

Spotlight on Bill C-262

Mennonite Church Canada, Mennonite Church Saskatchewan, The United Church of Canada, and Saskatoon Unitarians are co-sponsoring the following event:

*Called To Action: In Support of Bill C-262: **Saturday, March 2 at 3:00 pm** at Frances Morrison Library Theatre in Saskatoon: The Truth and Reconciliation Commission has urged the Canadian government to adopt and implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) as the foundation of reconciliation in Canada. Bill C-262, which will ensure that the laws of Canada are in harmony with UNDRIP, needs your support to move forward in the Senate this term. Join your neighbours in a show of support with speakers (including Senator Lillian Dyck), music, performers and a public round dance. It's time to take the next step in the journey of reconciliation!*

This Week

Today	<p>9:30 am Adult Ed: MEDA.</p> <p>10:15 am Children's Sunday School.</p> <p>11:00 am Worship; Susanne Guenther Loewen speaking.</p> <p>Noon Care Group #1 lunch; visitors are welcome to join us.</p> <p>5:30 pm Movie Night in the lounge; bring finger food snacks. 6:30 is show time; movie is "And When They Shall Ask".</p>
Monday	<p>2:00 pm Ecumenical Bible Study; lounge.</p> <p>7:00 pm Board Meeting-- East Sunday School room; Agenda and December approved minutes posted on the bulletin board.</p>
Tuesday	10:00 am Women's Bible Study, lounge.
Wed.	7:00 pm Men's Study: <i>False Leaders, the book of Jude.</i> Facilitated by Gordon Peters.
Thursday	7:00 pm Ray Funk will lead a discussion on Reserve 107 at the Frances Morrison Library. Everyone invited to participate.
Friday	7:30 pm Musical Jam Session; lounge.
Friday, Saturday	Mennonite Historical Society Annual Sessions and AGM at Bethany Manor. Guest is Dr. Ted Regehr.

Coming Up

Next Sun.	<p>9:30 am Adult Ed: <i>Saskatoon Food Bank & Learning Centre.</i> Facilitator is Deborah Hamp.</p> <p>10:15 am Children's Sunday School.</p> <p>11:00 am Worship; Nora and Susanne leading the service.</p> <p>Noon Service meeting following worship.</p>
March 6	<p>8:15 am Ecumenical Lenten Services at St. Philip Neri R.C. Church, followed by breakfast. Service by St. Philip Neri.</p> <p>1:00 pm NPMC Ash Wednesday service: All are welcome to an intimate and simple Ash Wednesday service in the sanctuary.</p>
March 8, 9	Sask Annual Delegate Sessions - Deepening our Walk with Christ at Zoar Mennonite Church (Waldheim). Sessions begin Friday at 7 pm until 4 pm on Saturday.

March 9	7:00 pm Hootenanny at NPMC. If you wish to contribute, speak with Fern Stockdale Winder. Guests: Saskatune Singers.
March 10	7:00 pm Rosthern Junior College Choir & Cakes fundraiser; RJC auditorium. Come and enjoy the entertainment, desserts and auction.
March 22, 23	Walking in Worship Women's Retreat at Shekinah Retreat Centre. Eileen Klaassen is the guest speaker. Registration forms are on the table below mailboxes.
March 26	5:00-7:00pm Vereniki and Sausage Fund Raiser for Youth Farm Bible Camp at Rosthern Mennonite Church. Donation admission.
April 6	9:00-4:00 pm Thirsting for God Lenten Silent Retreat at Shekinah Retreat Centre. Registration forms on mailbox table.

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.

Announcements

NPMC Annual Report Books have been emailed to everyone. There are copies of the booklet on the mailbox table if you prefer a hard copy.

Faith Exploration classes will begin **today at 9:30 am** in Susanne's office. Anyone interested in exploring faith and/or baptism is welcome.

From MC Sask: Wildwood Mennonite Church is excited about the number of new people that are attending. Pray they will find a co-pastor that will be the best fit.

If you are interested in joining a **MDS service group** in May, speak with Garry Koop.

Calling all knitters and wannabe knitters! Anyone - of any age and skill level - who is interested in learning how to knit prayer shawls is invited to contact Ag Peters at 306-343-0904. To make a donation for the cost of wool for prayer shawls, designate the donation to "Caring & Visitation".

St. Martin's United Church is inviting us to their book study taking place at McClure United Church on Wednesday evenings 7:00-8:30 pm on February 27 to April 3. The book title is: *Dear White Christians: For Those Still Longing for Racial Reconciliation.* A poster is on the bulletin board in the education wing.

Station Singers Spring Concerts: "From Billy to Brahms - Love Songs for Spring". Station Arts Centre Rosthern April 12 at 7:30 pm. Saskatoon April 14 at 2:30 (we do not have a venue yet). Tickets can be purchased at the Station Arts or from choir members.

Care Group Lunches

March 3--Group 4; March 10--Group 5; March 17--Group 6; March 31--Group 1

Luke 6:27-38

²⁷“But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you. ³²“If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴If you lend to those from whom you hope to

receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. ³⁵But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. ³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. ³⁷“Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.”

Genesis 45:3-11, 15

³Joseph said to his brothers, “I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?” But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. ⁴Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come closer to me.” And they came closer. He said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. ⁵And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. ⁶For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. ⁷God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. ⁸So it was not you who sent me here, but God;

he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. ⁹Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, ‘Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. ¹⁰You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children’s children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. ¹¹I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.’ ¹⁵And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.