



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

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Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory

July 4, 2021
10:00 am

In-Person and Live Stream Worship Service

Worship Leader: Patrick Preheim
Accompanist: Fern Stockdale Winder
Song Leader: Dean Stockdale
Ushers: Geraldine Balzer & Gordon Peters

Coming Up This Week

Sunday, July 4 at 10:00 am: NPMC Worship on Livestream – Note Time change
Sunday, July 11 at 10:00 am: NPMC Worship on Livestream

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.

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements
Gathering Hymn **Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah** VT #606
Lighting of the Peace Lamp: Canada Day Reflections
Children's Time: How to eat a hotdog Patrick
Scripture Reading Psalm 121 (read responsively)
Hymn **I To The Hills Will Lift My Eyes** HWB #169
Joys and Concerns
Congregational Prayer
Scripture Reading Genesis 28:10-17
Hymn **In Lonely Mountain Ways** VT #589
Reflection on Spiritual Guides Wally Krause
Hymn of Response **I Want Jesus To Walk With Me** VT #306
Benediction
Sending Hymn **Guide My Feet** VT #816

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## Announcements

Congratulations to all of our 2021 high school and post-secondary graduates! Their accomplishments are highlighted on the private side of the church website, under "Joys, Concerns, and Updates."

Many thanks to all of those who participated in my ordination service on June 27th, whether in the sanctuary or from home, and for the gifts, cards, and well-wishes from many of you. It's a blessing to be your co-pastor! - Rev. Dr. Susanne Guenther Loewen

### 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 Retreat Centre:

**\*\*July 4 -- Forest church at Shekinah at 3:00pm.** The first Sunday of every month: outdoor worship with music, scripture, community, and the opportunity to encounter God in the beauty of creation. See under 'news' at [shekinah.ca](http://shekinah.ca) or find the forest church facebook group for more info. All are welcome.

**\*\*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>

### New Church Office Administrator:

I am pleased to announce that Gwen Laughlin will be joining our team as our new Church Office Administrator commencing July 5, 2021. Gwen is currently employed on a half time basis as the Administrative Assistant at Mount Royal Mennonite Church. At this time, **Gwen will be working in NPMC's church office every afternoon (1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.) Monday to Friday.** Please join me in welcoming Gwen to our church family.

I would also like to thank Helen Siemens for agreeing to step back into her former role in this interim period. Helen's ongoing commitment to our church and her willingness to help us out for the last two months is greatly appreciated.

Brent Guenther  
Chairperson, NPMC Board of Deacons

**NPMC Students:** The deadline for Post Secondary Bursaries will be extended to July 30th, 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).