

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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LAST SUNDAY August 24, 2025

Budget - \$970.00 Attendance – 42

THIS SUNDAY August 31, 2025

Potluck Brunch service. Everyone welcome.
Please remember to bring your own dishes.

NEXT SUNDAY September 7, 2025

Meditation – Lisa Martens Bartel Worship Leader – Jim Ewert

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Sunday, September 7

10:00 a.m. – Sunday School begins for ages 3-12. Teachers needed.
Please contact Mary Jean ASAP if you are willing to help in guiding our children in their faith journey.

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Sunday, September 14

10:00 a.m. – Jacquie Block (Foodgrains Bank) will be our guest speaker.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- 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, sound, visuals, etc. and email the office with the dates that you are available.
- NSMC Care Groups offer mutual support and care to each other. These have enriched the life and community of this congregation. These groups aim to meet monthly in each other's homes to share their lives, concerns, joys and faith with each other over coffee or food. Current groups will continue for the coming year but if you are currently not in a group and would like to join one, please let Lisa know this week.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Wednesday, September 10

7:00 p.m. – RJC Opening Program. Join us to celebrate the start of a new school year in the RJC Auditorium for an evening of music and reflections, featuring performances and sharing from RJC students, staff and community members. Admission by donation. A live-stream link available on our website.

Wednesday, September 24

6:30-9 p.m. – MCC Saskatchewan Annual General Meeting. This meeting will be hosted over Zoom to accommodate participation from across the province. **We will be looking for delegates.** You may register for the AGM, as a guest or church delegate, by calling the MCC office at 306-665-2555 or by email to saskoffice@mccsk.ca. We will celebrate the past year of MCC ministry in SK and hear stories from Janet Plenert about the breadth of Anabaptism across the world after 500 years and how MCC and Mennonite World Conference are able to witness together to God's love for all.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Canada Connects: Can. Menn. magazine is hiring a half-time correspondent to cover BC, AB, SK and MB. Applications are due by **September 1**. Spread the word. Details at canadianmennonite.org/jobs.

The new Anabaptist Community Bible app is now live and available to download for both Apple and Android devices. Thanks to the generous support of donors who made the suite of Anabaptism at 500 resources possible, the app is FREE for users. Download the free app today!

MCC Connects: In its 8th season, Grow Hope Saskatchewan is helping to support the work of MCC and the Canadian Foodgrains Bank to provide emergency food supplies and long-term food security. Thanks to your generosity, 40 acres have already been sponsored through MCC this year, but we still need your support. To help sponsor the remaining acres, and to read a blog post with field updates from some Grow Hope farmers across Saskatchewan, visit: <https://www.growhopesk.ca/blog/summer-field-updates>.

CMU Connects: CMU at 25 – You are invited to a special celebration of CMU's 25th anniversary on **Friday, September 19** at 7:00 PM in Marpeck Commons (and live streamed). Visit cmu.ca/25 for more information.

Fall at CMU – CMU's annual alumni and community gathering takes place **Saturday, September 20** from 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Highlights include 30+ craft and food vendors, food trucks, activities and the Bubbleman for children, artist workshops, live music, reunions, an evening Song Feast and the MennoCross cyclocross race. Visit cmu.ca/fall for more information.

Xplore – CMU's Xplore extended education program investigates dimensions of the Christian faith, our world, and life in it—all without assignments or exams! Consider taking a course on depolarization, Anabaptists at 500, understanding Roman Catholicism, the book of Danie or Ruth and more. Courses begin **September 23**. Churches may consider hosting an Xplore watch party with people from your community. For course information and to register visit cmu.ca/xplore.