

**NUTANA PARK MENNONITE CHURCH
PASTORAL STAFF**

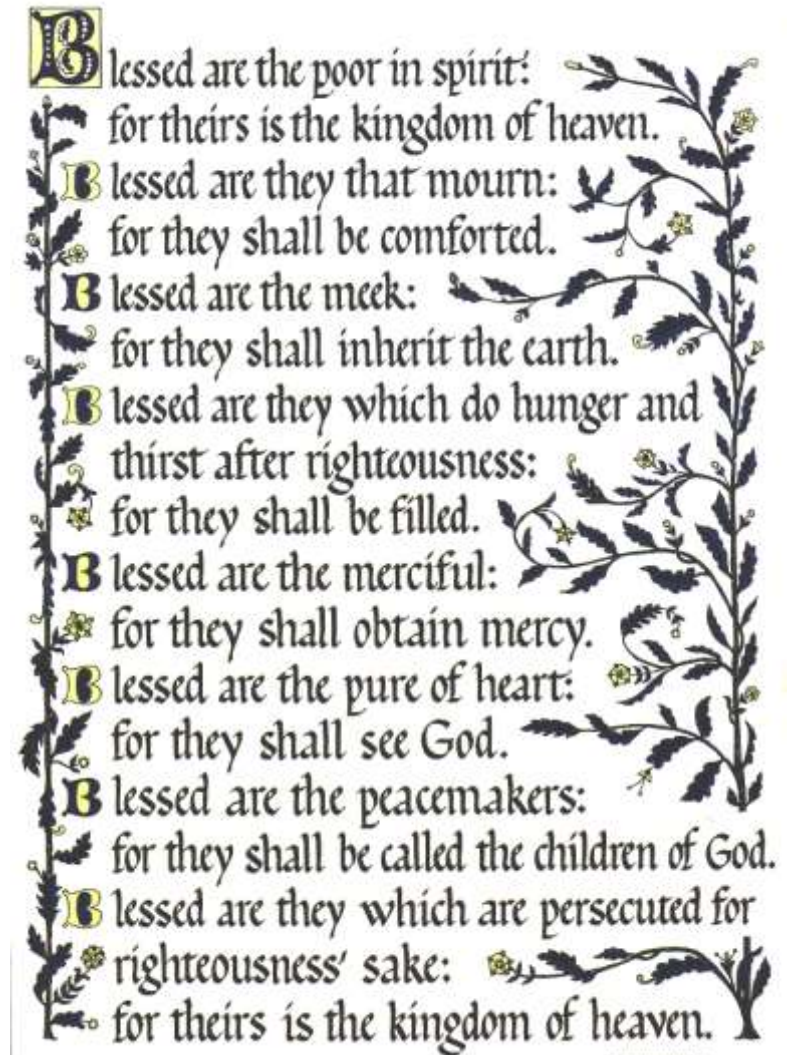
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Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory

August 4, 2019

Vol. LIV	10:00 a.m.	No. 31
Worship Leader: Brent Guenther Accompaniment: Joanne Ewert Greeters: Evelyn & Peter Epp Ushers: Joan & Bob Sawatzky ~~~~~		
Opening Hymn	Jesus, Stand Among Us	HWB No. 25
Welcome and Announcements		
Invocation		
Hymn	Softly and Tenderly	HWB No. 491
Lighting of the Peace Lamp		
Psalm Reading		Psalm 103
Offering and Offertory		
Joys & Concerns		
Congregational Prayer		
Hymn	There's A Wideness	HWB No. 145
Children's Time		
Scripture		Matthew 9:9-13 Matthew 12:1-8
Sermon	Learning Mercy	Patrick Preheim
"Blessed are the merciful, for they will obtain mercy"		
Hymn of Response	What Mercy And Divine Compassion	HWB No. 524
Spoken Benediction		
Sung Benediction	Move In Our Midst	HWB No. 418
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MATTHEW 5:3-10

## This Week

**Today 10:00 am Worship;** Patrick Preheim speaking.  
**Tuesday 10:00 am Women's Book Study.**  
**Sat. 10:00--7:00pm Spruce River Folk Festival** at the Spruce River farm (just north of PA) is a cultural event to raise awareness for landless First Nations bands in Saskatchewan. See posters.

## Coming Up

**Next Sun. 10:00 am Worship;** Susanne Guenther Loewen speaking.  
**August 18 Potluck following worship:** A-H, bring muffins, bagels, rolls, cheese, help clean-up. I-Z, bring muffins, bagels, rolls, fruit, help set-up.  
**Aug. 23, 24 9:00-5:00 Shekinah Work Day.** There is work for all skill levels. Please RSVP so we can feed you, but come anyway.  
**Aug. 25 10:30 am Shekinah's 40th Anniversary** at Shekinah Retreat Centre. Bring a lawn chair and spend the day! 10:30 am - outdoor church service, followed by lunch (by donation) and an afternoon of games and frivolity. Everyone welcome.  
**Aug. 25 1:30 pm All are invited to the Palliative Care Walk of Memories** to support those who have lost loved ones. Meet at the Band Shell at Kiwanis Memorial Park. See the poster in ed. wing.  
**Sept. 14 Shekinah Bike-Paddle-Hike-Athon.** Raise funds for Shekinah by biking from Saskatoon to Shekinah, paddling from Petrofka to Shekinah, or hiking the trails at Shekinah. Call Bert Klassen or [bertklassen.wfg@gmail.com](mailto:bertklassen.wfg@gmail.com).

Nutana Park Mennonite Church welcomes into fellowship and membership all persons who confess faith in Jesus Christ, without regard to their race, ethnic background, gender, age, sexual orientation, income, education, ability, and other factors that give rise to discrimination and marginalization.

## Announcements

**We are planning a Church Cleaning Bee on August 21. If you are able to help, please phone Lois Tiessen at 306-227-4743 or 306-374-8161. We will begin at 9:00 am. Coffee and snacks will be provided, please bring your own lunch.**

**From Canadian Mennonite:** Did you receive your June 24 issue of *Canadian Mennonite*? Some readers did not due to a problem with the mailing label. Please contact us at [office@canadianmennonite.org](mailto:office@canadianmennonite.org) or 1-800-378-2524 x 221. After June 24, the next print issue was July 22. Thank you for reading *Canadian Mennonite*.

**Great opportunity to foster reconciliation.** The final *Walking with our Sisters* Art Exhibit will happen at Batoche Aug. 15-18. This art installation is 1800 vamps (moccasin uppers) honoring Canada's Murdered and Missing Indigenous Women. To learn more go to the web page <https://m.facebook.com/WWOSBatoche2019/>.

**MC Sask: Praying for Each Other:** Pray for Camp Elim as they work to make their camp an even better place for campers to enjoy the space and explore their faith.

**Bethany Manor Assisted Living/Independent Living** – two suites are available for immediate occupancy. See the bulletin board for details and floor plans.

**MC Sask** is working together with CMU and Susanne Guenther Loewen to offer **Peace, Violence & the Atonement**, a graduate level course that is available for credit through CMU's Mdiv or M.A. Extension Program or for audit. To register, see <https://mcsask.ca/peace-violence-the-atonement-course/>. The course will take place on Thursday evenings at the MCC Building, 6:00pm to 8:45pm, beginning September 5.

**Ride for Refuge** is on October 5, 2019. Join friends and families across Canada to bike or walk and raise financial support for ministry around the world. Support a Mennonite Church Canada International Witness Worker. For more information, visit the MC Canada website at <http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/Ride2019>.

**Rosthern Junior College** would appreciate up to three volunteers per day to help with painting, flooring and furniture building in the dorms. Mel Siemens is coordinating the project and can be reached at 306-232-7147. Please bring a water bottle and a lunch.

**Food Bank (Blue Bin) Items: Breakfast cereal, Baked beans**

### Matthew 9:9-13

⁹As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. ¹⁰And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with him and his disciples. ¹¹When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹²But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. ¹³Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

### Matthew 12:1-8

¹ At that time Jesus went through the grainfields on the sabbath; his disciples were hungry, and they began to pluck heads of grain and to eat. ²When the Pharisees saw it, they said to him, "Look, your disciples are doing what is not lawful to do on the sabbath." ³He said to them, "Have you not read what David did when he and his companions were hungry? ⁴He entered the house of God and ate the bread of the Presence, which it was not lawful for him or his companions to eat, but only for the priests. ⁵Or have you not read in the law that on the sabbath the priests in the temple break the sabbath and yet are guiltless? ⁶I tell you, something greater than the temple is here. ⁷But if you had known what this means, 'I desire mercy and not sacrifice,' you would not have condemned the guiltless. ⁸For the Son of Man is lord of the sabbath."

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