

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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Pastoral Office hours: Thursdays (10 a.m.-5 p.m.)

LAST SUNDAY, September 13, 2026

Budget – \$1520.00 Non-Budget – \$1600.00 Attendance – 43

NEXT SUNDAY, September 27, 2026

Meditation – Joel Mowchenko (Farmland Legacy)

Worship Leader – Alvie Martens

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Lisa's office hours for the next two weeks will be on Fridays instead of Thursdays so she will be in on September 18 & September 25.

Sunday, September 27

10:00 a.m. – Joel Mowchenko from Farmland Legacy will be bringing the morning worship.

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Sunday, October 25

10:00 a.m. – North Star 120th Anniversary Celebration Service and Dinner.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- Thank you for the prayers I received while I was in the hospital. Thanks for your support. – Lynda Wolfe
- There are sign-up sheets in the Educ. Wing for *Song of the Week* and *Coffee*. Please add your name when it works for you.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Wednesday, September 23

6:30-9:00 p.m. – MCC Saskatchewan Annual General Meeting hosted over Zoom to accommodate participation from across the province. You may register for the AGM, as a guest or church delegate, by visiting mcc.org/events/mcc-saskatchewan-agm, calling the MCC office at 306-665-2555, or emailing saskoffice@mccsk.ca. We will look back over the activities and financial realities of the 2025-2026 year in Saskatchewan and share glimpses of MCC's international work through Learning Tour glimpses from Cambodia, Kenya, Malawi, and Uganda. **We can register 2 delegates so if you are interested in participating, please contact the office.**

Friday, October 2 & Saturday, October 3

RJC Alumni & Friends Tournament: Volleyball & Soccer. Join us for a weekend of connecting through sport. Register a volleyball team or as an individual (\$25/player). Soccer takes place Oct. 3 at 9:00 a.m. (\$10/player); pre-registration is not required. Lunch will be available in the RJC dining hall on Saturday for \$15/person (10 & under free). To register or for more info, visit rjc.sk.ca/aft. We look forward to a fun weekend of friendly competition and connection!

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Sask Connects: Season of Creation Celebration: **Sun., Sept. 27**, 2:30pm MCSask CERT invite you to join an outdoor liturgy celebrating God's creation, on the Meewasin Trail in Saskatoon. Meet at the Pioneer Memorial Cairn, at the junction of Saskatchewan Crescent and Broadway Avenue (northeast corner). Come with suitable footwear for walking and clothed for the day's weather. The liturgy takes us through the Genesis 1 creation narrative, side-by-side with current scientific understandings, and will offer us a time for worship and wonder.

MCC Connects: MCC Saskatchewan's 8th annual Peace Conference, The Grass is Still Growing: Returning to the Spirit & Intent of Treaty, will be held on **Saturday, November 7** at Station 20 West in Saskatoon from 9-4:30. Through a special partnership with the Office of the Treaty Commissioner, we will take a close look into the original meaning and covenantal intentions of Treaty, and explore the implications of living as Treaty people in Saskatchewan today. For more information and to register, visit <https://mcc.org/events/2026-mcc-peace-conference>.

MCC is responding to the flash flooding and landslides in Nepal, assisting with rescue efforts and providing emergency relief alongside two local partners. We invite your prayers for the people of Nepal as they face uncertainty and extensive destruction to their communities and livelihoods. To donate towards emergency assistance and recovery, visit mcc.org/get-involved/giving/designations/nepal-flooding-response or call the MCC Centre at 306-665-2555.

CMU Connects: Xplore: Keep Thinking – Registration is now open for fall Xplore courses at CMU. Xplore offers courses that investigate the intersections of faith and life, all without any assignments or examinations. Learners of all ages are welcome to participate. Visit cmu.ca/community/xplore for more information.

CommonWord Book Launch – Another Leaf: A Refugee Story as Told by Ma They Yare – Join us **Fri., September 24** at 7:00 PM (CDT) for a conversation with author Marg Epp and Bwe Doh Soe, a Karen cultural and language facilitator, as they tell a first-hand account of refugee Ma They Yare's journey from war-torn Myanmar to Canada. Visit commonword.ca/go/4441 for details.

Taking Society Forward – The CMU Redekop School of Business and MEDA invite you to CMU on **Friday, October 2** at 7:00 PM to explore how entrepreneurship, leadership, and business build flourishing communities and shape future leaders. Hosted by Aaron Epp of the Winnipeg Free Press, with panelists Heidi Reimer-Epp, David Wiens, and Mike Friesen. Visit cmu.ca/programs/business/events for details and registration.

Face2Face at CMU | Walking the Labyrinth: Peace, Presence, and the Iona Way – Join Ruth Harvey of the Iona Community in Scotland on **Tuesday, October 6** at 7:00 PM for an intimate conversation, exploring the practices of peacebuilding, justice, and spiritual renewal. More information at cmu.ca/face2face.

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH
Sunday, September 20, 2026
Worship Service 10:00 a.m.

Welcome and Announcements

Come, Thou Fount VT #563
In the Bulb There is a Flower VT #670

Call to Worship

There is More Love Somewhere VT #804

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

Scripture: Luke 15:1-7

Teen Challenge Presentation

Soon and very soon HWB #611

Offering – If you wish to donate to Teen Challenge, please make your cheque to North Star and designate 'for Teen Challenge'. Cash donations will go to Teen Challenge.

Closing Prayer

Sent Forth by God's Blessing VT #812

Benediction

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