

NUTANA PARK MENNONITE CHURCH

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**March 27, 2016
Easter Sunday**

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Worship Leader: Joel Driedger
Accompanists: Fern Stockdale Winder,
Deanna Stockdale-Winder, Lynn Driedger
Greeters: Carey & Arny Kroeger
Ushers: Lorene & Arnie Nickel

Welcome, Greetings and Announcements

Service of Light
Call to Worship Anna Blumrich

L: How joyful it is, to celebrate the good news of God's love!

C: We are called to be Easter people!

L: Darkness cannot claim us!

C: Fear cannot bind us!

L: Christ is risen!

All: Christ Is Risen, Indeed! Amen!

Hymn of Praise

Lighting of the Peace Lamp
Hymn Longing for Light
Children's Time/Song Ride On King Jesus
Child care is provided for young children.

Offering and Offertory

Sharing and Chats Joys and Concerns

Issues and Concerns Congregational Prayer

Congregational Prayer

Hymn **Alleluia! Gracious Jesus!**
Sermon **Do You Believe in Resurrection?**
 Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

Luke 24:1-12	
Acts 10:34-43	
Hymn of Response	Christ the Lord is Risen Today
Benediction	
Sending Hymn	I Will Stand in the Congregation
	HWB No. 280
	StS No. 113

Spotlight on Community Life

He is arisen! Christ died and now He lives for our sake, for our redemption. What wonderful news. What a wonderful Saviour. Let us go forth in our days and share that news of love; today and everyday. We have the reason to rejoice. Our Jesus is alive!

Spotlight on Truth & Reconciliation Commission

Churches have been summoned by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada to engage the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

How will we do that? "Wrongs to Rights" is a new conversation guide and study from Mennonite Church Canada's Indigenous Relations office, featuring 40 Indigenous, Settler, Christian and Traditional authors, poets and artists, to help your congregation begin the discussion. Individual orders available at www.commonword.ca/go/507.

This Week

Today	9:30 pm	Breakfast Brunch -- please bring Easter baking, cheese and fruit.
	11:00 am	Easter Sunday Worship; Anita Retzlaff speaking. Creative church -- we will explore the feelings of the people in the pre-Easter and Easter stories through creative dance.
Monday	10:00 am	No Ecumenical Bible Study this Monday.
Tuesday	5:30 pm	Women's Bible Study.
Saturday		Shekinah Retreat Centre annual fundraising banquet at Mount Royal Mennonite Church. Entertainment by <i>A Buncha Guys</i> Alumni. Tickets \$20.

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>Responding to the Truth & Reconciliation Commission Report</i> ; discussion leader John Elias.
	11:00 am	Worship; Baptism and Singing Sunday.
	Noon	Care Group 4, 5. We invite visitors to join us for lunch.
	2:30 pm	The Saskatoon Men's Chorus will be presenting its spring home concert at Grace Westminster Church, with guest vocalist, Larry Klopoushak. The concert is entitled "Broadway and Beyond", and features songs from various musical theatre productions. Tickets will be available at the door, or contact Lynn Driedger at 306-220-0812.
April 10	7:00 pm	Rosthern Junior College GUYS & PIES Fundraiser and Dessert Auction -- music featuring <i>A Buncha Guys</i> and the <i>RJC Man Choir</i> . Coffee, tea and pie will be served during the evening. Everyone is welcome!
April 16, 17		Station Singers presents "In Praise of Spring" concert. April 16, 7:30 pm at Grace Westminster United Church. April 17, 2:00 pm at the Station Arts Center. Guest artists: Prairie Virtuosi String Quartet.
April 24	2:30 pm	A Buncha Guys Spring Concert at Nutana Park Mennonite Church. Tickets \$5. An offering will be taken to support the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

Ride On King Jesus

Chorus: Ride on, King Jesus, No one can-a hinder thee.
Ride on King Jesus ride on, no one can-a hinder thee.

King Jesus rides to Jerusalem, no one can a-hinder thee
Hosanna to King David's Son, no one can a-hinder thee
He rides upon a donkey small, no one can a-hinder thee
The King of peace the Lord of all, no one can a-hinder thee

The children sing and they dance and shout, no one can a-hinder thee
If they won't praise the rocks cry out, no one can a-hinder thee
King Jesus did just what he said, no one can a-hinder thee
He healed the sick and he raised the dead, no one can a-hinder thee

The light of God shines on His face, no one can a-hinder thee
He offers all His pardoning grace, no one can a-hinder thee
Come join the throng your voices raise, no one can a-hinder thee
The King of love deserves your praise, no one can a-hinder thee

Chorus: Ride on King Jesus, no one can a-hinder thee
Ride on King Jesus, ride on, no one can a-hinder thee
No one can a-hinder thee, no one can a-hinder thee

"Creative Church" is an intergenerational, multisensory, participatory worship alternative to the formal sermon during the second half of our worship service. Anyone, ages 4 to 94 is invited to participate.

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

April Intergenerational Activity -- today is the last day to sign up for making stepping stones on April 7 and 14.

April 17 is our worship service at **Sherbrooke Community Centre** at 2:30 pm. We are looking for musicians and contributors. Please phone Marlene Froese if you can help.

Rosthern Junior College invites applications for: TEACHER, RESIDENTIAL DEAN. RJC anticipates openings for the 2016-17 school year on its teaching and residence staff. Primary teaching areas include Christian Ethics, English and Mathematics. Residence staff work as part of a team to provide a safe, supportive learning community for students in our residence. For more information please contact: Jim Epp - Principal, Rosthern Junior College Box 5020, Rosthern, SK S0K 3R0; jimepp@rjc.sk.ca; 306-232-4222

Rewilding the Way author Todd Wynward: "The wild truth is that God needs us, and we humans have yet to do our part." Read the book rewildingtheway.com and join a conversation about living the way of Jesus in our particular place and time. **April 3, 6pm at Wildwood Mennonite Church.**

55 Alive Mature Driver Course held at Nutana Park on April 21, 9:00-3:00; April 22, 1:00-5:00 pm. Sponsored by the Saskatoon Safety Council. Contact Howard Giles at 306-373-3054.

MCC Connects: Save the date! The 2016 MCC Relief Sale & Auction will be held on June 10 & 11 at Saskatoon Prairieland Park. New this year: Kid's Peace from 9-3, run by Shekinah Retreat Centre; Busking – musicians (any age), please contact Denise Martens at 306.270.9648 or denisemartens@gmail.com.

Volunteers Needed for the MC Canada Assembly, July 6-10 at TCU Place: A green sheet of volunteer responsibilities is located on the mailbox table -- please pick up a copy and sign up to help.

April 23, 6:00 pm at Rosthern Mennonite Church: **The Canadian Mennonite** magazine invites you to a **Fundraising Banquet** featuring keynote speaker, Stuart Murray, from the UK Anabaptist Network, author of the *Naked Anabaptist: The Bare Essentials of a Radical Faith* and the nationally competitive classical Caspian (Friesen) Trio. Donations above \$20.00 gratefully received. Please see poster for more details. Please RSVP by April 12, 2016 online at canadianmennonite.org/banquet, via email at brycelm@gmail.com, or at 306-363-4750.

MDS Family Project at Camp Assiniboia, Manitoba & Silver Lake Mennonite Camp, Ontario! MDS is partnering with these two Mennonite Camps to build cabins and other small buildings. Families with children of all ages are encouraged to come and learn from each other while serving others. In Ontario, food and camping sites are provided. In Manitoba food and camping sites are provided as well as some housing in the SS rooms of a local church. Cost is \$75/family unit. Contact Evelyn Peters-Rojas at epetersrojas@mds.mennonite.net or 1-866-261-1274.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

¹ O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
 his steadfast love endures for ever!
² Let Israel say,
 'His steadfast love endures for ever.'
¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my might;
 he has become my salvation.
¹⁵ There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:
 'The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;
¹⁶ the right hand of the Lord is exalted;
 the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.'
¹⁷ I shall not die, but I shall live,
 and recount the deeds of the Lord.
¹⁸ The Lord has punished me severely,

but he did not give me over to death.
¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness,
 that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.
²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord;
 the righteous shall enter through it.
²¹ I thank you that you have answered me
 and have become my salvation.
²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
²³ This is the Lord's doing;
 it is marvellous in our eyes.
²⁴ This is the day that the Lord has made;
 let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Luke 24:1-12

1 But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared.² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb,³ but when they went in, they did not find the body.⁴ While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them.⁵ The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, 'Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.⁶ Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee,⁷ that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.'⁸ Then they remembered his words,⁹ and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest.¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles.¹¹ But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.¹² But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Acts 10:34-43

34 Then Peter began to speak to them: 'I truly understand that God shows no partiality,³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all.³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced:³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.³⁹We are

witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree;⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear,⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead.⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

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Saskatoon Food Bank: Soups-canned or dry, Canned fruit (The large blue barrel in the Education Wing)

Nutana Park Mennonite Church			
	Actual	Budget	Difference
Revenue	Jan-Feb 67,097.74	Jan-Feb 64,536.00	Jan-Feb 2,561.74
Expenses	<u>60,969.57</u>	<u>64,536.00</u>	<u>-3,566.43</u>
Surplus (loss)	<u>6,128.17</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>6,128.17</u>