

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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LAST SUNDAY October 12, 2025

Budget – \$500.00 Attendance – 38

NEXT SUNDAY October 26, 2025

International Witness Video Worship Leader – Donna Friesen

TODAY: UPDATE: **Maggie said the road was still too muddy after the snow, so we will have to postpone the visit. Stay tuned**. We are invited to visit the land at Little Manitou Lake where Maggie BlueWaters and the Food Forest & Learning Co-op have purchased land to use for a space of healing and health for Indigenous people. We will bring the benches that we made this summer. Maggie wants to share some updates about the project. Anyone interested in going, please let Lisa know.

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Monday, October 20

10:00 a.m. – Funeral Group Convenors meeting at church.

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Sunday, November 2

2:00 p.m. – Drake Library invites you to an afternoon of music from the 60's performed by Brian Grest, Walter Bushman and Nathan Gregg at the Drake Community Centre. Admission by donation. See poster for details.

Sunday, November 16

3:00 p.m. – A Service of Ordination for Lisa. Ordination is a joint act of the congregation, the area conference, and the denomination, which call and appoint a member to ongoing leadership ministry in the life and mission of the church.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Friday October 24

7:00 p.m. – Knox United, Lanigan Harvest Fest Fund Raiser featuring the musical group 'Horse's Mouth' from Humboldt. Tickets \$20.00/person advance or \$25.00 at the door. Details on poster in Educ. Wing.

Saturday, October 25

5:00 p.m. – RJC AGM. in the RJC High School Chapel. The 2024-25 RJC Report Book will be available on our website here and audited financial statements are available upon request from executiveoffice@rjc.sk.ca.

5:00 p.m. – RJC's Annual Fundraising Dinner. Join us for a meaningful evening of food, community and celebration at RJC High School. This year's theme, A Place at the Table, invites us to reflect on the food that brings us together and the relationships that are built around it. Featuring tasting tables, a cooking demonstration, dinner, live music, silent auction and a 50/50 draw. Tickets are \$25/person or \$200/table. Call (306) 232-4222 or email development@rjc.sk.ca to reserve your spot. We hope to see you there!

Wednesday, October 29

9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. – RJC Spend-A-Day. Prospective students in Grades 7–11 are invited to experience a day in the life at RJC! Shadow a current student, attend chapel, enjoy a meal in our dining hall, and explore music, sports, and dorm life. Meet teachers, connect with future classmates, and discover why RJC is a vibrant, welcoming community. Come spend the day with us and see what we have to offer! Please register at rjc.sk.ca/spendaday.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Sask Connects: November 10-14: CMU and MC Sask present History and Identity: From Reformation to Global Movement, a week-long intensive course in Saskatoon. In this course, students will survey the development of the Anabaptist-Mennonite tradition from its medieval origins through its transformation into a global movement. We will trace the development of Mennonite identity and theology over the last 500 years, paying particular attention to the ways that history can be a source for theological discernment. Available as a credit course or a personal enrichment course Details and registration available at www.mcsask.ca under coming events.

MC Canada Connects: The new Anabaptist Community Bible app is now live and available to download FREE for both Apple and Android devices.

MCC Connects: MCC's 7th Annual Peace Conference, Walking the Long Path: How to Build Peace Sustainably will be on **Saturday, November 1** at First Mennonite Church in Saskatoon. If you are working to make your community better, you are a peacebuilder! We will explore being peacebuilders grounded in hope and inspired to action amidst turbulent times. Speakers include Gareth Brandt, Heather Peters, as well as several church and community partners. For more information and to register, visit mcc.org/events/mcc-saskatchewan-peace-conference-2025

MCC is hiring a Senior Accountant! Are you passionate about not-for-profit accounting and ready to join a fabulous team in Saskatoon? Put your skills to work for something bigger: supporting relief, development, and peace here at home and around the world. We're looking for someone who's detail oriented, solves complex problems, loves a good spreadsheet, and wants their work to make a real impact. Apply today at mcc.org/careers

CMU Connects: 2025 J.J. Thiessen Lecture Series: A Sacred Way of Life: Theology as a Guide to Spirituality – CMU invites you to hear Dr. Kevin Hector from U of Chicago on **October 21-22** at 11:00 AM and 7:00 PM on October 21 and at 11:00 AM on October 22 in the CMU Chapel. The lectures will explore spirituality through three forms of sacredness—transcendent value, beauty, and power— and examine how religion can play a crucial role in helping us hold these together. All lectures free and open to all. More information and recordings at cmu.ca/jjt.

CommonWord Book Launch: Nothing Will Save Us – **Thursday, Oct. 23** at 7:00 p.m. Join us for an evening with author, pastor, and theologian David Driedger, in conversation with Jane Barter and John Samson Fellows. Together they will explore the provocative question: The Bible tells us that Jesus 'made himself nothing' when he came into the world. So, will nothing save us? More information and livestream at commonword.ca/go/4272.

CMU Discover Day – Join us for the full day or the afternoon of **October 24** to discover what it is like to be a CMU student. Tour the CMU campus, attend a sample lecture, meet professors and current students, and have lunch and treats on us! For more information and to register, visit cmu.ca/discover-days.

CommonWord/CMU Press Book Launch: Wearing a Broken Indigene Heart on the Sleeve of Christian Mission – Join us on **November 5** at 7:00 PM for an evening with author and former Moderator of the United Church of Canada, Carmen Lansdowne. Together, we explore the question, "If Indigenous hearts are broken by Christianity, what is it in Christian theology that is life giving at all?" More information and livestream at commonword.ca/go/4284.

CMU Employment Opportunities – CMU invites inquiries and applications for a Practicum Coordinator and Program Support position as well as a Mini U Coordinator role in the Athletics Department. Visit cmu.ca/employment for information on these opportunities.

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Sunday, October 19, 2025
Worship Service **10:00 a.m.**

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship & Prayer

Come, Thou Fount VT #563
I Know Not Why God's Wondrous Grace VT #590

Song of the Week – What a Friend We Have in Jesus – Betty Friesen

Offertory Prayer/Offering

Come On, Children, to the Gospel Feast VT #511
(Sunday School for children age 3-12)

Lord, I Am Fondly, Earnestly Longing VT #555

Scripture: Jonah 1: 1-16

Meditation: "Jonah on a Journey of Grace"

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy VT #156

Congregational Prayer

The Lord Lift You Up VT #832

Benediction

Meditation – Lisa Martens Bartel
Song Leader – Leona Ewert
Sound – Ben Martens Bartel
Ushers – Amanda Keeling, Amy Wildeman
Worship Leader – Irene Bartel
Pianist – Heather Kroeker
Visuals – Tami-Lynn Lehr