

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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May 23, 2021
Pentecost Worship Service
9:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Gathering in the Spirit...

Welcome

L: Welcome! We are gathered here to celebrate the great promise!

P: Our hearts are ready to receive this good news.

L: Jesus asked all of his friends to live lives reflecting the love of God.
The Holy Spirit who we are studying today, will help you!

P: We are numbered among these friends!

L: Open your hearts today. Hear God's special word just for you!

P: Lord, help us to be ready to receive your word and to live in your love. AMEN.

Jesus calls us here to meet him

STJ #3

Prayer

Sharing the Good News...

Announcements

Offering Prayer

Holy Spirit, come with power (see back page) HWB #26

Scripture: Acts 2:14-47

Meditation: "The Promise of Pentecost Power Part II"

Responding with our Whole Hearts...

Spirit of the living God

HWB #349

Communion

Put peace into each other's hands

STJ #87

North Star Praises and Prayers

Going out to Serve...

The Lord lift you up

STJ #73

Benediction

Meditation – Dan Graber Worship Leader – Irene Bartel

Song Leader – John Bartel

Sound – Ivan Bartel Visuals – Kyle/Vicky Toporchak

Ushers – Vicky Toporchak, Emery Laskowski

LAST SUNDAY

Offering – \$2150.00

Attendance – (9:45) 18 (11:00) 29

NEXT SUNDAY

Meditation – Dan Graber

Worship Leader – Floyd Bartel

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR: *IMPORTANT DATES AT NSMC*

Tuesday, May 25

7:30 p.m. – We plan to have a congregational prayer meeting the evening before our interviews begin with Ryan Siemens, MC Sask. Please plan to attend. We do not plan to ask people to register at this time, so you can come with a last minute decision! This will be a worship format, but with a variety of prayer, hymns, readings and so on. The purpose of this time together is for us to prayerfully prepare for the interviews and to lift up our discernment process to God. And if you have not reserved a time for an in person interview or a phone or skype or Zoom interview, please do so. Thanks.

Wednesday, May 26-Friday, May 28

Ryan Siemens, conference pastor, will be here to listen to our responses to the questions from the NSMC Vision Renewal Proposal and any other information you may wish to share. Sign up today or contact the office to schedule an appointment with Ryan. If you prefer you can schedule a Zoom or telephone conversation or submit your responses in written form to the office.

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- Rejoice subscriptions are now due. Cost is \$45.00. Cheques should be made to North Star and marked 'for Rejoice' and placed in Mary Jean's mailbox by **May 30**.
- The Community Gift & Thrift Store is currently accepting applications until **June 7** for a full-time, term (July 5-Aug. 28) Shop Assistant, with funding via the Canada Summer Jobs program for someone between the ages of 15-30. Please visit <https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/openings/shop-assistant-lanigan-community-gift-thrift-csj> to view the full job description and apply. Contact Erica Baerwald at MCC Sask for further details 665-2555 or ericabaerwald@mccsk.ca
- The Community Gift & Thrift would like to encourage all who are able to volunteer some time at the thrift shop this summer! Bring along a friend or a grandchild or meet someone new. If you have two hours or two days a month, we welcome you all! We are taking extra measures to keep our volunteers safe, so please call ahead before volunteering. Talk to Heidi or Kristy to learn more.
- Mennonite Disaster Service is running a project this summer at West Bank Bible Camp, near Swift Current doing renovations on a house at the camp. The project begins **July 4** and runs for 6 weeks with 8-10 volunteers needed per week. Some accommodations available, as well as spots for RVs. If you would like more information or are interested in volunteering please contact Kelsey Friesen at the MDS office, email: kfriesen@mds.org, phone: 204-261-1274.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Saturday, May 29

15th Annual RJC Golf Classic Fundraiser at Valley Regional Park Golf Course, Rosthern. Registration information can be found at rjc.sk.ca/golf.

Sunday, May 30

7:00 p.m. – RJC Spring Showcase. Join us for our annual Spring event, showcasing RJC students in the music & arts program. Watch it on the RJC Youtube channel or visit rjc.sk.ca.

Wednesday, June 16

7:00 p.m. – Mega Menno Online Games Night on Gather. In the spirit of creating more opportunities to get together, we're happy to offer evenings for youth to connect with one another online, chat and catch up, and play some games. There will be a brief opening, and then it's game time! No registration required. Gather link: <https://gather.town/i/FZRKmJWa>. Contact Kirsten Hamm-Epp (youthminister@mcsask.ca) for more information.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Sask Connects: The Tabernacle at the Youth Farm Bible Camp will be open for a few weekends starting on May Long Weekend. The Tabernacle is a museum quality replica of the Old Testament tabernacle made straight from the details in Exodus, and it is the only one in Canada! It is a fun, family friendly way to learn more about the Old Testament and how it relates to the New Testament. Tickets need to be pre-purchased at www.yfbc.com. The petting zoo, jumping pillow, train ride and more will be open.

MCC Connects: The MCC Relief Sale and Auction is back this year in a new format! Events run from May 29 to June 12 and include a plant sale, silent online auction, drive through lunch (Vereniki, farmers sausage, cream gravy and rollkuchen!) and a virtual Saleabration evening! Details are available at <http://www.mccskreliefsale.com>

Summer classes are here! This class will provide peace skills with the goal of equipping participants for the courageous act of conflict transformation. This course is appropriate for anyone who would like to practice peace skills in order to make a difference in their families and communities. Register at <https://mcccanada.ca/conflict-transformation>

Holy Spirit, come with power

Holy Spirit, come with power, breathe into our aching night.
We expect you this glad hour, waiting for your strength and light.
We are fearful, we are ailing, we are weak and selfish too.
Break upon your congregation, give us vigor, life anew.

Holy Spirit, come with fire, burn us with your presence new.
Let us as one mighty choir sing our hymn of praise to you.
Burn away our wasted sadness and enflame us with your love.
Burst upon your congregation, give us gladness from above.