

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

**March 12, 2017
Lent 2**

Vol. LII **11:00 a.m.** No. 11

Worship Leader: Brent Guenther
Accompanist: Teresa Koop-Hunter
Children's Song Leaders: Deanna Stockdale Winder and Colin Ens Funk
Greeters: Jocelyn & Patrick Fleury
Ushers: Lydia & Carl Wiens

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Welcome and Announcements (including a review of the ADS)

Invocation

Gathering Hymn **To God Be The Glory** HWB No. 102

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Service of Shadows Valerie & Darryl Epp

Read in unison: *Daring God, you invite us to move beyond country, kindred, and convention that we might be blessed and be a blessing. Make us aware of fears which keep us from responding to your words of hope and promise.*

Hymn **You Are All We Have** StJ No. 29

Children's Time/Song **Enough For All** insert

Offering and Offertory Cheryl Pauls

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Hymn **Move In Our Midst** HWB No. 418

Scripture Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

Sermon **Reckoned as Righteousness** Cheryl Pauls

Hymn **Taste And See** StJ No. 86

Spoken Benediction

Sung Benediction **Go, My Friends, In Grace** StS No. 57

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Canadian Mennonite University

CMU is an innovative Christian university, rooted in the Anabaptist faith tradition, moved and transformed by the life and teachings of Jesus Christ. Through teaching, research and service CMU inspires and equips women and men for lives of service, leadership, and reconciliation in church and society.

We welcome Dr. Cheryl Pauls, President of Canadian Mennonite University as she worships with us this morning.

Spotlight on Canadian School of Peacebuilding

Each year Canadian School of Peacebuilding (CSOP), an institute of Canadian Mennonite University, invites the peacebuilders of the world to gather in Winnipeg, Canada, for a selection of five-day courses in June. They invite us to come take a course or two for professional and personal development or for academic credit. They offer courses from local, national and international peacebuilders, to serve practitioners, professionals, activists, students, non-governmental organizations, and faith-based groups. Consider learning with this international network in various approaches to peacebuilding, justice, reconciliation, conflict resolution, and development.
For more information, visit csop.cmu.ca

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>Living More With Less</i> . Guest speaker is Cheryl Pauls from Canadian Mennonite University.
Monday	11:00 am	Lent 2 Worship; guest speaker Cheryl Pauls. Creative Church in the education wing.
	Noon	Care Group #5 potluck; visitors are welcome to join us.
	2:00 pm	Ecumenical Bible Study; lounge.
Tuesday	6:00 pm	"Feast and Share" Potluck Supper at NPMC; an opportunity for the ecumenical community to gather, share great food and learn more about the challenges, successes and stories of our indigenous brothers and sisters. Annie Battiste and Monica Johnson facilitating.
	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study; lounge.
	1:30 pm	Women's Coffee & Conversation; lounge.
Wednesday	5:00-7:00 pm	Youth Farm Bible Camp Vereniki Fundraising Supper at the Rosthern Mennonite Church. Admission by donation.
	8:15 am	Lenten Prayer Service and Breakfast at St. Martin's United Church. Our Lady of Lourdes R.C. leading worship.
Friday	7:30 pm	Musical Jam Session; lounge. Bring your instruments and voices for an evening of singing popular songs.
Friday, Saturday		Shekinah Retreat Centre crafting retreat.
Saturday	7:00 pm	The MCCS Relief Sale Committee invites you to Songs for the Sale, an MCC Fundraising Concert - Listen to the sweet sounds of <i>The Saskatune Singers</i> and tap your toes along with the bluegrass stylings of <i>Sparky and the Plugs</i> at the MCC Centre. Donations gratefully accepted to help support relief aid. (Donations of \$20 or more will receive a tax receipt.) Free admission. Dessert to follow.

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.

Coming Up

Next Sun.	8:55 am	Contemplative Prayer in the sanctuary.
	9:25 am	Choir rehearsal for all ages.
	9:45 am	Adult Ed: <i>Living More With Less</i> ; <i>Cherish the Natural Order</i> . Facilitator is Rachel Regier.
	11:00 am	Lent 3 Worship; Duff Warkentin and the Sask Youth Choir.
March 26	Noon	Care Group #1 potluck.
	2:30 pm	Saskatchewan Youth Choir Concert at Grace Westminster United Church. Conductor: Duff Warkentin. Tickets (Adults \$10; Students \$5) at the door or online at www.saskchoral.ca .
	Noon	Potluck followed by our Annual General Meeting. A-H, bring salad and dessert, help with set-up; I-Z, bring sandwiches, help with clean-up.
April 1	7:30 pm	Sonrisa Women's Choir presents Vivaldi's Gloria; Knox United Church. Tickets (\$10) available from choir members and at the door.
April 2	Noon	NPMC Youth fundraiser and Silent Auction.
	7:00 pm	Rosthern Junior College Guys & Pies Fundraiser and Dessert Auction at RJC. Coffee, tea and pie will be served during the evening. Everyone is welcome!
April 30	2:30 pm	A Buncha Guys Spring Concert at Knox United Church, featuring the 20 Year Reunion Choir. Email Russ at abg20year@gmail.com to register for the Reunion Choir.
June 9, 10		MCC Relief Sale and Auction; Prairieland Park, Hall E.

Enough for All -- by Brian Moyer Suderman.

There's enough for all
If we can learn to share it.
There's enough for all
If we can learn to see.
There's enough for all
Let's bring our loaves and fishes
And offer them to Jesus
There's more than enough for you and me.

Easter Services at NPMC

Good Friday, April 14

7:00 pm Tenebrae Service

Easter Sunday, April 16

9:30 am Brunch -- please bring Easter baking, cheese and fruit

11:00 am Easter Worship Service

Announcements

NPMC Students: Post-secondary bursaries are available. To see a list of bursaries and an application form, check the website at nPMC.net under the "Resources" tab or contact the church office. Deadline is May 31.

April 2, 7:00 pm - The 2015 documentary **THE PASS SYSTEM** will be show at the Broadway Theatre, followed by a Q&A with director Alex Williams and others. Narrated by acclaimed Cree actor and activist Tantoo Cardinal (Dances with Wolves, Legends of the Fall), this film "illuminates Canada's hidden history of racial segregation" by hearing from Cree, Saulteaux, Dene, Ojibwe and Blackfoot elders about their experiences of the Pass System on prairie reserves. St. Martin's United Church is hosting this event, with support from Wildwood Mennonite and our congregation. The event is free; an offering will be taken.

Employment Opportunity: Rosthern Junior College. Do you or someone you know have a passion for working with and mentoring youth? We anticipate an opening(s) for the 2017-2018 school year on its residence staff. Residence staff work as part of a team to provide a safe, supportive learning community for students in our dormitory. Position to begin Monday, August 28, 2017. Housing is provided. For more information please contact the school at 306.232.4222 or office@rjc.sk.ca.

March 17 & 18: Breaking the Silence Conference - This year is the 20th annual conference "Breaking the Silence on Issues of Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity," sponsored by the U of S College of Education. To register, visit <http://www.usask.ca/education/breaking-the-silence/index.php>.

Gender Revolution, a National Geographic film with Katie Couric, will be shown on **March 16** at 7 pm at OUT Saskatoon, and on **March 31** at Grosvenor Park United Church.

The **Canadian Association for Spiritual Care** National Conference is in Saskatoon April 26-29. Poster is on the bulletin board in the Education Wing.

Church Life Events

Garage Sale: May 27

Brides & Babies Shower: June 4

Saskatoon Food Bank Most Needed Items: Infant formula, Baby food
(The big blue bin in the Education Wing)

Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

4 What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? ²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.' ⁴Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. ⁵But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness.

13 For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but

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through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, 'I have made you the father of many nations')—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.