

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

**January 8, 2017  
Baptism Of Our Lord**

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**11:00 a.m.**

No. 2

Worship Leader: James Friesen  
Accompanist: Fern Stockdale-Winder, Jenna Zee  
Special Music: Lynn Driedger  
Children's Song Leader: Joel Driedger  
Greeter: Jean Wiens  
Ushers: Elva & Ernie Epp

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Welcome and Announcements

Opening Prayer

Gathering Hymn **There Is A Place Of Quiet Rest**

HWB No. 5

Lighting of the Peace Lamp/Prayer for Peace

Children's Time/Song **Ehane he'ama  
(Father God, You Are Holy)**

HWB No. 78

Offering

Hymn **O Thou, In Whose Presence**

HWB No. 559

Scripture

Matthew 3:13 – 4:11

Special Music

**In The Wilderness** Lynn Driedger

Sermon

**Wilderness and Contemplation** Patrick Preheim

Hymn of Response

**Lead Me, Lord** HWB No. 538

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Sending Hymn **Lord, Speak To Me**

HWB No. 499

Spoken Benediction

StS No. 153

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*Emmaus via Canterbury*

## Spotlight on Epiphany

Epiphany, the coming of the light, was January 6. Saskatchewan sees an average of **2267 hours of bright sunshine every year**. It is time to start utilizing that renewable resource in the production of electricity. The goals of reducing greenhouse gas emissions and building a renewable energy future for Saskatchewan need to become a top priority in the province's communities. See more at [www.sesolarcoop.wildapricot.org](http://www.sesolarcoop.wildapricot.org)

## This Week

Today	8:55 am	Contemplative Prayer in the sanctuary.
	9:25 am	Choir rehearsal for all ages.
	9:45 am	Adult Ed: <i>Contemplation and Action: Mary and Martha</i> .
	11:00 am	Worship; Patrick speaking. Creative Church will take place in the education wing.
Monday	2:00 pm	Ecumenical Bible Study; lounge.
Tuesday	1:30 pm	Women's Coffee & Conversation; lounge.
Wed.	7:30 am	Men's Breakfast; Jerry's Food Emporium, 8th Street
Friday, Saturday		Rosthern Junior College Tournament of Memories; Basketball and Hockey. Contact Denelda at 306-221-2846.

## Coming Up

Next Sun.	9:25 am	Choir rehearsal for all ages.
	9:45 am	Adult Ed: <i>Dorothy Day – The Catholic Worker Movement</i>
	11:00 am	Worship; Susanne speaking.
January 17 Jan. 20 & 21	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study; lounge. Rosthern Junior College Winter Theatre - Friday January 20, 7:00 pm & Saturday January 21, 2:00 pm. The Theatre Arts Class will present "After Hours" in the Pit Theatre. The play is child appropriate and adult friendly!. Tickets (\$10) at 306-232-4222.
Jan. 20 & 27		The Academy of Discipleship Course, <i>What have you to do with Peace?</i> at The Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road. See poster; register for this at <a href="http://www.academyofdiscipleship.org">www.academyofdiscipleship.org</a> or <a href="mailto:aod.saskatoon.sask@gmail.com">aod.saskatoon.sask@gmail.com</a> .

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

**MCC Connects:** Post-secondary Students - Join MCC's Advocacy office to explore the intersections of "Gender, Peace, and Conflict" at this year's student seminar in Ottawa from February 16-18, 2017. Travel subsidies are available. For more information, contact Myriam at [myriamullah@mccsk.ca](mailto:myriamullah@mccsk.ca).

### Messages from Bethany Manor:

\*\*\*Resident Aides to work in the new Personal Care area. Information on bulletin board.  
\*\*\*710 sq. ft. suite available for Life Lease in Bethany Place Assisted Living.  
\*\*\*Casual Office support. Please submit resumes to Bonnie Ramage, Bethany Manor, 110 LaRonge Road, Saskatoon SK S7K 7H8 or email [bonnie@b55.ca](mailto:bonnie@b55.ca). Closing date is January 11.

**Attention all theatre-lovers and actors!** This Spring, from March 10-11, 2017, our congregation is co-hosting the Mennonite Church Saskatchewan Annual Delegate Sessions with Pleasant Point Mennonite Church. We need people to do Readers Theatre on the topic of Food and Faith. Please let Susanne know if you're interested or for more information.

**Ecumenical Events:** See the bulletin board for events happening in January. The "2017 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity" is held from January 22 to 29 - services are listed on bulletin board.

## Youth Announcements

January 10 -- youth discussion night resumes. 7:00-8:30pm for jr. and sr. youth.  
January 20 -- 7:00-9:00pm - Youth event TBA  
January 27-29 MC Sask Sr. High Retreat for grades 9-12 at Camp Kadesh. Speaker Amy Peters, an expert on the subject of *The Road Less Travelled*. Contact Kirsten Hamm-Epp for more information [youthminister@mcsask.ca](mailto:youthminister@mcsask.ca).

### Matthew 3:13 – 4:11

13 Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. 14 John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?' 15 But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. 16 And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. 17 And a voice from heaven said, 'This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased.' 4 Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. 2 He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. 3 The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' 4 But he answered, 'It is

"One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God." 5 Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, 6 saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, "He will command his angels concerning you", and "On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."' 7 Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."' 8 Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; 9 and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' 10 Jesus said to him, 'Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him."' 11 Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.