

NUTANA PARK MENNONITE CHURCH  
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**October 25, 2015**  
**Journey Through the Bible – Habakkuk and Zephaniah**

Vol. L **11:00 a.m.** No. 41

Worship Leader: Jared Regier  
Accompanists: Teresa Koop-Hunter, Sharon Klassen  
Song Leader: Jordan Wiens  
Greeters: Carolene & Wally Funk  
Ushers: Joan & Bob Sawatzky

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**We Gather**

Welcome, Greetings and Announcements  
Call to Worship  
Hymn

**God of Our Strength**  
**In Holy Reverence, Lord, We Come**

StJ No. 122  
HWB No. 36  
Choir

**We Pray**

Lighting of the Peace Lamp  
Joys and Concerns  
Congregational Prayer  
Hymn

**The Lord's My Shepherd**

StS No. 99

**We Hear the Word**

Scripture

Habakkuk 2:2-4  
Zephaniah 1:17-18  
Zephaniah 3:12-13  
Habakkuk 2:20

Children's Time/Song **God's Love is for Everybody**  
*Child care is provided for young children*

Offering and Offertory

Hymn **O God of Love, O Power of Peace**  
Sermon **Our Hope for End Times**

HWB No. 368  
Anita Retzlaff

**We Are Sent**

**On Jordan's Stormy Banks**

Choir

Spoken Benediction  
Hymn

**Peace Before Us**

StS No. 16

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*Our Hope for End Times*

### Spotlight on Community Life

Let's think about our days in this way: *The Time is Now*. If you are ever going to love me, Love me now, while I can know the sweet and tender feelings which from true affection flow. If you have tender thoughts of me, please tell me now. If you wait till I am sleeping, never to awaken, there will be death between us, and I won't hear you then. So, if you love me, even a little bit, let me know while I am living so I can treasure it.

### Spotlight on Refugees

The Saskatoon Refugee Coalition and the City of Saskatoon invite you to the **Refugees Welcome: From Compassion to Action** forum and information session on Tuesday, **November 10** at 7:00 pm at the Roxy Theatre. Doors open at 6:30 pm.

## This Week

<b>Today</b>	<b>9:00 am</b> Contemplative prayer in the sanctuary. <b>9:25 am</b> Choir rehearsal for all ages in the sanctuary. <b>9:45 am</b> Adult Ed: <i>What spiritual practices can I learn now?</i> <b>11:00 am</b> Worship; Anita Retzlaff speaking on the Books of Habakkuk and Zephaniah. Creative church activity today is interpretive dance.
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Noon</b> Care Group 1; visitors are invited to join us for lunch.
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>2:00 pm</b> Ecumenical Bible Study. <b>10:00 am</b> Women's Bible Study. <b>1:30 pm</b> Women's Coffee & Conversation time; lounge.
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b> Halloween Fun Night -- an intergenerational activity.
<b>Friday</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b> Mennonite Disaster Service Fundraiser at West Portal MB Church in Saskatoon.

## Coming Up

<b>Next Sun.</b>	<b>9:00 am</b> Contemplative prayer in the sanctuary. <b>9:25 am</b> Choir rehearsal for all ages in the sanctuary. <b>9:45 am</b> Adult Ed: <i>Who is my God? Where will the journey end?</i> <b>11:00 am</b> Worship; Anita Retzlaff speaking. <b>Noon</b> <b>Potluck</b> following the service: A-H, bring salad and dessert, help with clean-up; I-Z, bring sandwiches, help with set-up. <b>5:30 pm</b> <b>CHES Fundraising Dinner &amp; Silent Auction</b> -- to raise education funds for girls in Kenya and Tanzania, Africa. Music by Henri Loiselle, slideshow of Tanzania. Tickets from NPMC office or Mary Kruger at 306-221-8593.
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**Nov. 7 10 am--5 pm** **Mennonite Central Committee Sask Encounter & AGM** will be held at Parliament Community Church in Regina. **There is still time to register** -- phone Alison Jantz, Conference Deacon at 306-270-1532.

**Nov. 8 Noon** **Care Group 3.**  
**Nov. 14 7:00 pm** **Speaking Out: Expressions of Our Mental Health.** We all have mental health. Some of us struggle with it; some of us take it for granted. How can our faith and community help us walk together towards healing and wholeness? Join us at Wildwood Mennonite Church for an evening of intentional listening, worshipping, and praying together.

**Nov. 15** **Musical Afternoon at NPMC.** Details to follow.

**Nov. 21 10:00-3:00 pm** **Youth will babysit at church.**

**Nov. 27, 28, 29 7:00pm** **Theatre of the BEAT** presents *This Will Lead to Dancing*; Wildwood Mennonite Church. Admission by donation.

## Intergenerational Activity Nights

**November Theme – Sewing.** Participants may keep one project per night. The rest will be donated to community charities. Costs will be shared. You will need a sewing machine. We can help, if you need a machine. Children 10 and under must come with an adult. Possible nights are Wednesday or Thursday. The event will be on the same night each week. **Registration deadline is October 28 for the whole series. You may indicate if you need to skip a week.**

Week 1	Nov. 4-5	Toques and hats
Week 2	Nov. 11-12	Mitts and scarves
Week 3	Nov. 18-19	Baby receiving blankets
Week 4	Nov. 25-26	Stuffed toys

**“Creative Church” is an intergenerational, multisensory, participatory worship alternative to the formal sermon during the second half of our worship service. Anyone, ages 4 to 94 is invited to participate.**

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.

## God's Love Is For Everybody

### Chorus:

God's love is for everybody,  
Everyone around the world,  
Me and you and all God's children  
From across the street to around the world  
Across the street to around the world.

Abe & Sarah listened closely, this is what God said:  
"Go where I send you, keep walking straight ahead.  
I am going to bless you beyond your wildest dreams  
And I'll make of you a blessing for all earth's families."

Chorus

Jesus went to Nazareth and from the scroll he read:  
"The Spirit is upon me to bring good news," he said.  
"Freedom to the captives, to help the blind to see.  
I think I'll call disciples to share this job with me!"

Chorus

Paul the apostle wrote some letters to his friends.  
He said: "Do not be frightened, be faithful to the end.  
You are God's own temple and God's Spirit lives in you.  
Oh - and Aquilla and Priscilla said to say "Hello!" to you!"

Chorus

Lydia my neighbor lives just down the street from me,  
Settla in Botswana lives across the great big sea,  
Santi in Colombia, Keisuke in Japan,  
We are partners all together in God's great big wonderful plan!

Chorus

**Habakkuk 2:2-4**

Then the LORD answered me and said:  
 Write the vision;  
 make it plain on tablets,  
 so that a runner may read it.  
 For there is still a vision for the appointed time;  
 it speaks of the end, and does not lie.  
 If it seems to tarry, wait for it;  
 it will surely come, it will not delay.  
 Look at the proud!  
 Their spirit is not right in them,  
 but the righteous live by their faith.

**Zephaniah 1: 17-18**

I will bring such distress upon people  
 that they shall walk like the blind;  
 because they have sinned against the LORD,  
 their blood shall be poured out like dust,  
 and their flesh like dung.  
 Neither their silver nor their gold  
 will be able to save them  
 on the day of the LORD's wrath;  
 in the fire of his passion  
 the whole earth shall be consumed;  
 for a full, a terrible end  
 he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth.

**Zephaniah 3: 12-13**

For I will leave in the midst of you  
 a people humble and lowly.  
 They shall seek refuge in the name of the LORD—  
 the remnant of Israel;  
 they shall do no wrong  
 and utter no lies,  
 nor shall a deceitful tongue  
 be found in their mouths.  
 Then they will pasture and lie down,  
 and no one shall make them afraid.

**Habakkuk 2:20**

But the LORD is in his holy temple;  
 let all the earth keep silence before him!

**The new 2015 – 2016 Telephone Directories are in your mailboxes.**

**Ronald McDonald House Gift Wrap Program** needs volunteers to help wrap gifts at Midtown Plaza from November 27 to December 24. Sign up by contacting Marlene Froese at 306-668-4793 or [dmfroese@sasktel.net](mailto:dmfroese@sasktel.net).



**From Earthkeepers:** The SES Solar Co-operative is a solar electricity production co-op in which members purchase shares worth approximately the value of an installed solar module. In December of 2014 the Saskatchewan Environmental Society entered a crowd-funded "Business for Good Social Venture Challenge" competition sponsored by Affinity Credit Union to launch the endeavour. Public response to the solar power co-operative was enormous. Since then, the solar co-op has taken shape. A Board of Directors, of which Kelly Winder is a member, has been elected to spearhead the co-operative. With the membership continuing to grow, plans for the first solar electricity production projects have begun. For more information on the co-op please visit <https://sessolarcoop.wildapricot.org/>.

**Academy of Discipleship Fall Courses:**

- 1) **The Lord's Prayer:** Instructor is Dr. Walter Klaassen. Oct. 28 - Nov. 25 at Queen's House Retreat Centre. 2:00-3:30 pm.
- 2) **Wakotowin: Creating Common Ground -- Indigenous-Settler Relations:** Facilitators are Eileen Klassen Hamm, Harry Lafond, Leonard Doell, Randy Klassen. Oct. 27 – Nov. 24 at Mennonite Central Committee from 7:00-9:00 pm.  
 Registration at [http://academyofdiscipleship.org/?page\\_id=35](http://academyofdiscipleship.org/?page_id=35).

**Saskatoon Food Bank: Soups, canned or dry; canned fruit**

Nutana Park Mennonite Church September 30, 2015			
	Actual	Budget	Difference
	Jan - Sept	Jan - Sept	Jan - Sept
Revenue	273,928.23	301,555.00	-27,626.77
Expenses	<u>290,358.09</u>	<u>301,555.00</u>	<u>-11,196.91</u>
Surplus (loss)	<u>-16,429.86</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-16,429.86</u>