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Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory

May 19, 2019

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11:00 a.m.

No. 20

Worship Leader: Kelly Winder
Accompaniment: Joanne Ewert
Greeters: Evelyn & Peter Epp
Ushers: Elva & Ernie Epp

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| Opening Hymn                            | <b>This Is My Father's World</b>          | HWB No. 154         |
| Welcome and Announcements               |                                           |                     |
| Call to Worship                         |                                           |                     |
| Hymn                                    | <b>God, Who Stretched</b>                 | HWB No. 414         |
| Lighting of the Peace Lamp -- Spotlight |                                           | James Friesen       |
| Joys & Concerns                         |                                           |                     |
| Congregational Prayer                   |                                           |                     |
| Psalm Reading                           |                                           | Psalm 104:24-34     |
| Hymn                                    | <b>All Things Bright And Beautiful</b>    | HWB No. 156         |
| Children's Time                         |                                           |                     |
| Offering and Offertory                  |                                           |                     |
| Scripture                               |                                           | Ecclesiastes 3:9-15 |
| Sermon                                  | <b>Names for God: God as Creative</b>     | Nora Pederberg      |
| Hymn of Response                        | <b>God Of Many Names</b>                  | HWB No. 77          |
| Service of Blessing                     |                                           |                     |
| Sung Benediction                        | <b>The Peace Of The Earth Be With You</b> | StJ No. 77          |
| Spoken Benediction                      |                                           |                     |

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*Once Upon A Universe
by Mary Southard 2014*

*Spotlight on Pleasant Hill Nutrition Program
by James Friesen*

This Week

Today	No Adult Ed. No Children's Sunday School.
	11:00 am Worship; Nora Pederberg Speaking.
	Noon Care Group #5; visitors are welcome to join us.
Monday	7:00 pm Board Meeting, lounge. The agenda and March approved minutes are posted on the bulletin board.
Wed.	No Men's Study.
Saturday	RJC Annual Golf Classic at Valley Regional Park.

Coming Up

Next Sun.	9:30 am Adult Ed: Round-table conversations on future series for Adult Education, fueled with coffee and scones/muffins. Committee will have a summer reading list available. Opportunity for evaluation of past year.
	10:15 am Children's Sunday School.
	11:00 am Worship; Don Klaassen speaking.
May 31	6:00 pm Friends of Shekinah Fundraising Banquet at Shekinah Retreat Centre. Great food, education, entertainment. RSVP 306-945-4929 or office@shekinahretreatcentre.org .
June 1	NPMC Garage Sale. See announcements regarding times for bringing donations to church May 29, 30, 31.
	7:30 pm Saskatoon Fiddle Orchestra Spring Show <i>Fantastic Friendly</i> at the Broadway Theatre. Tickets \$20.
June 2	Sunday School year end BBQ at the home of Marlie/Ben.
June 9	3:00 pm Wedding and Baby Shower at NPMC; details in mailboxes. We are looking for anyone interested in bringing their wedding gown & accessories and/or baby clothes to be displayed (not a fashion show) along with a photo (if possible) of you wearing the item. We would like these items by Sunday, June 2. Call Denelda (306-221-2846) or Marlene (306-220-9409). Thank you!
June 15	1:30-4:30 pm Voices Together Worship Workshop; Mount Royal Mennonite Church. Come and learn about worship resources. Register at https://mcsask.ca/registrations .

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 Summer Hours

10:00 am Worship -- June, July, August, September 1

Psalm 104:24-34

<p>24 YHWH, what variety you have created, arranging everything so wisely! The earth is filled with your creativity!</p> <p>25 There's the vast expanse of the Sea, teeming with countless creatures, living things large and small,</p> <p>26 with the ships going to and fro and Leviathan whom you made to frolic there.</p> <p>27 All creatures depend on you to feed them at the proper time.</p> <p>28 Give it to them--they gather it up. Open your hand--they are well satisfied.</p> <p>29 Hide your face--they are terrified. Take away their breath--they die and</p>	<p>return to dust.</p> <p>30 Send back your breath--fresh life begins</p> <p>and you renew the face of the earth.</p> <p>31 Glory forever to YHWH! May you find joy in your creation!</p> <p>32 You glance at the earth and it trembles; you touch the mountains and they smoke!</p> <p>33 I will sing to you all my life, I will make music for my God as long as I live.</p> <p>34 May these reflections of mine give God as much pleasure as God gives me!</p>
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Ecclesiastes 3:9-15

<p>9 What do workers gain from their efforts? 10 I have reflected on this while learning all the kinds of work God gives to humankind. 11 God has made everything in harmony with the divine; yet although the Almighty has imbued eternity in our soul, we are unable to grasp the totality of God's work from beginning to end. 12 What I do know is that what is best for us is to be happy and enjoy life as long as we</p>	<p>live. 13 And God's gift to us is to eat and drink and find fulfillment in our work. 14 I understand that whatever God does will endure for eternity; nothing can be added to it, nothing can be taken away. God makes it this way to keep reverence for the sacred alive in us. 15 That which is, has always been; that which is to be, has already been; and God calls the past back into existence.</p>
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Announcements

Fixing Saskatchewan's Climate Change Plan: May 28, 7:00-8:45 pm at Frances Morrison Library. Speakers Peter Prebble and Ann Coxworth will outline the local and global impacts of climate change. For more information see <http://environmentalsociety.ca/events/sustainable-speakers-series/>.

The MCC Relief Sale needs volunteers on June 7th & 8th:

Pies and Borscht: 20 pies and 15 gallons each of beet, summer and cabbage borscht. Please let **Renata Klassen** know if you can bring borscht -- she has large containers you may use for storing soup.

Baking: Buns, breads, cookies, cakes, pies are always desired items, but traditional goods (like zweiback, portzelky, peppernuts, platz, etc.) are a real hit. Baking can be brought to the bake table Friday by 4:00 p.m. or Saturday morning.

Volunteers: Food booth workers, greeters, auction area helpers, etc. If you can help, please contact the MCC Relief Sale team at mccreliefsalesk@gmail.com.

A message from Innovative Prairie Farm Families (IPFF): THANK YOU for the space we were privileged and able to use at your Church for our monthly food market. This market was a result of an initiation that began approx. 15 years ago to have meat and dry good products from local farmers available to local consumers - to create a relationship between producers and consumers. We have appreciated very much your openness and support in allowing us your space, to build these relationships all these years! We are continuing with this endeavor to a new location - The MCC SK building - (600 - 45th St W) - the 3rd (sometimes 4th) Thursday of each month from 6:30 to 8 pm. Please feel free to come visit us there.

RJC Spend-A-Day: Friday, May 31, 10:00 am-3:00 pm. Come and experience a day in the life of an RJC student. Attend chapel, sit in on classes, experience choir, and more! Please register with Alex Tiessen at admissions@rjc.sk.ca or call (306) 232-4222.

MCC Saskatchewan is welcoming applications for the position of Spruce River Folk Fest Coordinator. This position plans for and facilitates a one-day festival begins in the morning with a ceremony and stories from Landless Bands followed by local musical entertainment in the afternoon and early evening. There are food vendors, silent auction opportunities and open areas for fellowship and visiting with one another. This position is half time (20 hours/week) and is accountable to the MCCS Indigenous Neighbours Coordinator. Leading up to the Folk Fest, heavier hours of work can be expected with attendance at the Folk Fest (August 10, 2019) being mandatory. For details go to <https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/openings/spruce-river-folk-fest-coordinator>.

ANNUAL NPMC GARAGE SALE - Saturday, June 1st - 8:00 - 2:00 We will accept your donations of goods on Wednesday, May 29 (4:00-8:00), Thursday, May 30 (9:00-12:00; 1:00-4:00) and Friday, May 31 (9:00-12:00; 1:00-4:00). Please see sign-up sheets posted in the foyer for volunteer requirements. Donations of baking would be greatly appreciated for the "Bake Table". Come join in the fun, raise money for MCC.

A Message from Canadian Mennonite: Mennonite churches and organizations are welcome to promote their events in the *Canadian Mennonite* calendar, which appears in the print magazine and on our website. To submit an event, go to www.canadianmennonite.org and click on Events.

MCC Connects: Did you know that your coins add up and can make a difference for people living in Bangladesh? With **My Coins Count**, your coins can make a difference in the world! Every coin you give is eligible to be matched up to 4:1 by the Canadian Government.

First Mennonite Church is looking for a part-time yard maintenance person (including snow removal). For more details, you may contact the church office at 306-244-6772 or fmc789@sasktel.net.

From NPMC Service Group: we have a regular commitment to send one volunteer each Wednesday to help serve lunch with the Pleasant Hill Nutrition Program. Contact Paul Schroeder at pandjschroeder@gmail.com if you can help in May or June.

Registration is open for Gathering 2019 in Abbotsford, B.C., June 28 to July 1. To register, go to www.ignitegathering2019.ca/registration. A schedule is available at www.ignitegathering2019.ca/schedule. If you wish to be a delegate, let Helen know.

Intergenerational crokinole tournament at Gathering 2019:

How good is your flick? Not your ultimate-frisbee throw, your crokinole shooting finger! You'll have a chance to find out in the Intergenerational Crokinole Tournament on Friday evening at Gathering 2019. Locally made crokinole boards are the prizes to take home. Register now at www.ignitegathering2019.ca/registration.

Mennonite Church Saskatchewan: Praying for one another: First Mennonite Church (Saskatoon) is excited about two new community engagement projects. First, FMC is hosting a free Forever...In Motion class on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Forever...In Motion is an exercise program for older adults interested in maintaining their physical health. Second, FMC is planning to partner with MCC and the local community on a refugee sponsorship and resettlement project. While much of the funding is in place, FMC, as an aging congregation, needs help from the local community. We have scheduled a community meeting on 11 June so that interested people can sign up to help resettle the refugee family when they come. Only after we have community support can we sign up with MCC to begin the process of bringing a refugee family to Saskatoon. We ask that you join us in praying for God to inspire people in the local community to participate in this refugee and resettlement project, and for God to transform FMC members and the relationships that are established with these two projects.

NPMC Students: Post-secondary bursaries available--**deadline is May 31**. To see a list of bursaries and application forms, check the website or contact the church office.

Food Bank (Blue Bin) Items: Soups-canned or dry, Canned fruit