

**NUTANA PARK MENNONITE CHURCH
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Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory

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10:00 a.m.

No. 33

Worship Leader: Ken Warkentin
Accompanists: Sharon Klassen, Rhonda Krahn
Greeters: Dorothy & Merv Sorensen
Ushers: Pat & Kurt Sawatzky

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| Prelude                    |                                       | Rhonda and Sharon      |
| Welcome and Announcements  |                                       |                        |
| Invocation                 |                                       |                        |
| Gathering Hymn             | <b>Lord Of All Good</b>               | StJ No. 60             |
| Lighting of the Peace Lamp |                                       |                        |
| Children's Time            |                                       |                        |
| Special Music              |                                       | Rhonda and Sharon      |
| Joys and Concerns          |                                       |                        |
| Congregational Prayer      |                                       |                        |
| Offering/Offertory         |                                       | Rhonda and Sharon      |
| Hymn                       | <b>As Rain From The Clouds</b>        | StJ No. 40             |
| Scripture Reading          |                                       | Mark 4:1-9, 26-29      |
| Sharing                    |                                       | Nick Wiens             |
| Hymn                       | <b>We Plow The Fields And Scatter</b> | HWB No. 96             |
| Sharing                    |                                       | Renata & Allan Klassen |
| Hymn of Response           | <b>Now Thank We All Our God</b>       | HWB No. 86             |
| Benediction                |                                       |                        |

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Please join us for a potluck brunch following the worship service.



"Covered Table" by Anton Faistauer 1916

Spotlight on Friendship Inn Saskatoon

This Mission is to create a welcoming environment by committing to being responsive, compassionate, and fostering a sense of belonging among children, youth and adults who experience poverty, with a no-questions-asked policy. The programming they offer includes: breakfast, lunch, access to a family worker, information on topics ranging from health to the law, cribbage tournament, tutoring for kids, and parenting classes.

This Week

- Today** **10:00 am** **Worship;** Nick Wiens and Allan & Renata Klassen speaking.
11:00 am **Brunch & conversation** about a service group, lounge. A-H, bring muffins/rolls/bagels and fruit, help set-up. I-Z, bring muffins/rolls/bagels and cheese, help clean-up.
- Tuesday** **10:00 am** **Women's Study Group,** lounge.

Coming Up

- Next Sun.** **10:00 am** **Worship;** Nora Pederberg speaking.
 1:30 pm **Palliative Care Services Walk of Memories;** Kiwanis Park. See poster in education wing.
- Sept. 15** **The Shekinah Bike-A-Thon is back!** Contact Bert Klassen at 306-281-6577 or bertklassen.wfg@gmail.com. Forms are on mailbox table.
- Sept. 16** **2:30 pm** **Rosthern Junior College Opening program;** RJC gym.
- Sept. 21 - 23** **Quilting and Scrapbooking Retreat at Shekinah.** Call Sue at 306.945.4929 or shekinahretreatcentre.org.
- Sept. 22** **NPMC Church Retreat** at Shekinah Retreat Centre.
- Sept. 23** **2:30-6:00 pm** **Canadian Foodgrains Bank Anniversary & Educational Carnival;** Zion Lutheran Church. Presentation at 4:00 pm.

Following worship today, pastoral staff invite those interested in shaping a **Service Group** from NPMC to an organizational meeting in the lounge during the potluck. The purpose of the service group will be to plan, facilitate, promote, join in, and process a variety of service activities. The meeting after worship today will involve discussing a vision for this group and discerning the level of commitment as we move into fall. Bring your potluck plate and join us in the fireside lounge!

Volunteers are needed! Join **MDS at Shekinah** in raising **Timber Frame Cabin #2**. We need volunteers the week of August 20. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Please call the office at 306.945.4929 to let us know if you can help. Many thanks.

MCC Connects: Do you want to join Canadian speed skater Cindy Klassen in Growing Hope here in Saskatchewan? Meet Cindy and other Grow Hope Supporters in Rosthern on August 25th for an exciting field day event connecting urban to rural, and local to international. See www.mccsk.ca/grow-hope or call Rick Guenther at 306.665.2555.

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.



NPMC Sunday Morning Time Changes

Thank you to the congregational response and the deliberations of a committee to review comments on the trial church schedule that was in place earlier this year. In response to the feedback we have decided as a committee to go with the following schedule as noted below:

September 2: 9:30 am Choir
 11:00 am Worship

September 9 and continuing:

9:30 am Choir and Adult Ed
10:15 am Children's Sunday School
10:30 am Coffee
11:00 am Worship

Announcements

RJC REGISTRATION DAY, Monday, September 3, 2018: Applications are still being accepted for the 2018-2019 school year at Rosthern Junior College. Please contact Crystal Lau in Admissions (306 232-4222 or admissions@rjc.sk.ca) if you would like more information. **Registration & Move-In Day** is Monday, September 3, 1:00-5:00 pm for all students. Classes begin Tuesday, September 4.

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Ride for Refuge, September 29, supporting MC Canada Witness Program. MC Sask is hosting at the Lutheran Seminary on U of S campus. Volunteers will be needed to help with registration and encourage cyclists at rest stops. For more information and to register visit the R4R website (www.rideforrefuge.org) or contact Kirsten Hamm-Epp (youthminister@mcsask.ca, 306-249-4844).

The Bridge has a Full Time position opening for a Women's Ministry Coordinator. Email Linda Walker, with a resume to linda@thebridgesaskatoon.com

Mark 4:1-9, 26-29

1 Again he began to teach beside the sea. Such a very large crowd gathered around him that he got into a boat on the sea and sat there, while the whole crowd was beside the sea on the land. 2He began to teach them many things in parables, and in his teaching he said to them: 3"Listen! A sower went out to sow. 4And as he sowed, some seed fell on the path, and the birds came and ate it up. 5Other seed fell on rocky ground, where it did not have much soil, and it sprang up quickly, since it had no depth of soil. 6And when the sun rose, it was scorched; and since it had no root, it withered away. 7Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked it, and it yielded no grain. 8Other seed fell into good soil and brought forth grain, growing up and increasing and yielding thirty and sixty and a hundredfold." 9And he said, "Let anyone with ears to hear listen!" 26He also said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, 27and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. 28The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. 29But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come."