

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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

February 7, 2021

Worship Service 9:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Gathering in the Spirit...

Welcome

We sing to you, O God STJ #1

Responsive reading (from Psalm 147 & Isaiah 40)

Leader: Praise the Lord! How good it is to sing praises to our God; for he is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.

People: He heals the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds.

Leader: Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?

People: It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in;

Leader: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

People: The Lord lifts up the downtrodden; he casts the wicked to the ground.

Leader: To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One.

People: The Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him, in those who hope in his steadfast love.

Leader: Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

People: He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

All: Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Prayer

They that wait upon the Lord HWB #584

Sharing the Good News...

Announcements

Invitation to the Offering & Offering Prayer

Listen, God is calling STJ #42

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 9:16-23; Mark 1:29-39

Meditation: "Living in God's Will"

Responding with our Whole Hearts...

Jesus Christ is waiting STJ #30

North Star Praise and Prayers

Going out to Serve...

You are salt for the earth HWB #226

Closing and Benediction

Meditation – Donna Friesen

Worship Leader – Rose Graber

Song Leader – John Bartel

Sound – Kyle Toporchak

Visuals – Steven Lehr

Ushers – Vicky Toporchak, Emery Laskowski

LAST SUNDAY

Offering – \$1320.00 Attendance (9:45) 25 (11:00) 26

NEXT SUNDAY

Meditation – Teen Challenge Worship Leader – Donna Friesen

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Sunday, February 14

We will have a guest speaker from Teen Challenge - for both services. She will be representing the Prairie Hope Centre, a women's facility.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- If you would like to view the graveside and the memorial services for Belle Mullet go to this youtube channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBN3W2k0VfqgXcQEzg2fS1g>
I am enjoying looking back on Mom's life and being able to share these memories with you. – Rebecca Kennel
- The 2020 Annual reports are in your mailboxes. Please keep them and remember to bring them to our Annual meeting (when we are able to have one). If you would like to have a copy sent to your email address please notify the office.
- Call for RJC alumni & friends to join virtual choirs: We invite anyone interested to join one or both of the virtual alumni & friends choirs that Richard Janzen is putting together for RJC's upcoming Virtual Choirs & Cakes fundraiser event on **March 14**. There will be a mass choir (alumni, friends, greater community, & RJC students) and an alumni & friends choir. All are welcome. If you are interested in singing, email richard@rjc.sk.ca.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Saturday, March 13

Save the date! The 2021 MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions will be held virtually. Registration and report book available soon. We will need delegates to participate on Zoom for this session. This could be done at church if not available on your home computer. Please contact the office if interested.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Sask Connects: Mennonite Church Saskatchewan is preparing three worship services based on the 2021 Annual Delegate Session theme Called to Hear. The second service, led by Josh & Cindy, is now available at <https://mcsask.ca/mcsaskworshipservices>

MCC Connects: : “Love your neighbour!” How do we do this when there are points of tension? Saskatchewan is still wrestling with the aftermath of Colten Boushie’s tragic death in 2016. MCC Saskatchewan invites you to an online discussion with Tasha Hubbard (film maker), Doug Cuthand (author and journalist), and MCC’s own Amanda Dodge, about Hubbard’s 2019 documentary *nîpawistamâsowin: We Will Stand Up*. Free and open to all, this event will take place February 25th at 7:00pm. To register, visit <https://www.cognitoforms.com/MennoniteCentralCommittee2/WeWillStandUp>. The following week, Saskatchewan participants will have the opportunity for a follow-up debrief (Mar 4, 7pm), hosted by the “Walking The Path” group of MC Sask.

CMU Connects: Be part of CMU’s next Wednesday Webinar entitled So you want to write a winning scholarship essay... It can be challenging to find time to apply and write a scholarship essay in the midst of busy schedules and school assignments. This Webinar will help steer you in the right direction. Tune in for helpful tips to elevate your writing and to understand more fully what awards committee readers are looking for. Increase the likelihood of scholarship money being awarded to you! Wednesday, February 10, 4:00 PM (CST). Register at www.cmu.ca/webinar.

Face2Face | Who Cares? The elderly among us... A global pandemic is shining a light on our assumptions about the elderly among us. COVID-19 has exposed cracks in our systems of care, and shed light on our understandings of aging, revealing how we value older adults in our communities. How might we listen anew to the voice and resilience of older adults, and how could such listening reshape our imagination and understanding? Join us on Zoom for a panel conversation with a Personal Care Home Executive, along with a number of seniors, including an Indigenous Elder. Wednesday, February 24, 7:00 – 8:30 PM (CST)