

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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LAST SUNDAY March 24, 2024

Budget – \$1590.00 Non-Budget – \$60.00 Attendance – 44

NEXT SUNDAY April 7, 2024

Meditation – Rick Guenther Worship Leader – Irene Bartel

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Sunday, April 14

10:00 a.m. – We will celebrate the birth of Eliza Rose Toporchak with a child dedication during the morning worship. Remember to support Kyle, Vicky and family in your prayers.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- Harold Regier and Edith Fransen have requested to have dual membership in North Star and Nutana Park Mennonite Church, understanding that they will be worshipping and being part of the Nutana Park community and congregation. They will be received as members on Sunday, April 7. We wish them God's blessing as they join with a new church family.
- You are welcome to join Lisa and others for a time of quiet reflection and prayer for our church at St. Peter's Abbey in Muenster on April 22-23. Come for a few hours or overnight. If you would like overnight or meal accommodations, please let Lisa know asap so she can make arrangements.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Saturday, April 6

6:00 p.m. – Shekinah Retreat Centre and Carmen Corner Meats are "Puttin on the Ribz '24". For more information and to purchase tickets see shekinahretreatcentre.org or call (306) 945-4929.

Saturday, April 20

7:00 p.m. – Mega Menno Party with the Poovongs! At Mount Royal Mennonite Church, Saskatoon.

Friday, May 17-Sunday, May 19

Mega Menno Retreat 2.0 at Shekinah.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Sask Connects: For highlights, pictures and documents from the 2024 MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions visit <https://mcsask.ca/event/8602>

MC Canada Connects: Mennonite Church Canada is urgently appealing for relief funds for Meserete Kristos Church (MKC) in Ethiopia. MKC leaders and adherents have lost their lives in the crossfire of a violent tribal conflict that began in the western region of Ethiopia in 2018. Civil war, drought and continuing violence have led to severe hardship for MKC congregations and leaders in the area. Please consider donating to help them:
<https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/international-witness/MKC-relief>

MCC Connects: Easter wishes to you and your congregation from the staff and board members of MCC Saskatchewan. Christ is risen!

As part of the Climate Action for Peace campaign, MCC has put together a free calendar of climate actions you can take each day in the month of April. Visit this link for actions, prayers, and other activities that can help address climate change: <https://mcc.org/what-we-do/initiatives/climate-change/climate-action-peace/get-involved/month-climate-action-peace>

Save the date! MCC's annual Relief Sale Festival will be held on **Saturday, June 15** at Forest Grove Community Church in Saskatoon. Stay tuned for more information and visit the website at this link:
<https://www.mccskreliefsale.com/>

Attention gardeners! Do you start your plants from seed? If yes, then this message is for you - we are bringing the plant sale back to the MCC Relief Sale Festival and would love for you to help us out by donating bedding plants, vegetable plants, shrubs, house plants or any other plants you love. Plant a few extra seeds, donate them to MCC and make a difference. If you are interested in partnering with us in this way, please contact Phyllis Goertz at p.goertz@sasktel.net or call the office at 306-665-2555. Keep an eye on our website mccskreliefsale.com for more updates.

CMU Connects: Germinating Conversations: Sustainable Food Production – CMU invites you to join Dr. Mario Tenuta and three farmer respondents in a conversation on soil, fertilizer, greenhouse gases, and climate change on Friday, April 5 at 7:00 PM in CMU's Great Hall and online. Presented by CMU, MCC, Foodgrains Bank, and A Rocha Canada. Visit cmu.ca/events.

Let's Get Dirty: The Lowdown on Earth's Fabric in your own Yard – a Face2Face panel discussion on Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00 PM at CMU and via livestream. Hear from scientists, researchers, and farmers about the untapped potential that's in your very own yard. Visit cmu.ca/face2face.

Full-Time (Permanent) Employment Opportunity – CMU invites inquiries and applications for a Residence Director (full-time, salaried with benefits). Visit cmu.ca/employment for details on this and other employment opportunities.

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Sunday, March 31, 2024

Resurrection Sunday Worship Service

10:00 a.m.

Welcome/Announcements

Opening Prayer

Gathering Song

Call to Worship (opposite page)

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain HWB #265

Cross and Flower Ritual

Prayer of Rejoicing

Leader: Risen Jesus, you make all things new.

People: You call us by name to come to you.

Leader: You come preaching peace and forgiving sins.

People: You prepare a feast for us and wipe away all tears.

All: You bring life everlasting. We rejoice in your salvation, Lord of all!

Star of the morning STS #91

Children's Time (**No Sunday School** for the children)

Offering

Scripture: Isaiah 25:6–9; John 20:1–18

Meditation: "Christ Among Us"

Lift your glad voices HWB #275

Congregational prayer

Sing with all the saints in glory STS #92

Benediction

Meditation – Lisa Martens Bartel

Song Leader – John Bartel

Visuals – Jacob Martens Bartel

Ushers – Myrven Kline, Amy Wildeman

Worship Leader – Jim Ewert

Pianist – Chris Bergen

Sound – Ivan Bartel

Call to Worship

Leader: When it is still dark, we come seeking Jesus.

People: The risen Christ is here among us!

Leader: The stone has been rolled away, walls torn down.

People: The risen Christ is here among us!

Leader: The burial cloth removed, his body transformed.

People: The risen Christ is here among us!

Leader: Mary Magdalene, Simon Peter, and John see and believe.

All: We find the risen Christ among us who has made all things new!

The tomb is empty, the way of Love has prevailed!

Leader: Peace be with you!

People: Peace be with you!