

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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

LAST SUNDAY

Offering – Budget \$1470.00 Non-Budget \$760.00 Attendance – 56

NEXT SUNDAY Family Church

Worship Leader – Lisa Martens Bartel

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

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Sunday, November 5

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

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- We are pleased that Lisa Martens Bartel has been affirmed by a unanimous vote to be our ½ time pastor and wish her God's blessing as she continues to serve our congregation.
- Our sympathy is extended to Maurice and Amy Wildeman and family on the recent passing of Maurice's brother, Charles Wildeman.
- MC Sask would like to have a definite response to the request to host the AGM March 8 & 9, 2024 by Oct. 31, so we will have a brief meeting after worship on **October 29** to decide. If you would like more information on what is involved, please contact the office as we have records of what we did when we hosted the 2009 conference.
- Job opportunity for part-time Volunteer Coordinator at Lanigan Gift & Thrift. See https://mccglobal.my.salesforce-sites.com/recruit/fRecruit__ApplyJob?vacancyNo=VN3564 for more information. Applications close date is **Nov. 4th**.
- 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:

Wednesday, October 25

8:00 p.m. ET – Canadian Menn. presents “Life and Death Matters: Exploring Medical Assistance in Dying,” an online discussion. Join Aaron Epp and guests Lisa Heinrichs and Rhonda Wiebe as they discuss end-of-life care, current legislation and faith. Register today at: www.canadianmennonite.org/events

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 Corporation Meeting. We invite the extended RJC community to join us for our Annual Corporation Meeting held prior to our Fundraising Dinner in the RJC High School Chapel. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. for RJC's Annual Fundraising Dinner: “2023 German-English Academy Awards”. 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. Call (306) 232-4222 or visit rjc.sk.ca to reserve your spot. Space is limited.

Sunday, October 29

7:00 p.m. – Theatre of the Beat Presents: “I Love You and It Hurts” at Wildwood Menn., Saskatoon. Admission by Donation.

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's 5th Annual Peace Conference “Peace by Peace: International and Local Peacebuilding” at Wildwood Menn., Saskatoon. Explore the history and spirituality of peacebuilding, current responses to situations of conflict in Sask. and around the world, as well as be equipped with practices of peace. Speakers include Esther Epp-Tiessen on Anabaptist-Menn. peace theology, Linda Herr, James Wheeler, and Liz Driver on pacifist resistance in Ukraine and the Middle East Region, as well as several local

community partners. See mcc.org for more information. To register, please visit <https://mcc.org/events/peace-peace-international-and-local-peacebuilding>.

Sunday, November 5

2:00 p.m. – Afternoon of Great Songs from 50's to the 90's, With Colleen Carr and friend at Lanigan Knox United Church. Tickets \$15.00 can be purchased at the door, from United Church Members or call Barb at 365-2521. See poster for more information.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

No one is more disadvantaged by this escalating situation than the civilians who just wish to live a normal life without fearing for their lives and livelihoods. As followers of the Prince of peace, as people who do not put trust in earthly rulers, we refuse to take sides with political interests, but mourn with all who suffer. We ask churches and individuals to pray that the violence will end and that conciliation can begin.

- Henk Stenvers, Mennonite World Conference president

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 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: 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.

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

MCC Sunday, October 22, 2023

Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Prayer

Offering

Packing MCC Kits

Let the children come to me (Sunday School for ages 3-12)

Sharing

Prayer and blessing over supplies

Benediction

Sharing – Karla Koehn (Zambia), Heidi Weber (thrift and/or Learning Tour)

Worship Leader – Jim Ewert

Sound – Ivan Bartel

Visuals – Tami-Lynn Lehr

Ushers – Carolyn Bartel, Ben Martens Bartel

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