

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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March 13, 2022

Lent 2 Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

From Fear to Compassion

Gathering in the Spirit...

Welcome

The Lord is my light

STJ #97

Call to Worship

Leader: Together we seek the way of God,

People: As disappointment oppresses and violence threatens,

Leader: We come to ask: Whom shall we fear?

People: We come to be reminded of God's power and to be led more deeply into God's love.

Leader: We long to gather under the wings of Christ, as a mother hen,

All: and to learn the holy way of compassion.

Opening Prayer

When we are tempted

STS #81

Scripture

Responsive reading

Leader: Your ways, O God, are higher than our ways.

People: Your thoughts are higher than our thoughts.

Leader: We seek God's ways.

All: Lord, move us away from fearful responses into the light of your compassion.

Lenten prayer of confession (Isaiah 55 adapted)

Leader: Holy One, we seek you while you may be found.

People: We call upon you while you are near.

Leader: Have mercy on us, O God, for our thoughts are not your thoughts and our ways are not your ways.

People: Forgive us for living with fear. Help us live out compassion.

Leader: As we walk with Christ on this Lenten journey, let us see your way more clearly

All: and follow your way more faithfully.

Sharing the Good News...

Announcements

Offering Prayer – If you wish to designate your offering for this morning in support of Truth & Reconciliation please make your cheque to North Star and designate to the "MC Sask Ministries Commission" on the envelope.

Let the children come to Me (Children's time – no Sunday School)

We are often tossed and driv'n

STS #72

Scripture: James 5:13-20

People: God's Word is a Lamp to our Feet and a Light to our Path.

Thanks be to God.

Meditation: "Together in suffering, Together we heal"

Responding with our Whole Hearts...

What a friend we have in Jesus

HWB #573

North Star Praises and Prayers

Going out to Serve...

A Wonderful Savior is Jesus

HWB #598

Benediction

Meditation – Steve Heinrichs, MC Canada, Indigenous-Settler Relations

Worship Leader – Jim Ewert Song Leader – Leona Ewert

Sound & Visuals – Steven Lehr

Ushers – Vicky Toporchak, Emery Laskowski

LAST SUNDAY

Offering – \$8270.00 (MCC-Ukraine \$3650.00) Attendance – 43

NEXT SUNDAY

Meditation – Dan Graber Worship Leader – Joanne K. Bergen

There will be coffee before Sunday School next Sunday, March 20 from 9:30-10:00. Everyone is welcome.

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Tuesday, March 15

2:00 p.m. – Koinonia meets in the church basement for spring clean-up. Please bring your own rubber gloves and cleaning tools of choice. Willing workers welcome!

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Thursday, March 17

RJC Spend-A-Day. Are you a prospective student in grades 7-11? Come experience a day at RJC to see what it's all about? Shadow a current student, attend classes, chapel, lunch, and other fun activities planned by our student leaders. Register by email to admissions@rjc.sk.ca.

Sunday, March 27

7:30 p.m. – Coro Nova SATB Choir Spring Concert - We are back singing again and happy to share an evening of song with you! Many of our 50+ choir members have ties to our Mennonite churches and to RJC. Please join us for our first concert in over 2 years at Knox United Church, Saskatoon. Tickets are \$10 at the door and free for children - doors will open at 7pm! As per current provincial guidelines masks and double vaccinations are strongly encouraged. We hope to see you there!!!

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Sask Connects: Save the date!! MC Sask Women's Retreat is booked for May 13-14, 2022 at Shekinah! Details coming soon!

MC Canada Connects: Read a pastoral letter regarding Ukraine

<https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/article/13094-a-pastoral-letter-regarding-ukraine>.

Mennonite World Conference president J. Nelson Kraybill offers prayers and encouragement in a letter addressed to those experiencing conflict and violence in Ukraine.

Doug Klassen will serve second term as executive minister of Mennonite Church Canada <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/news/13074-doug-klassen-will-serve-second-term-as-executive-minister-of-mennonite-church-canada>.

Doug Klassen's term as executive minister of Mennonite Church Canada has been renewed for a second three-year term beginning June 1, 2022.

MCC Connects: Save the date! The MCC Saskatchewan Relief Sale is coming June 2022. We are now accepting donations for various auction items. Contact Marg Epp at 306-381-7059 or mepp@sasktel.net to make your donation. We ask all donations include product use and care information, and begin at a minimum \$50 in value.

CMU Connects: CMU Campus Visit Days on March 29, 30 – Potential students are invited to a half-day in-person experience. Tour the campus, visit a class, meet profs and current students, learn about financial aid opportunities, and enjoy a treat from folio café. To register visit cmu.ca/campusvisit.

Music at CMU Open House, March 31, 1:30-4:00 PM CST – For those considering a Bachelor of Music, Music Therapy, or a Bachelor of Arts with a Music major. Meet with professors, discover what classes are like, and tour the campus. To register visit cmu.ca/campusvisit.

Science at CMU Open House, April 1, 1:00-3:30 PM CST – Why science at CMU? Students have the opportunity for fieldwork and research, learn in small classes and labs, and talk about the relationship between science and faith. Join us to meet professors, take part in a university-style lab, go on a campus tour, and enjoy some time at our on-campus café. To register visit cmu.ca/campusvisit.

CMU's Master of Business Administration – Our collaborative program is designed for working professionals with a focus on leadership for the common good. For information or to register for the Fall 2022 cohort, visit cmu.ca/mba.

LENT 2

From Fear to Compassion

Where are you standing at this moment? Not yet under Jesus' "wings," or ready to step out from there without fear?



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