

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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LAST SUNDAY March 29, 2026

Budget – \$1930.00 Non-Budget – \$520.00 Attendance – 65

NEXT SUNDAY April 12, 2026

Meditation – Dan Graber Worship Leader – Floyd Bartel

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Friday, April 10

1:30 p.m. – Memorial service for George Fast at North Star.

Saturday, April 11

7:00 p.m. – Palestinian Land Exercise at North Star.

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Sunday, April 19

10:00 a.m. – We have been invited to attend the PLCF 9th Anniversary Celebration at the Community Centre. There will not be a service at North Star that morning.

Monday, April 20

7:30 p.m. – NSMC Board meeting.

Tuesday, April 21

12:15 p.m. – Koinonia meet at church to visit a Hutterite colony. Contact Denise for more information.

Saturday, April 25

4:00-7:00 p.m. – Next MegaMenno Event is Menno Run at North Star. Bring \$5 for pizza supper. Come prepared to play outside. Drake yards needed for location of clues. If you are willing to have kids run through your front yard to find a clue, or want to host the final destination & pizza party for 20 youth, please let Lisa know.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- We are looking for a volunteer to replace Ben Martens Bartel as usher as he often has conflicting duties on sound or visuals. Please contact the Community Life committee or the office if you are interested.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Friday, April 24

9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. – RJC Spend-A-Day for prospective students in Grades 7–11 to experience a day in the life at RJC! You'll 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 a day with us and see what we have to offer! Visit rjc.sk.ca/spend-a-day to register.

Friday, April 25

5:30 p.m. – Puttin' on the Ribz 2026 at Shekinah Retreat Centre Timber Lodge. Shekinah Annual Fundraiser in partnership with Carmen Corner Meats. Join us for an evening of gourmet ribs dinner, and live entertainment. Tickets are \$75 per person, or \$550 for a table of eight. All tickets must be purchased in advance. Reach out to us at 306-945-4929 or office@shekinahretreatcentre.org for more information. Click the link below or visit the website to purchase tickets. <https://bit.ly/4sEWb4C>

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Sask Connects: Shekinah Summer Camp registration is now open! Go to <https://bit.ly/4cjsBMC> to register or visit our website for more details.

MCC Connects: As we celebrate the hope of the resurrection, MCC Saskatchewan wishes you and your congregation a blessed Easter. Christ is risen, indeed!

Starting April 8, MCC will be running our annual Conflict Transformation Webinar Series over Zoom on Wednesdays from 12-1 pm. As faithful followers of Christ, we are called to build right relationships here in our own contexts, as well as around the world. Join us as we learn from MCC's Peaceful Practices, a curriculum designed for congregations to build basic skills of healthy conflict transformation and dialogue. Registration is \$50 and subsidies are available. For more information and to register, visit: www.cognitofrms.com/MennoniteCentralCommittee2/ConflictTransformationWebinarSeries2026

MCC Saskatchewan is partnering with Sagesse in supporting people who have experienced abuse in intimate relationships. We are looking for volunteer facilitators for peer support groups, who are interested in supporting women and committed to upholding dignity and peace for all. A two-day online training is provided and multiple options are offered for facilitation to accommodate people from across the province. For more details of this peacebuilding work, contact heatherpeters@mccsk.ca

The MCC Saskatchewan Board has openings for new members. If you are interested in governance work with MCC or would like to nominate someone, please email SaskOffice@mccsk.ca or call 306-665-2555 for an information packet.

MCC's annual Relief Sale Festival will be held on **Saturday, June 13**. MCC is looking for volunteers to serve in lead positions at this year's Relief Sale Festival at Forest Grove Community Church in Saskatoon. These opportunities include leading set up, clean up, volunteer care, the lemonade stand, or roll kuchen preparation. If interested, please call the MCC Centre at 306-665-2555 or email karlakoehn@mccsk.ca at Forest Grove Community Church in Saskatoon from 10:30 am - 2:30 p.m.

Join the My Coins Count fun! Each year, spare change collected by churches adds up and supports MCC projects around the world. This year, donations from My Coins Count will go towards education projects and can be brought to MCC's Relief Sale Festival in June. Visit this link for stories, photos, and other resources to share with your congregation: <https://mcc.org/get-involved/fundraiser/my-coins-count>

CMU Connects: Spring at CMU – All are invited to Spring at CMU on **Friday, April 24** at 7:00 PM in the Laudamus Auditorium. Attend in person or via livestream to hear CMU choirs and graduate student reflections. Reception to follow and opportunity to contribute to a freewill offering in support of CMU. Visit cmu.ca/springatcmu for more information and for the livestream.

CMU Employment Opportunities – CMU invites inquiries and applications for a Sessional Instructor position in Business, Music and Conflict Resolution Studies. Other opportunities include a renewable contract position for Head Coach, Women's Basketball, and a full-time Custodian position. Visit cmu.ca/employment for more information.

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH
Sunday, April 5, 2026
Resurrection Sunday Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Halle, halle, hallelujah!
Thine is the glory

STJ #17
HWB #269

Call to Worship

One: Listen. Do you hear it?

All: The sound of joy. Laughter breaking in.

One: Listen! It sounds like harmony.

All: Angels singing.

One: Why are you weeping?

For the grief? For the beauty?

All: Jesus is risen!

One: Yes! And creation sings it.

Yesterday's tears linger, as they must,

All: but love is stronger than death.

One: Do you believe this?

Listen, Jesus is speaking your name.

All: Our names—each one.

One: Like music of the soul. Can you hear it?

All: It is the sound of resurrection.

One: Let us worship the Risen One!

Prayer

Offering/Song of the Week – Donna Friesen – The Old Rugged Cross

Come On, Children, to the Gospel Feast/Children's Time
(There will be NO Sunday School for Children today)

Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing VT #359

Scripture: John 20:1-18

Meditation: "Death and Resurrection"

Low in the grave he lay

HWB #273

Congregational prayer

We Will Follow

VT #566 (sing twice)

Benediction

Meditation – Lisa Martens Bartel Worship Leader – Jim Ewert
Song Leader – Leona Ewert Pianist – Heather Kroeker
Sound – Ivan Bartel Visuals – Donna Friesen
Ushers – Amanda Keeling, Amy Wildeman