

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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LAST SUNDAY, July 19, 2026

Budget – \$1130.00 Non-Budget - \$1075.00 Attendance – 35

NEXT SUNDAY August 2, 2026

10:00 a.m. – Third Summer Long Weekend Brunch Potluck.

Please remember to bring your own dishes.

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Monday, July 27-Friday, July 31

1:00-2:00 p.m. – Children ages 5-13 are invited to Five Day Club at the home of Floyd & Carolyn Bartel. Hear God's word, know Jesus, grow in Faith.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Tuesday, August 4

7:00 p.m. – Drake Library invites you to a Flower Arranging workshop with Kristen Bartel. Cost is \$35.00 for flowers. Limited spots so register by July 23 at (306 363-2101) or drake.library@wheatland.sk.ca

Wednesday, August 5

1:00-4:00 p.m. – RJC Grow the Game Football Camp. Youth entering Grades 5–10 are invited to stay active, build confidence, and learn the fundamentals of flag football at this exciting camp presented by the Saskatchewan Roughrider Foundation. The camp is FREE to attend. Register today at rjc.sk.ca/rjcridercamp

Thursday, August 6

10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. – Gardens for Good. Join MCC for a garden tour at the Buhler's Acreage in Osler, featuring great food and stories that explore how cultivating peace helps communities grow and thrive locally and around the world. The link to register: mcc.org/events/gardens-good-cultivating-peaceful-communities.

Wednesday, August 12-Friday, August 14

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. – RJC Summer Sports Camp. Youth entering Grades 5–8 are invited to join us for a three-day camp focused on skill development in soccer and volleyball. Cost is \$150 per athlete and includes a daily lunch and camp t-shirt. Family rates are available. Registration and information at rjc.sk.ca/sportscamp.

Saturday, September 12

7:00 p.m. – Simply Superb, the singing group from Superb Menn.Church, reunites for one night of music and stories at The Barn Playhouse. The concert supports Wonderland Theatre's 2027 season. Tickets are on sale at The Barn Playhouse website.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Sask Connects: RJC is still accepting applications for the 2026–27 school year! Applications are open for students entering Grades 9–12. Book a school tour or meeting, email admissions@rjc.sk.ca with your questions, or apply online at rjc.sk.ca/apply. NEW Grade 9 and 10 dormitory students are eligible for 50% off first-year dormitory fees.

Once again this fall MC Sask is offering a CMU course in Saskatoon. This year's course is Anabaptist Peace Theology and Gender Justice, and it will be taught by Susanne Guenther Loewen. The course will be on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm to 4:15 pm from **September 10th until December 3rd**, online and in-person at the MCC Centre. CMU students can register for this course now. For those interested in taking it for personal development, watch for the registration form on the MC Sask website soon.

Risk Taking and New Wine in New Wine Skins - Ingrid Thiessen

Many of our bible stories talk about people who took risks. Early adopters are such people. This inCERT tells of a few climate related early adopter stories including a link to the CBC program "What on Earth" which looks at fertilizer alternatives. Doyle Wiebe, a member of the Mennonite church, is trying one of those fertilizer options. <https://bit.ly/4xUzbBF>

Applications are now being accepted for the 2025 MC Sask Education Scholarship. Eligible schools and service programs include: RJC High School, Canadian Mennonite University, SALT (MCC), 3E Internship (Youth Farm Bible Camp), and more. Application deadline is **July 31, 2026**, visit www.mcsask.ca for application forms and full eligibility details. <https://mcsask.ca/res/pub/2026-Scholarship-Application.pdf>

MC Canada Connects: Canadian Mennonite Editor (1.0 FTE). Canadian Mennonite is seeking an Editor to lead the editorial vision and production of Canada's national Anabaptist publication. This role provides leadership for our print, digital and social content, working with staff, writers and contributors to produce thoughtful journalism and compelling stories that serve the diverse Mennonite community across Canada. If you're an experienced editor with strong leadership skills and a passion for faith-based journalism, we'd love to hear from you. For responsibilities, qualifications and application details: <https://canadianmennonite.org/canadian-mennonite-editor/>

MCC Connects: In its 9th 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 programs around the world. Each acre sponsored represents real, tangible support for families who need reliable access to food. Thanks to your generosity, 225 of the 505 acres have already been sponsored this year! To help sponsor the remaining acres, and to read stories from Saskatchewan farmers, visit: www.growhopesk.ca. MCC invites you to Gardens for Good: Cultivating Peaceful Communities, a garden party fundraiser at Floating Gardens in Osler. Join us on **Thursday, August 6** from 10:30 am - 1 pm for live music, refreshments, and stories of how compassion and generosity are building more peaceful communities in Saskatoon and rural Uganda. Admission is by donation, and limited spots are available. For more details and to RSVP, call the MCC Centre at (306) 665-2555 or visit: mcc.org/events/gardens-good-cultivating-peaceful-communities

Are you a young adult, or know a young adult, who is interested in exploring what it means to be an Anabaptist follower of Jesus in a complicated world? MCC's Seek program is a Christian discipleship program in Phnom Penh, Cambodia for young adults ages 18-20 that runs from January to June every year. All assignment-related costs are covered for this unique opportunity to live in community, dig deep into the word of God, and explore the richness of Cambodian culture. Applications are open until **August 3**. Learn more at: mcc.org/seek

MCC's School Kit Challenge is back! We invite you to help us pack 30,000 school kits by the end of August for children in areas of conflict or disaster, so they can receive the education they need to learn and grow. To learn more about this challenge, access a fun children's guide, and for details on being entered to win a pizza party for your School Kit packing group, visit: mcc.org/school-kit-challenge
As well, here is a short Youtube video about School Kits in Ethiopia to share: www.youtube.com/watch?v=cyP-4ZzOdjg

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH
Sunday, July 26, 2026
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Sanctuary
Create in Me

Call to Worship

Prayer

10,000 Reasons/Bless the Lord VT #111

Offering

There's Enough for All VT #757

Scripture: Psalm 103

Meditation: "Summer in the Psalms" video series – Psalm 103

Great is thy faithfulness HWB #327

Congregational prayer

There's a Wild Hope in the Wind VT #828

Benediction

Video – Josh Wallace
Worship Leader – Donna Friesen
Song Leader – Tami-Lynn Lehr
Accompanists – Worship Band
Sound – Steven Lehr
Visuals – Ben Martens Bartel
Ushers – Carolyn Bartel, Rose Graber