

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

May 27, 2018

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10:00 a.m.

No. 21

Worship Leader: James Friesen
Accompanist: Lorene Nickel
Special Music: Emily Hooge
Greeters: Darleen Pratt & Richard Letkeman
Ushers: Hedio & Ross Borne

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Call to Worship

Leader: You, O God are the beginning and end, alpha through omega.

**People:** You alone are God.

Leader: We are here to walk in your ways.

**People:** We are here to learn your truth and your love.

Leader: By birth, by adoption, and by redemption,

**People:** You have called us, you have claimed us, and we are here.

**All:** God of creation and salvation, we worship you.

Gathering Hymn **Unto Thy Temple, Lord, We Come** HWB No. 4

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn of Praise **Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord** HWB No. 76

Lighting of the Peace Lamp StS No. 173

Special Music

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Children's Time

Offering, Offertory, Our Coins Count

Scripture John 3:1-17

Special Music

Responsive Reading StS No. 157

Sharing Alison Jantz

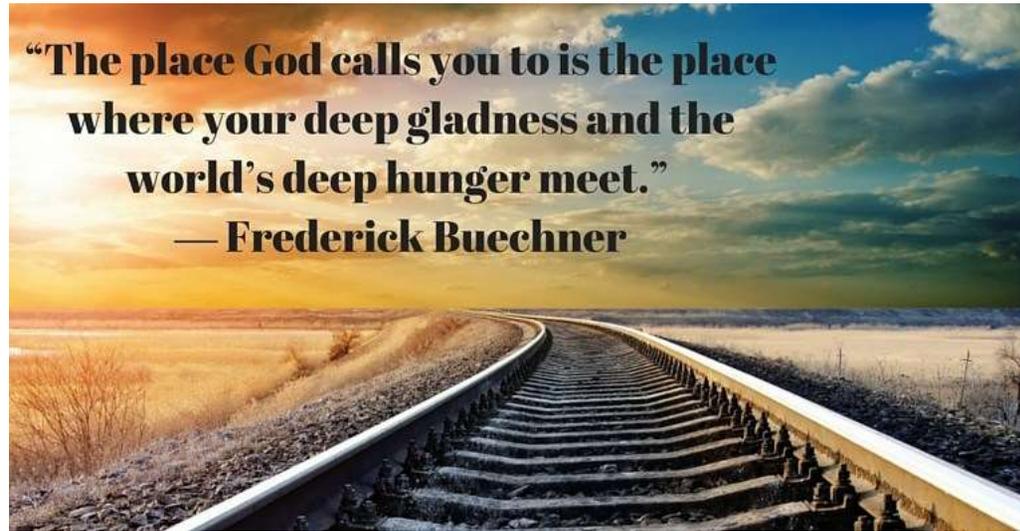
Hymn **Be Thou My Vision** HWB No. 545

Sharing Peter Guenther

Spoken Benediction

Sung Benediction **God Be With You** HWB No. 430

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Spotlight on CHEP Good Food, Inc.

CHEP works with children, families and communities to improve access to good food and promote food security. This past week CHEP's refrigerated truck caught fire while making deliveries and is a total loss. Staff was able to make it to safety, but the 5000 lbs of fresh food destined for Saskatoon schools this week was lost in the fire as well. Consider supporting CHEP with your time, talent, treasure, or joining their Good Food Run on June 10th. <http://www.chep.org/>

This Week

Today	10:00 am	Worship; Peter Guenther and Alison Jantz speaking.
	11:00 am	Coffee -- visitors welcome.
	11:10 am	Children's Sunday School today; resuming again in fall. Adult Ed and Choir will resume in the fall. Care Group #1 lunch; visitors are welcome to join us.
Thursday	1:30 pm	Support and Care Group; East Sunday school rooms.
Saturday	7:00 pm	The family of Jac Nickel invites us to celebrate Jac's 90th birthday at Circle Drive Place. Come and go evening, a short program at 7:30. Cards and gifts gratefully declined.

Coming Up

Next Sun.	10:00 am	Worship; Joyce Tremmel & George Enns speaking.
	11:00 am	Sunday School BBQ at the home of Marlie & Ben Leis, following the church service.
	3:00 pm	Wedding & Baby Shower at NPMC; join us for visiting, a program and lunch. Check mailboxes for details. Cost \$20.
June 5	10:00 am	Women's Study Group beginning on Tuesday mornings. We will discuss "The Bible Tells Me So" by Peter Enns. Everyone welcome; come whenever you can.
June 10	11:00 am	Brunch potluck: A-H. bring salad and dessert, help clean-up; I-Z, bring sandwiches, help set-up.
June 12	1:30 pm	Women's Coffee & Conversation time Ice Cream social. The ice cream will be provided by Ag Peters; everyone else please bring toppings and bananas to share.
June 20	6:00 pm	Pulled Pork Supper and Cowboy Campfire Evenin' Country Gospel Concert at the Youth Farm Bible Camp. Entertainment by Larry Krause. Admission by donation.

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

Our **Congregational Survey** is in your mailboxes and has also been sent to everyone online. Please fill out your responses--the hard copies are given to Tammy Forrester.

Youth Care Packages and Bibles are in the education wing. Support our youth who are away from family by adding items to a care package or a note of encouragement. In addition, NPMC has a tradition of presenting our youth with a bible when they enter youth group. Feel free to add a favourite bible verse to the front or back pages of the bibles on display. Both the care packages and bibles will be out until June 4th.

MCC Relief & Auction Sale, June 8, 9

Volunteers Needed:

Pie Table: Urgently Needed: we were asked to donate **up to 20 pies--we have 6**. Phone Helen 306-374-2144 if you can help out.

Craft Table: See the bulletin board for a list of items for the craft table.

Bake Table: 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 pm or Saturday morning.

Houseplants: Bring to the sale Friday if possible.

Silent Auction: If you have a service or an experience (painting, catered meal, etc.) for the Silent Auction, please contact Denise Martens at mccreliefsalesk@gmail.com

Mennonite Disaster Service is currently preparing to assist ranchers/farmers in the Empress and Hilda areas along the Alberta/Saskatchewan border with a workcamp in each of the two affected areas during the week of July 9 - 14. If you are interested, please contact Ike Epp (306-342-4344 or ikemds@litttleloon.ca) by June 15.

Do you know a young adult looking for housing in Saskatoon this fall?

The **Vine & Table** is a place for students and young adults to live, learn and grow in a Jesus-centered community, hosted by house coordinators Thomas & Terri Lynn (Paulson) Friesen. Located in Riversdale, we are walking distance to downtown, 1/2 block from a bus stop that runs to the U of S, and 1 & 1/2 blocks from the river. Applications are open for September 2018. Visit us online at vineandtable.ca or contact us with questions, or to arrange a visit at info@vineandtable.ca.

If you want the **Rejoice devotional booklet**, beginning in September, please let Helen know as soon as possible. The cost for one year is \$39.05; the cheque should be made out to Nutana Park Mennonite Church with the word "Rejoice" written in the memo line.

A New Book: In *Unsettling the Word: Biblical Experiments in Decolonization*, over 60 Indigenous and Settler authors come together to wrestle with the Scriptures, re-reading and re-imagining the ancient text for the sake of reparative futures. Edited by Steve Heinrichs (MC Canada's Indigenous-Settler Relations Director), with an afterword by Sylvia McAdam (one of the founders of Idle No More), it's available at <https://www.commonword.ca/ResourceView/2/19793>.

NPMC Students: Post-secondary bursaries are available. Check the website at nPMC.net under the "Resources" tab or contact the church Office. Deadline is May 31.

Saskatoon Food Bank Most Needed Items: Canned Vegetables, Flour, Rice

John 3:1-17

1 Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. 2He came to Jesus by night and said to him, 'Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.' 3Jesus answered him, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.' 4Nicodemus said to him, 'How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?' 5Jesus answered, 'Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. 6What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7Do not be astonished that I said to you, "You must be born from above." 8The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.' 9Nicodemus said to him, 'How can these things be?' 10Jesus answered him, 'Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? 11 'Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. 12If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? 13No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. 14And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 16 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 17 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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Nutana Park Mennonite Church April 30, 2018			
	Actual	Budget	Difference
	Jan - April	Jan - April	Jan - April
Revenue	113,994.01	135,115.00	-21,120.99
Expenses	<u>114,223.98</u>	<u>135,115.00</u>	<u>-20,891.02</u>
Surplus (loss)	<u>-229.97</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-229.97</u>