

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...

Call to Worship

Leader: Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: Though your sins are like scarlet, do you think they shall be like snow?

People: Though they are red like crimson, do you really think they shall become like wool?

Leader: Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

People: Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. Happy are those who are transformed to receive and share God's love.

Gathering Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

God of the Bible

STJ #27

Rain down

STJ #49

Disoriented Love...

Let the children come to me (children leave for Sunday School)

Scripture: 2 Samuel 11:1-27

Homily 1: "The Slippery Slope of Lust"

For God so loved us

HWB #167

Oriented Toward God's Love...

Spiritual practice – Prayer of examen

1. In which moments of yesterday, did I feel closest to God?
2. Which moments of my day led me away from God?
3. How can I offer thanks for the moments of closeness to God and how can I remember those activities that led me away from God?

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

O breathe on me, O breath of God

STJ #46

Congregational Sharing and Prayer

Newly Oriented Love for Discipleship...

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; Mark 12:29-31; John 8:1-11.

Homily 2: "Chasing Chastity: The Case for Purity"

Tithes and Offerings

You walk along our shoreline

STJ #99

Sending Blessing

Meditation – Donna Friesen

Song Leader – Leona Ewert

Sound – Ivan Bartel

Worship Leader – Peter Nicholson

Pianist – Esther Laskowski

Ushers – Vicky Toporchak, Emery Laskowski

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance – 59

Offering – \$1030.00

NEXT SUNDAY

Meditation – Dan Graber Worship Leader – Irene Bartel

Next Sunday we will celebrate Remembrance/Eternity Sunday where we will remember those in our community who have passed away this year – Josie Braun, Jake Driediger, Blanche Bowman.

Please let Pastor Dan know if there are others you wish to be remembered.

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Wednesday, November 6

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

Thursday, November 7

2:30 p.m. – North Star service at Lanigan Lodge. Everyone is welcome as help is needed with singing, etc., especially for the next two weeks.

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Monday, November 18

7:00 p.m. – Koinonia meets at church for a craft night. Bring \$10 for supplies. *NOTE DATE & TIME CHANGE*

Saturday, December 7

6:00 p.m. – North Star Annual Christmas Banquet at the Community Centre. Doors open at 6:00, supper at 6:30. Entertainment will be provided by Bethany Wiens and Friends (Ladies Quartet). Tickets (\$25.00/person) are available at the church office and must be purchased by **December 1st**.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- Our sympathy is extended to Marge and John & Denise Bartel and extended family on the passing of their daughter/sister-in-law, Gloria Bartel, wife of Tom Bartel of Lockport, MB on Monday, October 28. Funeral will be held Nov. 9 at Seasons Funeral Service, Oakbank, MB.
- Do you have household items that you don't use and want to clear out of your cupboards or closets? Kyle Toporchak has a new co-worker at John Deere coming from South Africa and they have a house but nothing else. They will be needing dishes, linens, furniture, etc. If you have anything that you would like to donate, please contact Kyle at 306 850-6908 or email kvttoporchak@outlook.com. Thanks.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Thursday, November 7

10:30 a.m. – Micah Mission AGM at 226 Avenue V South, Saskatoon.
Please join us to learn more about our work.

Monday, November 11

2:00 p.m. – Remembrance Day Service at Bethany Manor Fellowship Centre: You are invited to a service of reflection, Scripture readings, and to hear the Doukhobor story of the burning of the guns. Participants will include Mae Popoff, Lois Siemens and others. Coffee and sweets will be served.

Wednesday, November 13

6:30 p.m. – RJC Kielke & Sausage fundraising supper at Bethany Manor, Saskatoon). There will be two seatings for supper: 4:30PM for Bethany residents & guests and 6:30PM for all other friends & family of RJC. Performances by the RJC Singers. Admission by donation. Everyone is welcome! If you are willing to help out with this event (setting up, clearing tables, etc.), or to RSVP, please contact Alex Tiessen at alex.tiessen@rjc.sk.ca or call 306-232-4222.

Sunday, November 24

2:30 p.m. – Saskatoon Men's Chorus presents their advent concert "Together For Christmas" at Zion Lutheran Church, 4th Ave and 19th St. Saskatoon. Guest musicians: St Peter's Chorus, Gabriel Beneš, Baritone. See poster for details and Willis for tickets.

Sunday, December 1

2:30 p.m. – St. Peter's Chorus Advent Concert with guests, Saskatoon Men's Chorus, at St. Augustine Church, Humboldt. See poster for details.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Canada Connects: MC Canada Executive Minister Doug Klassen is currently spending time with church leaders in Burkina Faso from Oct. 23 to Nov. 5. He will meet with the Congo Partnership Council and Burkina Faso Partnership Council, and visit Grace Community Church and Christ Salvation Mennonite Church. Klassen is also helping prepare for the upcoming leadership transition in the Africa Inter-Mennonite Mission office. Pray God will lead and guide in these meetings in a way that builds up the church and furthers the coming of God's reign.

MCC Connects: Thank you so much to everyone who came out to our Buckets of Thanks event and helped pack 500 relief kits in under an hour! These will be used to provide valuable supplies to families whose lives have been disrupted by war or disaster. We couldn't do this without your support. If you weren't able to attend but still want to donate or pack a bucket, visit mccbuckets.ca or call our office at 306.665.2555.

CMU Connects: CMU offers financial assistance for students traveling to CMU from a distance—whether for an Open House, Campus Visit Day or for an individual visit. Go to cmu.ca/campusvisit for details of this support as well as upcoming opportunities: