

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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

June 13, 2021

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

Gathering in the Spirit...

Welcome

Hamba nathi (Come, walk with us) STJ #2

Invitation to Worship Hebrews 4:12-16 (New Living Translation)

Leader: For the word of God is alive and powerful. It is sharper than the sharpest two-edged sword, cutting between soul and spirit, between joint and marrow. It exposes our innermost thoughts and desires. Nothing in all creation is hidden from God. Everything is naked and exposed before his eyes, and he is the one to whom we are accountable. So then, since we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe. This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same testings we do, yet he did not sin.

People: *So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.*

Prayer

Invitation to 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.

Sharing the Good News...

Announcements

Offering Prayer

We walk by faith

HWB #570

Responsive Reading:

Leader: Prepare our hearts, O God, to receive this report. We have offered our wisdom and now we receive what you have prepared Ryan to share with us. We are about your work our Creator and may this report please you and may our hearts and minds hear and accept this report.

Men: We know the fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge; fools despise wisdom and instruction. (Proverbs 1:7)

Women: We trust in the LORD with all our hearts, and do not lean on our own understanding. In all our ways we acknowledge Jesus, and he will make straight our paths. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

Men: James advises us: If any of you lacks wisdom, let us ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given us. (James 1:5)

People: *We delight to do Your will, O our God, And Your law is within our hearts." (Psalm 40:8)*

Leader: We commit our way unto the Lord; and we trust in Him also, and he shall bring it to pass. (Psalm 37:5)

People: *We are not being conformed to this world, but long for more transformation by the renewal of our minds, that by testing we may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. (Romans 12:2)*

Men: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! (Romans 11:33)

Women: And it is our prayer that our love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that we may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ. (Philippians 1:9-10)

People: *We praise you Holy God for this time and opportunity to consider your will for our future. We anticipate receiving your wisdom and rejoice in your presence among us. May your Holy Spirit lead and guide us as we hear the report and as we reflect and discuss it over the coming weeks. May it be your voice we hear in our ears, minds and hearts. May our sharing be honest and clear and loving.*

Leader: We trust that these words we receive will be your words Lord and that everyone who hears these words does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. (Matthew 7:24)

People: *Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! (Romans 11:33) Jesus, may we sense renewal and your guidance through this time of discernment. We thank you for your wisdom and help.*

God of the Bible

STJ #27

Scripture: Colossians 2:1-15

Meditation: "Christ is Sufficient"

Responding with our Whole Hearts...

I want to walk as a child of the light *STJ #95*

North Star Praises and Prayers

Going out to Serve...

As rain from the clouds

STJ #40

Benediction

Meditation – Dan Graber

Worship Leader – Joanne K. Bergen

Song Leader – John Bartel

Sound – Kyle Toporchak

Visuals – Donna Friesen

Ushers – Vicky Toporchak, Emery Laskowski

LAST SUNDAY

Offering – \$4060.00 Attendance – 58

NEXT SUNDAY

Meditation – Ryan Siemens Worship Leader – Rose Graber
Ryan Siemens will report his findings and recommendations
from the Vision Renewal .

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Tuesday, June 15

7:30 p.m. – Koinonia meets at the home of Esther Laskowski (weather permitting).
Bring your own beverage and lawn chairs.

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Sunday, June 27

10:30 a.m. – Father's Day picnic at the home of Wes & Loraine Epp. Bring your own
picnic lunch (including beverages) and your lawn chairs.

Sunday, July 4

10:30 a.m. - NSMC discussion about Ryan's report.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- Mennonite Disaster Service is running a project this summer at West Bank Bible Camp, near Swift Current doing renovations on a house at the camp. The project begins **July 4** and runs for 6 weeks with 8-10 volunteers needed per week. Some accommodations available, as well as spots for RVs. For more information or if you are interested in volunteering please contact Kelsey Friesen at the MDS office, email: kfriesen@mds.org, phone: 204-261-1274.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Wednesday, June 16

7:00 p.m. – Mega Menno Online Games Night on Gather. Gather link:
<https://gather.town/j/FZRKmjWa>. Contact Kirsten Hamm-Epp
(youthminister@mcsask.ca) for more information.

Friday, June 18-Thursday, June 24

RJC Musical: Disney's Freaky Friday! A virtual musical by the students and staff of RJC High School. Tickets for scheduled viewing times are on sale now at ShowTix4U.com! \$20 per viewing device. Visit rjc.sk.ca for more information.

Friday, June 25

RJC Graduation Exercises live-streamed for the public. Baccalaureate Service
10:00 a.m. Graduation Ceremony 2:00 p.m. Watch events online at rjc.sk.ca/grad2021.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Canada Connects: Join our nationwide community of faith for MC Canada's AGM on Sat., June 19, 1-2:30 p.m. EDT. We will hear updates from our program directors, enjoy worship and reflect together as members of MC Canada Joint Council share what God has shown them over the past year. All are welcome to register.