

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

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Worship Leader: Denelda Fast
Accompanist/Song Leader: Lynn Driedger
Greeters: Trish & Marcel St. Onge
Ushers: Marlene & Dave Froese

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| Prelude                    |                                     |                                            |
| Gathering Hymn             | <b>Holy Spirit, Come With Power</b> | HWB No. 26                                 |
| Welcome and Announcements  |                                     |                                            |
| Invocation                 |                                     |                                            |
| Hymn of Praise             | <b>The Lord Is King</b>             | HWB No. 69                                 |
| Children's Time            |                                     |                                            |
| Offering/Offertory         |                                     |                                            |
| Lighting of the Peace Lamp |                                     |                                            |
| Joys and Concerns          |                                     |                                            |
| Congregational Prayer      |                                     |                                            |
| Hymn                       | <b>Sweet Hour Of Prayer</b>         | HWB No. 11                                 |
| Scripture Reading          |                                     | Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18<br>Ephesians 6:10-20 |
| Sermon                     |                                     | Nora Pederberg                             |
| Hymn of Response           | <b>Lead On, O Cloud Of Presence</b> | HWB No. 419                                |
| Benediction                |                                     |                                            |
| Sending Hymn               | <b>The Lord Is My Light</b>         | StJ No. 97                                 |

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Bride of Christ as Warrior by Kathleen Sandoval

Spotlight on Saskatoon Search and Rescue

Their Mission is to locate lost or missing persons as well as to provide support to our community in non-search emergencies. They are a ground search and rescue team made up of dedicated volunteers who desire to help and assist others in need by giving their time for training, search missions, preventative information and public awareness. They are on call 24/7, 365 days a year.

This Week

Today	10:00 am	Worship; Nora Pederberg speaking.
	1:30 pm	Palliative Care Services Walk of Memories ; Kiwanis Park
Monday	7:00 pm	Board Meeting; the agenda and May approved minutes are posted on the bulletin board.

Tuesday	10:00 am	Women's Study Group, lounge.
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Coming Up

Next Sun.	9:30 am	Choir rehearsal for all ages.
	11:00 am	Worship; Patrick Preheim speaking.
Sept. 9	Noon	Sausage on a bun potluck; A-H, bring salad, help cleanup; I-Z, bring dessert, help set-up.
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. Registration forms are in church mailboxes and sent to everyone via email.
Sept. 23	2:30-6:00 pm	Canadian Foodgrains Bank Anniversary & Educational Carnival; Zion Lutheran Church. Presentation at 4:00 pm.
Sept. 25	5:00-7:00 pm	Fall Supper at the Youth Farm Bible Camp; admission by donation.

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

September 9 and continuing:

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

Announcements

There are fresh cucumbers to pick in our church garden, feel free to help yourself to them as they will not last till the September Harvest.

There was a tremendous response to the possibility of Service Groups at NPMC, if you would like to be part of that ongoing discussion and e-mail chain, please contact Patrick at patrick.preheim@npmc.org.

MCC Connects: What does reconciliation mean to you? MCCS is producing a podcast that will address this question by interviewing people who have worked in reconciliation, lived reconciliation, or have done a lot of thinking about reconciliation. Do you know someone with a great reconciliation story? Nominate them by emailing Heather Peters at heatherpeters@mccsk.ca or calling 306.665.2555.

The **Youth Farm Corn Maze** is now open! See www.youthfarmcornmaze.com for hours and admission. It is more than a corn maze, it's a 3-4 hour family adventure!

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@ric.sk.ca). **Registration & Move-In Day** is September 3, 1:00-5:00 pm for all students. Classes begin Sept. 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

The **Saskatoon Church Curling League** meets every Wednesday evening (October – March) at 8:45 pm at the Granite Curling Club for some fun and fellowship. Join us as a regular or spare. Enter a team or come on your own and we will put you on a team. Please call Glade Penner at 306-955-1009 or email him at gppenner@sasktel.net.

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

1 Then Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. ²And Joshua said to all the people, “Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors—Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor—lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. ¹⁴Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. ¹⁵Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region

beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.” ¹⁶Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; ¹⁷for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; ¹⁸and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.”

Ephesians 6:10-20

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹²For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵As shoes

for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. ¹⁶With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. ¹⁹Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.