

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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Pastoral office hours: Tuesday and Wednesday 1:00-4:00 p.m. begin Oct 17.

LAST SUNDAY

Offering – Budget \$2355.00 Non-Budget \$30.00 Attendance – 46

NEXT SUNDAY (MCC Sunday)

Meditation – MCC Worship Leader – Jim Ewert

MCC (Erika Thorgersen & Karla Koehn) are preparing a hands-on worship service for us, including stories from Karla's recent material resource trip to Zambia, as well as packing some MCC kits.

There will be a potluck lunch after the service. Everyone welcome.

TODAY: There will be a congregational meeting immediately following the worship service with a vote for the position of pastor.

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Tuesday, October 17

Koinonia service evening at Community gift & thrift. Meet at 5:30 for a short meeting and devotional. Please bring your own supper. Dessert and coffee will be provided.

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Sunday, November 5

10:00 a.m. – Ric Driediger will be our guest speaker.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- Please check your mailboxes for the request from MC Sask.
- Remember to check the sign-up sheets for coffee and Sunday School on the Educ. Wing bulletin board if you would like to volunteer.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

October 15, 18 & 29

Theatre of the Beat Presents: "I Love You and It Hurts" with 3 Sask. Performances. Admission by Donation.

* October 15th at 2:00 p.m. at Osler Menn., 212 2nd Ave, Osler.

* October 18 at 7:30 p.m. at Sunset United Church, 177 Sunset Dr., Regina (Peace Mennonite/CoSA SS)

* October 29 at 7:00 p.m. at Wildwood Menn., 1502 Acadia Drive, Saskatoon

Thursday, October 19 & Friday, October 20

It's not too late to register for the Called to Be a Worship Leader workshop by Carol Penner at Nutana Park Menn., Saskatoon. Are you a worship leader, interested in worship leading or intimidated by worship leading? This is the workshop for you! Carol Penner has produced many resources for worship leaders and will lead us through the role of the worship leader and give us many tips and resources. Details and registration at <https://mcsask.ca/event/11422>

Thursday, October 26

6:30 p.m. – Community Gift and Thrift is hosting a Kairos Blanket Exercise at the Thrift Store. The Blanket Exercise helps to provide a better understanding of the history surrounding the colonization of Canada, the impact of the treaties and the challenges surrounding Residential Schools. Join us for an evening of learning and community building. Refreshments will be provided. Please RSVP to lanigan@thrift.mccsk.ca. Thank you!

Friday, October 27

4:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. – Mega Menno Fall Party at Osler Menn.

6:00 p.m. – The Micah Mission is holding a Steak Dinner Fundraiser at Mulberry's Restaurant (2326B Millar Ave, Saskatoon). Cocktails commence at 6:00 p.m. with dinner to follow at 7:00 p.m. The event features dinner, a silent auction, 50/50 raffle, games, and more. To purchase tickets please email info@themicahmission.org.

Saturday, October 28

5:00 p.m. – RJC's Annual Fundraising Dinner - 2023 German-English Academy Awards. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Dinner and program at 6:00 p.m. Celebrating the legacy of musical theatre and the arts at RJC. Featuring performances of musical theatre songs & scenes from RJC musicals past by RJC alumni, friends, and students. Donations support RJC's bursary program. Tickets \$25/person or \$200/table available Oct. 2. Call (306) 232-4222 or visit rjc.sk.ca to reserve your spot. Space is limited.

Friday, November 3

7:00 p.m. – The Board of Shekinah invites you to the 'TReEmendous Times with Trifle' fundraising event at Bethany Manor (110 La Ronge Rd) in the Fellowship Centre and musical entertainment will be provided by The Golden Hour. Admission (by donation) gratefully accepted.

Saturday, November 4

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. – MCC Saskatchewan Peace Conference "Peace by Peace: International and Local Peacebuilding" at Wildwood Menn., Saskatoon. See mcc.org for more information and to register.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Sask Connects: It is with sadness that we share the news that Laird Menn. Church has withdrawn from MC Sask. While we grieve this decision, we seek God's abundant life for our sisters and brothers, encouraging them to find another group of congregations with whom to be in relationship. On behalf of MC Saskatchewan we wish them well and invite you to join us in prayer that God will bless them as they continue to discern faithful discipleship.

MCC Connects: MCC deplores the violence and deeply mourns all lives lost in Israel and Palestine as conflict escalated to new levels in the region last week. MCC remains committed to a just peace for all, and we invite you to join us in praying for an end to the violence. MCC is planning an emergency response to the current crisis with existing partners. Our response will focus on the humanitarian needs in Gaza, given the vulnerability of the population and lack of resources available to families. MCC's work will build on previous responses to the ongoing conflict, including the distribution of food and bedding, and plans to offer trauma healing support and housing reconstruction in the future. Donate online at mcc.org/Palestine-Israel

MCC's annual Buckets of Thanks is coming up! Consider helping cover the cost of sending 2000 relief kits overseas this year and/or send a group from your church to help pack relief kits. Each kit costs \$58 and helps families who have been displaced by disaster or war. For more information, please visit: <https://mcc.org/get-involved/fundraiser/buckets>

MCC's annual online Quilt Sale is coming up in November, and we are looking for donations of new and handmade quilts. If you or someone you know would like to donate a quilt, please contact the office at 306-665-2555 or email Karla at karlakoehn@mccsk.ca for more information.

CMU Connects: CMU Discover Day – Full- or half-day options available on October 20. Prospective students tour the CMU campus, visit a class, meet professors and current students, ask questions and have lunch and treats on us! Visit cmu.ca/experience.

J.J. Thiessen Lecture – Hear Dr. Willie James Jennings of Yale Divinity School present his talk entitled, Gathering the pieces that remain: Weaving life together from the fragments of faith, race, and land. October 27 at 7:00 PM in Marpeck Commons or via livestream. Visit cmu.ca/jjt for details and livestream.

A Time of Reckoning: Telling the CMU Story – Join a two-day symposium on October 27 and 28. Featuring short reflections and dialogue with CMU faculty, alumni, and church voices, participants will investigate what CMU is today and where it's going in light of its mission. More details and free registration at cmu.ca/timeofreckoning.

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International Witness Sunday, October 15, 2023

Worship Service

10:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Our God reigns

Call to Worship

Prayer

Mission Moment

Offering / I love to tell the story

HWB #398

Mission Moment

Children's Item – Jesus, Loves the Little Children (Sunday School ages 3-12)

Scripture: Matthew 12:46-50

Meditation

Take my life

HWB #389

Congregational Prayer

Guide my feet

HWB #546

Benediction

Meditation – Joanne DeJong

Sound – Ivan Bartel

Ushers – Myrven Kline, Amy Wildeman

Worship & Song Leader – Donna Friesen

Visuals – Tami-Lynn Lehr