

The Reopening Committee met last Wednesday afternoon to discuss some general guidelines for our NPMC community during the summer months. We think these protocols are both cautious and incremental, and we hope that it will make congregants feel comfortable as restrictions ease both inside and outside our church community. The following guidelines will take effect July 11, 2021:

1. Masks will be required for any indoor gatherings, with the exception of one-on-one visits, where masking will be preferred, but ultimately at the discretion of both parties who are meeting.
2. Congregational singing will be permitted at worship services.
3. Group sizes at indoor worship services and outdoor gatherings will mirror one another, with gathering limits remaining at 60 for July, and rising incrementally by 10 each week for the month of August.
4. Most of the physical barriers and restrictions in the sanctuary (including rope across the pews, arrows on the floor, and mandatory entrances/exits) will be removed. We will open up the education wing for use during and following worship services. We hope that these measures will provide people with more options for distancing.
5. Food will not be served nor organized inside the church. For outdoor gatherings, people are permitted to bring their own food for consumption or food can be served to individuals.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.
 Brent Guenther
 Chairperson, NPMC Board of Deacons

Coming Up This Week

Sunday, July 11 at 10:00 am: NPMC Worship on Livestream
Sunday, July 18 at 10:00 am: NPMC Worship on Livestream

Summer Hours
Worship Service will begin
at 10:00 am
July and August

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.



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Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory

July 11, 2021
10:00 am

In-Person and Live Stream Worship Service

Worship Leader: Audrey Kampen
 Accompanist: Susan Ens Funk
 Song Leader: Colin Ens Funk
 Ushers: Wally and Marg Krause

- Prelude
- Welcome and Announcements
- Treaty Acknowledgement
- Gathering Hymn **Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing** VT #7
- Lighting of the Peace Lamp
- Hymn **Bless the Arms that Comfort** VT #527
- Joys and Concerns
- Congregational Prayer
- Hymn **The Kingdom of God is Justice and Peace** VT #799
- Scripture Reading Amos 5: 21-24 and Luke 10: 38-42
- Children's Story: What is God's Name?
- Sermon **Spiritual Guides: Dorothee Soelle** Susanne
- Hymn of Response **How Clear is Our Vocation Lord** VT #547
- Offertory Prayer
- Sending Hymn **Je louerai l'Eternel** VT #131
- Benediction

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## Announcements

**MCC Connects:** The second season of MCC Saskatchewan's podcast "Reconcile. Everyday Conversations" now has a study guide to go along with your listening! This guide is for further reflection and discussion around reconciliation. Use it with a group of friends, a church group, a book club, or individually to dig deeper into your own perspective of reconciliation. Learn more: <https://mcccanada.ca/reconcile-everyday-conversations>

### **MCC Announcement:**

MCC Saskatchewan grieves, again, at the news from Cowessess First Nation, with the identification of 751 unmarked graves. We grieve with the families and communities affected by the losses. We grieve for the larger legacy of Indian Residential Schools, and we acknowledge our complicity in the work of IRSs. We grieve for the on-going harms and injustices against Indigenous people in this province and nation. We offer our prayers, and we reaffirm our commitment to work towards being respectful Treaty partners, allies, and neighbours in this difficult moment, and in the future as similar tragic stories unfold across this province and beyond.

**MC Sask Songfest of Thanks, Oct. 15-16, 2021, Rosthern Mennonite Church.** We continue to plan in hope and faith that we will be able to come together to give thanks and sing this fall, and are excited to announce **Duff Warkentin** as our Songfest Conductor and **Glenn Sawatzky** as accompanist. All Covid-19 regulations will be followed. Stay tuned to [www.mcsask.ca](http://www.mcsask.ca) for registration and further information in the fall. Contact Kirsten Hamm-Epp, [youthminister@mcsask.ca](mailto:youthminister@mcsask.ca), with any questions.

**\*\*Shekinah is excited to announce that our Cabins-By-The-Pond have been renovated and are ready to be rented!** Enjoy a mixture of double beds, day beds, and bunk beds. Use our brand new countertop convection ovens, coffee makers, fridges, hotplates, etc. Get access to 287 acres of beauty. Relax on our Edison-light-lit decks to wind down for the night. Perhaps best of all, enjoy in-cabin composting toilets. No more late night jaunts to the outhouse! Call or email the office for availability and pricing.

**\*\*Save the Date: Shekinah Move-A-Thon, September 18<sup>th</sup>.** Follow us on: **Facebook** @Shekinah Summer Camp, **Instagram** @Shekinah\_Camps, and our website [www.shekinah.ca](http://www.shekinah.ca) for more fun and exciting information to come! Poster available at <https://mcsask.ca/res/pub/Events/final-move-a-thon-poster.pdf>

**NPMC Students:** The deadline for Post Secondary Bursaries will be extended to July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. For a list of bursaries and the application form please check the website under Resources/Bursaries. Once completed, you can forward the application form to [npmc@npmc.net](mailto:npmc@npmc.net).

**Wildwood Mennonite Church invites applications for a half-time pastor!** The successful candidate will work closely with our current pastors and will focus their attention on the younger generations in our congregation - young adults, youth and young families! Learn more about us at <https://wildwoodmennonite.org/engage/hiring> and check out the job description here! We are very excited for this position and if you are too, please apply by the end of July. Ideal start date is fall 2021. Please email applications to Denise Martens [searchchair@wildwoodmennonite.org](mailto:searchchair@wildwoodmennonite.org) or to Ryan Siemens, MCSask Executive Minister [minister@mcsask.ca](mailto:minister@mcsask.ca).

### **Rosthern Junior College:**

**Employment Opportunity - Head Caretaker.** Full-time, permanent position. The Head Caretaker is responsible for providing a safe, clean environment in the school, dormitory and on campus; and for managing, ordering supplies and coordinating all aspects of school cleaning. View at [rjc.sk.ca/about/employment-opportunities](http://rjc.sk.ca/about/employment-opportunities). Send all resumes to the principal, Ryan Wood, at [ryan@rjc.sk.ca](mailto:ryan@rjc.sk.ca).

### **NPMC Staff Office Hours:**

Susanne is away from the office on Thursdays.  
Patrick is away from the office on Tuesdays and Thursdays.  
Gwen is in the office Monday – Friday from 1pm - 5 pm.

Susanne will be on holidays from July 12-25.

Rod Suderman, pastor at First Mennonite Church, is looking for a house-sitting opportunity (for himself) in Saskatoon from mid-August through to end of December, at which time he will move to join his spouse in BC. Would also welcome shorter periods of time within that time frame. If you have a possibility in mind, please contact Rod at [rodsuderman@gmail.com](mailto:rodsuderman@gmail.com) or at 306 514 2523.