

## **NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH**

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

September 4, 2022

Worship Service 10:30 a.m.

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

Welcome

*Come Away from Rush and Hurry* VT #9

Call to Worship (HWB #669)

Opening Prayer

Confession & Assurance (HWB #703 & #705)

*Let's sing unto the Lord* HWB #55

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

Announcements

Offering Prayer

*As rain from the clouds* STJ #40

Scripture: Various verses

Meditation: "The Reality of our Status as a Remnant"

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

*You are salt for the earth* HWB #226

Praises and Prayers

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

*Let there be light, Lord God* STJ #67

Benediction

Meditation – Dan Graber Worship Leader – Irene Bartel

Song Leader – John Bartel Sound – Ivan Bartel

Visuals – Lisa/Jacob Martens Bartel

Ushers – Myrven Kline, Amy Wildeman

### **LAST SUNDAY**

Offering – \$3300.00 Attendance – 40

**NEXT SUNDAY** (Worship at 11:00 a.m.)

Meditation – Dan Graber Worship Leader – Jim Ewert

**TODAY:** The final MC Canada Nationwide Worship service this summer is shared by Bethany Menn. (Virgil, ON). Livestream begins at 11:00 a.m. Title: "Workin' for the man up top" Colossians 3:17, 23-24. Theme: In Luke 10 Jesus tells his disciples that "the worker deserves their wages" implying that

they should not shy away from being paid. Yet few of us work only for the money - that is too spiritually unsatisfying. The bible speaks to this as well: when we work we serve others - customers, co-workers, employers, our own families - and most of all we serve Christ. Available at <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/worshipservices>.

3:00 p.m. – Forest Church at Shekinah. Join us as we say farewell to summer and embrace the beauty and blessings of autumn.

### **THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:**

Thursday, September 8

6:30 p.m. – Community Gift & Thrift is having an evening pricing event focusing on pricing Halloween, autumn decor and winter sporting equipment. If you are interested in joining, please contact Heidi at the shop. We welcome new and returning volunteers!

Sunday, September 11

9:45 a.m. – Adult Sunday School classes (Men's & Women's) begin. Children's class (Ages 3-12) will begin as well and will be held during worship. 11:00 a.m. – We will resume our regular worship time.

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

Wednesday, September 14

7:30 p.m. – Council of Boards Meeting.

### **NORTH STAR NOTES:**

- Dan is canceling his home land line so please use the cell phone if you want to contact Dan at home or outside of time in the office. 1-306-551-2267. Thanks, Dan.
- New requirements for the Lanigan Lodge: Anyone who comes to help with church services and/or wants to volunteer in any way will need to provide the following: Name (First and Last), Phone Number, Email address. Please leave your information with the church office ASAP.
- As fall approaches, please give some prayerful thought to where you might be able to volunteer your time for Sunday School teaching, worship leading, music, etc. and let Mary Jean know where you feel you can serve.
- As the new academic year begins, let's pray for students, staff, and families as they enter into this next phase. May God bless you and keep you during this time.

### **BEYOND NORTH STAR:**

Wednesday, September 7

7:00 p.m. – Coro Nova SATB choir rehearsal. ALL singers (18+) are welcome to join! Rehearsals at Nutana Park Menn. Cut off to join is Sept. 28 rehearsal. If you have any questions or want more information, please contact director Lynne Driedger-Enns at [lynne.driedgerenns@gmail.com](mailto:lynne.driedgerenns@gmail.com). We look forward to making music and community together once again!

### Sunday, September 11

2:00 p.m. – Baby shower for Fletch Edward Bergen, son of Brad & Rachel Bergen, at the Philadelphia Church. Everyone welcome.

### Saturday, September 17

Get your move on for Shekinah! Options this year include hiking, paddling, obstacle course run, family activities, volunteering, and donating! With a prize for the biggest fundraiser, there are lots of ways to get involved and help support Shekinah. Visit [shekinah.ca](http://shekinah.ca) or contact [shekinahmoveathon@gmail.com](mailto:shekinahmoveathon@gmail.com) to learn more.

### Wednesday, September 28

6:30-9:00 p.m. – Please save the date for the MCC Sk Annual General Meeting hosted over Zoom to accommodate participation from across the province. We will spend time looking back over the activities and financial realities of the 2021-2022 year and reflect on how and why advocacy is a valuable tool in the ongoing work of MCC. MCC Sk invites each church to register **one delegate for each 25 persons** in your congregation. Please register for the AGM by calling the MCC office at 306-665-2555, by email to [saskoffice@mccsk.ca](mailto:saskoffice@mccsk.ca) or by visiting [MCC SK AGM 2022 | Mennonite Central Committee Canada \(mcccanada.ca\)](http://MCC SK AGM 2022 | Mennonite Central Committee Canada (mcccanada.ca)). The Zoom meeting information, along with an electronic copy of our Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements will be sent to the email addresses of all who register.

### **MINUTE FOR MISSIONS**

**MC Canada Connects:** Meserete Kristos Church, the largest church body in Mennonite World Conference, recently met at Meserete Kristos Seminary in for an annual conference of regional church leaders. MC Canada Executive Minister Doug Klassen and MCEC Mission Ministers Norm Dyck and Fanosie Legesse, as well as Witness workers Werner and Joanne De Jong were in attendance. Pray for the regional leaders as they return home. Pray for the De Jongs as they assist with much-needed leadership development in this fast-growing church.

**MCC Connects:** In partnership with the New Leaf Learning Centre, MCC is offering a five-part series from Sept.8-Oct.6 entitled "Cultivating Sanctuary: A Conversation on Preventing and Responding to Sexual Misconduct by Church Leaders". These sessions are offered online in either the afternoon or evening and are pay-what-you-can. For more details and to register, please visit <https://www.newleafnetwork.ca/events/cultivatingsanctuary>.

The MCCS Peace Conference will be held on Oct.21-22, focusing on the theme "Land of Living Reconciliation: Seeking Common Ground." More information will follow.

**CMU Connects:** Fall at CMU, the annual alumni and community gathering, takes place Sept. 24 featuring: a Farmer's and Maker's Market, activities for children, MennoCross cyclocross race, food trucks, campus tours, alumni volleyball and basketball games, and 50-, 60-, 70-year alumni reunions. Visit [cmu.ca/fall](http://cmu.ca/fall).

Xplore: At the Intersection of Faith and Life – Xplore offers life-long learning courses investigating dimensions of the Christian faith, our world, and life in it—all without any assignments or exams! Join one or more of our six courses in-person or online Tues., Wed., & Thurs. mornings, beginning Oct. 5. For info. and to register visit [cmu.ca/xplore](http://cmu.ca/xplore).

Pray for the students, faculty, and staff at CMU as another academic year begins on September 7. Pray that the CMU learning community would grow together in wisdom and understanding to make a positive difference in the world.