

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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

LAST SUNDAY, August 30, 2026

Budget – \$1615.00 Non-Budget – \$850.00 Attendance – 47

NEXT SUNDAY, September 13, 2026

Meditation – Lisa Martens Bartel Worship Leader – Irene Bartel

TODAY: 3:00 p.m. – Forest Church at Shekinah. As the church enters into the ecumenical season of praying for creation, what would it look like if all of creation was praying for the church? All are welcome!

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Tuesday, September 15

2:00 p.m. – Koinon meets at church. Please bring scissors and a small hot glue gun (if you have one) and glue. Also bring \$7.00 for craft supplies.

Saturday, September 19

4:00-7:00 p.m. – Join us in Drake at North Star Mennonite Church as we kick off another year of Mega Menno events. We are starting this year off with one of our favorites, Menno Run. The town-wide game of pretending to be fleeing Menno's while finding safe houses and avoiding the captors. Carpooling will be available and arranged with your local youth Pastors or leaders. Don't forget to bring \$5 for pizza. All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome to join in! Register online at <https://mcsask.ca/youthcomingevents>

Sunday, September 20

10:00 a.m. – Teen Challenge will be bringing the morning worship.

Sunday, September 27

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

Sunday, October 25

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

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.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Wednesday, September 9

7:00 p.m. – RJC Opening Program. Join us to celebrate the start of a new school year! You're invited to 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 option will be available on our website.

Saturday, September 19

10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. – Seeding an Economy of Life: Emerging Ideas for a Just Climate Transition for All in Saskatchewan. Join KAIROS Regina and partners for a day of imagination, creativity, and conversation. Explore practical, hope-filled tools for building a just transition beyond fossil fuel dependence. Lunch included. Free; donations welcome. Christ the King Parish, 3239 Garnet St, Regina and online. Register here: <https://secure.kairoscanada.org/civicism/event/register?id=456>

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.**

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Sask Connects: MC Sask is offering a CMU course in Saskatoon, *Anabaptist Peace Theology and Gender Justice*, and it will be taught by Susanne Guenther Loewen. Thurs. afternoons Sept. 10-Dec. 3, from 1:30-4:15 p.m., 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.

MC Sask's CERT (Climate Emergency Response Team) is sponsoring a TREE PLANTING event **September 19**. Tree seedlings which are native to this region will be harvested from local properties and transplanted into a river lot at Fish Creek. Please join us as we strive to care for creation through biodiversity, wildlife habitat and carbon capture. The day will begin at Seagar Wheeler farm east of Rosthern at 8:30 a.m. With freshly excavated miniature trees and a 45-minute trip to Fish Creek, we will transplant these trees. All are invited to share in a wiener roast before getting on with the day. Matthew Braun of Osler will lead us in this adventure. Call Cynthia at MCSask (306

249-4844) indicating your interest. Claire Ewert Fisher will follow up with details as they develop. (Updated)

MCC Connects: 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.

The MCCS Peace Conference on **November 7, 2026**, focusing on Treaty teachings in honour of the 150th anniversary of Treaty 6. More info. to follow.

CMU Connects: Face2Face at CMU: Beyond Boundaries: Science, Space, and the Art of Discovery – Join us at 600 Shaftesbury Blvd. on **September 11** at 7:00 p.m. for an inspiring evening with Dr. Roberta Bondar—Canada's first female astronaut, acclaimed scientist, neurologist, photographer, and environmental advocate, discussing science, space exploration, and art. Book signing and exhibition to follow at the MHC Gallery. Visit cmu.ca/face2face for more information.

CommonWord Book Event: Join Jodi Spargur and Adrian Jacobs for a discussion around reparations for the church and what it means to live as treaty people in Manitoba and across Canada. **Friday, September 17** at 7:00 PM (CDT), in person at Marpeck Commons and via livestream. More at <http://commonword.ca/go/4315>.

Face2Face at CMU: Money and the Cost of Living: Building Financial Confidence Together – Join us at Marpeck Commons on **September 18** at 7:00 p.m. for an evening of thoughtful dialogue on money and financial literacy. Hosted by CMU Vice-President Academic and Professor of Economics, Dr. Jerry Buckland. Panelists include Jesse Dollimont, Venaika Jean, and Joel Schlesinger. More information at cmu.ca/face2face.

Fall at CMU – CMU's annual alumni and community gathering takes place **Saturday, September 19** from 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM. Highlights include 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.

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.

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

Sunday, September 6, 2026 10:00 a.m.

Long Weekend Brunch Sunday.

Please remember to bring your own dishes.