resources and its abundant beauty.

**All: Challenge us Holy Spirit to live out our good intentions for the earth, for your church, and all your creatures in our lifestyle choices, big and small, governmental policies, and our opinions, so that your kingdom may come on earth not by disaster but through love, kindness and discipleship. In all our struggles and good intentions we ask for healing, strength, wisdom and peace. Amen.**

**Going out to Serve...**

*Blessed assurance*

*HWB #332*

Benediction

Meditation – Donna Friesen

Worship Leader – Tami-Lynn Lehr

Song Leaders – Jim & Eileen Ewert

Accompanists – Worship Team

Sound – Kyle Toporchak/Steven Lehr

Ushers – Ben & Jacob Martens Bartel

**LAST SUNDAY**

Offering – \$520.00      Attendance – 46

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**\*NSMC discussion about Ryan's report\***

Worship Leader – Irene Bartel

**NORTH STAR NOTES:**

- Our sympathy is extended to Phil & Diana Chamberlin and Walter Driediger on the passing of their sister/sister-in-law, Rose Dick, on Sunday, June 13. A family service was held Tuesday, June 22 in Saskatoon.
- Our sympathy is also extended to Floyd & Carolyn Bartel and daughter Tanya and her family on the passing of Tanya's father-in-law, Dan Stinson, on Sunday June 20.