

NORTH STAR MENNONITE CHURCH

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Pastor's office hours: Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon

September 26, 2021

Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Gathering in the Spirit...

Welcome (STJ #124)

Come, let us all unite to sing HWB #12

Call to Worship

We hear the voice of God calling,

“Love your neighbor as yourself.”

We feel the Spirit moving among us,

moving us to acts of compassion and justice.

We know the love of Jesus.

We love because Christ first loved us.

Come, worship God together.

Come, let us serve our God, who calls us by name.

Prayer

Love divine, all loves excelling HWB #592

Confessing/Reconciling

All: Merciful God, we have not loved you with our whole heart, nor our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive what we have been, accept us as we are, and guide what we shall be.

(Silence)

Leader: Listen to God's words of compassion: I taught you to walk and lifted you like an infant to my cheek. How can I give you up? I am the Holy One in your midst, and I will not come in wrath.

Sharing the Good News...

Announcements

Let the children come to me (while children leave for Sunday School)

Offering Prayer

My Jesus, I love thee HWB #522

Scripture: Romans 13:8-10

Meditation: “Good Neighbours”

Responding with our Whole Hearts...

O Love that will not let me go HWB #577

North Star Praises and Prayers

Going out to Serve...

What a friend we have in Jesus HWB #573

Benediction

Meditation – Randy Klassen (MCC)

Song Leader – Leona Ewert

Sound – Kyle Toporchak

Ushers – Vicky Toporchak, Emery Laskowski

Worship Leader – Irene Bartel

Pianist – Chris Bergen

Visuals – Donna Friesen

LAST SUNDAY

Offering –\$860.00 Attendance – 49

NEXT SUNDAY

Meditation – Dan Graber

Worship Leader – Rose Graber

THIS WEEK AT NORTH STAR:

Monday September 27

7:00 p.m. – Lanigan and District Food bank Annual meeting will be held at Knox United Church, Lanigan. All are welcome.

COMING EVENTS AT NORTH STAR:

Sunday, October 10

10:30 a.m. – Thanksgiving Sunday. There will be no Adult or Children's Sunday School. Please have items for the Thanksgiving display in the church by Friday, October 8.

Saturday, October 23 & Sunday, October 24

Saturday 9:00 a.m.-12 noon – Session 1 of the Re-imagining process with Josh Wallace.

Sunday 11:00 a.m. – Josh will be guest speaker.

Saturday, November 6 & Sunday November 7

Saturday 9:00 a.m.-12 noon – Session 2 of the Re-imagining process with Josh Wallace.

Sunday 11:00 a.m. – Josh will be guest speaker (tentative)

NORTH STAR NOTES:

- The support of our founding Mennonite churches is incredibly important to the running of the Community Gift & Thrift! You are the heart and soul of the thrift shop and we need your continued support. The shop continues to be richly blessed with donations and we could use some extra volunteers. Consider donating your time, whether it's an hour, a day or a few days a month. Please contact Heidi or Kristy at 306-365-2122.

BEYOND NORTH STAR:

Friday, October 1-Saturday, October 2

Alumni & friends of RJC are invited to our annual volleyball & soccer Tournament of Memories. Check the RJC website for more information.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS

MC Sask Connects: September 30, 2021 is the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation. This day honours the lost children and Survivors of residential schools, their families and communities. Public commemoration of the tragic and painful history and ongoing impacts of residential schools is a vital component of the reconciliation process. The MC Sask office will be closed in recognition of this day.

The fall edition of our UPDATE is now available at <https://mcsask.ca/videos-updates>! Check out what's been happening and what to look forward to in MC Sask, MC Canada, and Mennonite World Conference.

MC Canada Connects: Gathering 2022 in Edmonton: We Declare: What We Have Seen and Heard is the theme for MC Canada's Gathering 2022 in Edmonton, July 29 to August 1. The webpage is now live: www.mennonitechurch.ca/gathering2022. Learn about our speakers and what you can expect for our next nationwide gathering in Treaty 6!

MCC Connects: In 1920 Mennonites in Canada and the U.S. formed Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) to aid famine-ravaged Mennonite communities in southern Russia (present-day Ukraine). Join a virtual centennial conference that presents papers that examine the past, present, and future of MCC. The papers reflect on the Mennonites' response to the biblical call to love one's neighbour through practical acts of service. The conference runs September 30 to October 2, 2021. Learn more: https://mennonitestudies.uwinnipeg.ca/events/mcc_at_100/

CMU Connects: Xplore: At the Intersection of Faith and Life, A 55-Plus Enrichment Program. Xplore offers courses that investigate dimensions of the Christian faith, our world, and life in it. All without any assignments or examinations! Xplore happens in a six-week block, with online courses offered Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings, beginning October 5. Join us! cmu.ca/xplore.