

## **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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Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

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

Welcome and Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation & Confession

Assurance of Pardon

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

Announcements

Invitation to the Offering

Scripture: Galatians 5:16-6:5, 9-10

Meditation: "What is Church About?"

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

Praise and Prayers

- Prayer requests
- Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession:

God of mystery and meaning, help us to discover your purpose for our lives. Free us from the limits set by past expectation and experience and keep us open to all possibilities. Bless those who extend the boundaries of love and respect, who show kindness to strangers and forgiveness to people who hurt them. Work among us by your Spirit to heal the invisible wounds of the heart:

**Lord, in your mercy...Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who suffer from the influence of anger, jealousy, resentment or bitterness, their own or from others. Work among us by your Spirit to create mutual respect and good relations.

**Lord, in your mercy...Hear our prayer.**

We pray for your wisdom to inspire politicians, judges, lawyers, and all who form and keep our laws. Work among us by your Spirit to recognize injustice and respond to create systems of fairness and trust.

**Lord, in your mercy...Hear our prayer.**

We pray for your healing for those who are ill or in chronic pain, for those grieving the many losses of the pandemic, and for all who feel afraid for the future. Work among us by your Spirit to renew hope and sustain our support for each other.

**Lord, in your mercy...Hear our prayer.**

We pray for those whose workplaces are recovering from the lockdowns and economic shock during the pandemic. Give courage to those who have lost so much, and creativity to those reorganizing their lives. Work among us by your Spirit to rebuild common life with an eye to the most vulnerable.

**Lord, in your mercy...Hear our prayer.**

And now we offer you the prayers on hearts today in silence...

To you Lord, Source of each life and all life, we bring our prayers, uniting in the words Jesus taught us:

**The Lord's Prayer:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

### ***Going out to Serve...***

Closing and Benediction

#### **THIS SUNDAY**

Meditation – Dan Graber      Worship Leader – Peter Nicholson

#### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Meditation – Dan Graber

**Please note that all events at North Star (worship, meetings, etc.) will be cancelled until further notice. We will continue to send weekly bulletins and information will also be posted on the church website. If you have any questions or comments please call or email the church.**

### **COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:**

Monday, August 17-Thursday, August 20

VBS at North Star (depending on COVID-19 restrictions)

### **NORTH STAR NOTES:**

- Our sympathy is extended to family and friends of Velma Rosenberger who passed away on Friday, June 26. A Visitation was held at Fotheringham's on Tuesday, June 30 and a private graveside service was held at the Sharon Cemetery on Thursday, July 2.
- To see the video of the sermon, please click on the sermon title on the North Star web site ([northstarmc.ca](http://northstarmc.ca))

- We are looking for pictures for our church website. These could include worship, church activities, Sunday School, clubs, etc. Please email any suitable photos to the church as soon as possible.

### **MINUTE FOR MISSIONS**

**Praying for each other:** Pray for Witness workers, Sook Kyoung Park and Bock Ki Kim as they work with others in South Korea to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the beginning of the Korean war on June 25. Pray that the message of peace and reconciliation, through Jesus, Prince of Peace, will bring healing to people caught in this 70-year conflict.

**MCC Connects: Celebrate MCC's 100th birthday by participating in the Go!100 challenge!** One hundred years ago MCC was formed in response to the needs of people fleeing what is now known as Ukraine. Today, we are again coming together to respond to the needs of people around the world - especially in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. To celebrate our birthday and raise money for MCC's work, we are challenging you to do 100 of something. Read 100 poems, walk 100 kms or donate 100 items to MCC Thrift. The possibilities are endless!

**CMU Connects:**