

## **NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH**

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

November 21, 2021

Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

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

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Call to Worship (VT #853)

Leader: If you are delighted to be here, and if you are tired or troubled,

**People: you are welcome.**

Leader: If your faith is strong, and if your faith is battered or frail,

**People: you are welcome.**

Leader: If you are eager to praise God, and if you need to be quiet,

**People: you are welcome.**

**ALL: God welcomes us all to worship today and promises to meet us here.**

*If you believe and I believe*

*STJ #32*

Prayer of Confession

**Leader:** Listen to God's words of compassion: "I taught you to walk and lifted you like an infant to my cheek. How can I give you up? I am the Holy One in your midst and I will not come in wrath."

**People: Merciful God, we have not loved you with our whole heart, nor our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive what we have been, take us as we are and guide what we shall be.**

**Leader:** Heed God's words of compassion: "I have loved you through the love and redeeming actions of Jesus, my Son. Remember, I am the Holy One in your midst."

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

Announcements

*Let the children come to Me (while children leave for Sunday School)*

Offering Prayer

*Will you come and follow me*

*STS #39 v.1, opt. 1&2*

Scripture: Isaiah 43:18-21

Message: "Come & See"

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

*How can I say*

*STS #117*

North Star Praise and Prayers

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

*We will walk with God*

*STJ #78*

Benediction

Meditation – a video message from George & Tobia Veith

Worship Leader – Jim Ewert

Song Leader – Leona Ewert

Sound – Steven Lehr

Visuals – Kyle/Vicky Toporchak

Ushers – Ben & Jacob Martens Bartel

### **LAST SUNDAY**

Offering – \$1720.00 Attendance – 57

### **NEXT SUNDAY (First Advent Sunday)**

Meditation – Dan Graber

Worship Leader – Joanne K. Bergen

Our worship service next Sunday will include the serving of Communion.

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

Saturday, December 11-Sunday, December 12

Werner and Joanne De Jong will be our guest speakers.

### **NORTH STAR NOTES:**

- Please be in prayer for the people of BC. Intensive rainfall over the weekend has closed all major highways leading into and out of Vancouver and Fraser Valley, flooding in lower areas has meant evacuations for many people, other people have been stranded away from home because of impassable roads. MCBC has one church (Yarrow) in an evacuated area. Some other churches are dealing with flooding in basements and leaking roofs.

### **BEYOND NORTH STAR:**

***Please note that this event has been cancelled:***

**Wednesday, November 24**

***RJC Spend-A-Day.***

Friday, December 3

7:00-9:30 p.m. – 'Winter-Menno Games', MCC Centre, Saskatoon. With Witness Workers George and Tobia Veith, join us for a night of activities inspired by the upcoming Winter Olympics, Chinese culture, and the life of being a disciple in a foreign place. Do you have what it takes to be a Menno-Olympian?? Come and find out!

### **MINUTE FOR MISSIONS**

**MC Sask Connects:** Ryan Siemens (Executive Minister) has recently announced he will be resigning his position at the end of January 2022 to take on the role of Executive Director with MCC Alberta. Pray for Ryan and his family (Sandra, Isaiah, Elliott, Bennett), as well as MC Sask staff and leadership as they navigate and prepare for this transition.

**MCC Connects:** Theatre of the Beat invites you to ***Forgiven/Forgotten***. This audio-visual presentation follows the varying responses of a community that learns an ex-offender will be serving his parole in their midst. This emotionally driven piece addresses issues of crime, reintegration, and our responses to those affected by these themes most. Digital screenings are available from November 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>. Community/church screening kits will be available starting in December! Reach out to [heatherpeters@mccsk.ca](mailto:heatherpeters@mccsk.ca) if you are interested. For more info head to [www.theatreofthebeat.ca/forgivenforgotten](http://www.theatreofthebeat.ca/forgivenforgotten).

**CMU Connects:** Consider CMU: A small university making a big difference! Sign up for our November 24 virtual open house or our November 26 campus visit day. Visit [cmu.ca/experience](http://cmu.ca/experience) for more information and to register. *Apply for fall 2022 classes before November 30 and your application fee is waived!*

Business at CMU information webinar, December 1, 6:00 PM CST. Learn how CMU's Bachelor of Business Administration program prepares students for careers in business and non-profit organizations. To register visit [cmu.ca/webinar](http://cmu.ca/webinar).

CommonWord Christmas Sale runs November 29 to December 3. Save on fair-trade and specialty food and coffee products, unique seasonal books, and resources. Many creative gift ideas! For hours and more online creative gift ideas, visit [commonword.ca](http://commonword.ca).

Book Launch – *Benchmark: Countering COVID through Painting and Poetry*, Thursday, December 2 at 7:00 PM. Join Susan Moore and Mary Reimer for paintings, poems, and stories created while occupying 52 different benches around Winnipeg during the pandemic. Visit [commonword.ca/go/2653](http://commonword.ca/go/2653) to register and for livestream details.