

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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

March 1, 2020

Lent 1 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Show us your hiding place in the thick of temptation

Gathering in the Spirit...

Welcome and Announcements

Call to worship

Leader: Eternal God, you call beloved daughters and sons.

**People: We praise you for creating us
and calling us to cultivate your life in the world.**

Leader: Eternal God, you call our name in the garden

**People: We come to worship,
acknowledging our vulnerabilities and temptations.**

Leader: Eternal God, you are our hiding place,
where forgiveness and mercy encircle us.

**All: Thanks be to God for the radical grace
offered to us through Jesus Christ.**

Prayer

I am weak and I need thy strength HWB #553

Jesus, be the centre

Sharing the Good News...

Confession

Leader: God calls to us, "Where are you?"

**People: We, like Adam, hide in the garden,
hoping God does not come looking for us.**

Leader: God asks, "What have you done?"

People: We, like Eve, say, "the devil made me do it," masking our shame.

Leader: Our choices have consequences and yet God's grace abounds.

**People: I confess I have hidden and denied my sin. When I refused to admit my
wrongs, I was miserable; even my bones felt brittle.
Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.**

(Silence)

Assurance of Pardon

Just a closer walk with thee (Children leave for SS) STJ #106

Scripture: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19

Offering

Scripture: Matthew 4:1-11

Responsive Reading Psalm 32

Meditation: "Lent: Spring Training For Christians"

Responding with our Whole Hearts...

Change my heart oh God

Ritual of Response

Going out to Serve...

The Lord lift you up STJ #73

Benediction

Meditation – Dan Graber

Song Leader – Tami-Lynn Lehr

Sound – Peter Nicholson

Worship Leader – Joanne K. Bergen

Pianist – Chris Bergen

Ushers – Amy Wildeman, Willis Jantz

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance – 66 Offering – \$1462.30

NEXT SUNDAY

Worship Leader – Floyd Bartel Song Leaders – Jim & Eileen Ewert

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Monday, March 2

10:00 a.m. – Falls Prevention Presentation at the Community Centre.

Everyone welcome.

Wednesday, March 4

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

Friday, March 6

1:30 p.m. – World Day of Prayer "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk" at Knox United Church, Lanigan. Everyone welcome.

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Saturday, April 18

Prairie Light Christian Fellowship Anniversary Celebration. Everyone invited. More details to follow.

Friday, April 24

Theatre of the Beat at North Star. More details to follow.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- "You may notice that the scripture readings are from a different translation. It's called Voice. It's an English translation developed by Thomas Nelson and the Ecclesia Bible Society. The Voice is a modern language, dynamic equivalent translation. Some of the readings will have additional information to provide background to the text."
- Because PLCF is now storing music equipment in the choir loft and to prevent damage, please discourage children from accessing the stage (to blow out candles, etc.)
- Girls club, joining the girls and women of our community. March 11 (team bake-off), and April 1 (surprise!). Please RSVP to Lisa.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Thursday, March 5

7:00 p.m. – RJC 115 Turnaround Strategy Presentation & Reception at Bethany Manor. Please RSVP to ryan@rjc.sk.ca

Friday, March 6

10:30 a.m. –Join us at the MCC Centre for an unveiling ceremony of our Treaty Land Acknowledgment. For more information, check out MCC Saskatchewan's Facebook page or contact our office at 306.665.2555.

Friday, March 6-Saturday, March 7

Menn. Historical Society AGM at Bethany Manor, Saskatoon. Abe Janzen will be our Guest Speaker (former Dir. of MCC Alberta for 21 years), recently returned from four months in Bolivia. See poster for details.

Monday, March 9 & Wednesday, March 11

Dallas Valley Fundraising Banquets in Regina & Strasbourg. See poster.

Friday, March 13-Saturday, March 14

MC Sask Annual Delegate Session at First Menn. Church, Saskatoon, co-hosted with Wildwood Menn. Registration forms available in the office or online at <https://mcsask.ca/2020-mc-sask-annual-delegate-sessions/>. Earlybird deadline is **March 8**. Register soon to get the lower price and to get meals! Delegates: Peter Nicholson, Marlys Jantz, Floyd Bartel & Lisa Martens Bartel.

Sunday, March 15

7:00 p.m. – RJC Choirs & Cakes in the RJC Auditorium featuring performances by Coro Nova, RJC ManChoir, & RJC Singers. Tickets not required. Rush seating. Call (306) 232-4222 if you have questions.

Saturday, March 28

7:00 p.m. – Coro Nova Spring Concert at Knox United Church. Please join us for an evening of song!

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Sask Connects: Help needed! Volunteers to look after approximately 10 children (ranging in ages from approximately 1 to 8 years old) during the MC Sask ADS meetings March 13 & 14 at First Menn., Saskatoon. Childcare will happen in the basement (parents will be in the building). Times: Friday 1-9 p.m. and Sat. 8:30-5 (children will be with their parents during meal breaks). There will be remuneration available for the volunteers. Please contact Linda Martens at linell.martens@gmail.com or 306.384.4786

MCC Connects: Bring a lunch and join us on Thursday, March 5th to hear stories celebrating almost 20 years of MCC's support of Low German speaking Mennonites with a designated liaison. From 12:00-1:30pm at the MCC Centre we will hear from Leonard Doell, Dick Braun, and former MCC Alberta Executive Director Abe Janzen as they share about their work with Low German speaking Mennonites in Sask., in Canada and around the world.