

NUTANA PARK MENNONITE CHURCH
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Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory

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11:00 a.m.

No. 22

Worship Leader: James Friesen
Accompanist: Fern Stockdale Winder
Song Leader: Jordan Wiens
Greeter: Jean Enns
Ushers: Evelyn & Peter Epp

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Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements  
Call to Worship

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, who is good  
**People: whose steadfast love endures forever!**  
Leader: The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.  
**People: This is the day that the Lord has made;  
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*All: We give thanks to the Lord who is good,  
Whose steadfast love endures forever!*

Hymn of Praise **Sing Praise To God Who Reigns** HWB No. 59

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Children's Time

Offering

Hymn **As Tranquil Streams** StJ No. 51

Scripture Leviticus 25:8-17, 25-28, 35-42

Luke 4:16-21

Hymn **We Give Thee But Thine Own** HWB No. 384

Sermon **Redemption, Liberation, Jubilee** Susanne

Guenther Loewen

Hymn of Response **When Jesus Worked Here On Earth** StS No. 38

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Sending Hymn

Spoken Benediction **The Lord Lift You Up** StJ No. 73

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Announcements

Spotlight on Sanctum Care Group

Dr. Annette Epp is participating in **Sanctum Care Group's 36-hour survivor challenge** as a fundraiser for their support and hospice services for people living with HIV. Saskatchewan has the highest HIV rate in Canada, and for those who are homeless and HIV positive, life expectancy is only five years. Dr. Epp, along with nine other prominent Saskatoon citizens, will live as a street person for 36 hours to raise awareness about HIV and homelessness in our city. Each participant must raise \$20,000 for the important work of Sanctum Care Group. For further information or to make a donation, please visit <http://www.sanctumcaregroup.com>.

My Coins Count -- coins are helping to build sand dams in Mozambique.

This Week

- Today** **11:00 am** **Worship**; Susanne Guenther Loewen speaking. Creative Church is in the lounge.
2:30 pm **Rosthern Junior College Spring Concert**; gymnasium.
- Monday** **10:00 am** **Caregivers Group** meet in the lounge.
- Thursday** **6:00 pm** **Walk for Alzheimer's**; meet at the amphitheatre at River Landing Park, Spadina Crescent E. Register at www.walkforalzheimersSK.ca or 1-800-263-3367.
- Saturday** **10:00 am** **Shekinah Retreat Centre Scavenger Hunt!** Come out for a day with family and friends to go searching for clues along the many trails. Lunch by donation. Registration \$10 per adult, and \$5 for children ages 5-10. You can find more information at www.shekinahretreatcentre.org.

Coming Up

- Next Sunday** **10:00 am** **Worship followed by World Café** -- table conversations around worship, organizational structure and stewardship. **Potluck** - Lunch will be provided: sweet breads, cheese and fruit. A-H, please help with clean up. There will not be a potluck on June 11.
- 3:00 pm** **Weddings and Babies**; we invite everyone to come and celebrate marriages and births. Details are in mailboxes.

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.

RJC care packages will be going out to students on June 5th. You are welcome to leave a note of encouragement or an item in the baskets in the education wing.

Please help the **Annual MCC Relief Sale June 9 and 10** by:

----**donating items** to the auction, contact Kyla Martens at 306-270-7058 or kyla.n.martens@gmail.com.

----**donating baking** -- Buns, breads, cookies, cakes, pies as well as zweiback, portzelky, peppernuts, platz. Bring baking on Friday by 4:00 p.m. or Saturday morning. Call Bev or Ted Janzen at 306-232-5619.

Rosthern Junior College Job Opportunity: an opening in Admissions and Constituent Relations, beginning Monday, September 18. Please contact office@rjc.sk.ca or 306-232-4222.

The **Listening & Discernment Committee** workshop (*Listening, Living Together, and Loving One Another Even When We Disagree*) is now available on the MC Sask website, Pastoral and Congregational Resources page; www.mcsask.ca.

Mennonite Central Committee SK -- June 2, 7:30 pm: Lucy Romanenkova, director of the Florence Centre in Zaporizhzhya, Ukraine, and partner of MCC will be at MCC SK speaking about her work and how the lives of the area are being affected by the tensions in Eastern Ukraine. For information call Florence Driedger at 306-539-1334.

Rosthern Junior College will present the musical *Sister Act* on **June 23 and 24 at 7:00 pm**. Tickets (\$20 adults, \$10 age 16 and under) must be reserved and paid in advance—call the office at 306-232-4222 or email office@rjc.sk.ca

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.**

***MC Sask 2017 Student Education Fund Scholarship applications are on the mailbox table or at the MC Sask website www.mcsask.ca. Deadline is July 31.

Queen's House Retreat Centre: Transitions: Your Journey of Transformation through Grief and Loss -- 3.5 day retreat, grounded in Christian spirituality, will provide insight, hope and prayerful support for those who have experienced a wide variety of losses including the death of a loved one, illness, loss of a job and the ending of a marriage or significant relationship. **Thursday June 15, 7pm – Sunday June 18, 1pm**. Cost: \$390 (live-in) at Retreat is limited to 9 participants – register early. Registration deadline: Monday June 12. Facilitator: Sarah Donnelly, BA, M.Div. To register or for more info please contact Sarah, 306-717-3707 or info@sarahdonnelly.ca

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Leviticus 25:8-17, 25-28, 35-42

8 You shall count off seven weeks of years, seven times seven years, so that the period of seven weeks of years gives forty-nine years. ⁹Then you shall have the trumpet sounded loud; on the tenth day of the seventh month—on the day of atonement—you shall have the trumpet sounded throughout all your land. ¹⁰And you shall hallow the fiftieth year and you shall proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you: you shall return, every one of you, to your property and every one of you to your family. ¹¹That fiftieth year shall be a jubilee for you: you shall not sow, or reap the aftergrowth, or harvest the unpruned vines. ¹²For it is a jubilee; it shall be holy to you: you shall eat only what the field itself produces. ¹³In this year of jubilee you shall return, every one of you, to your property. ¹⁴When you make a sale to your neighbour or buy from your neighbour, you shall not cheat one another. ¹⁵When you buy from your neighbour, you shall pay only for the number of years since the jubilee; the seller shall charge you only for the remaining crop-years. ¹⁶If the years are more, you shall increase the price, and if the years are fewer, you shall diminish the price; for it is a certain number of harvests that are being sold to you. ¹⁷You shall not cheat one another, but you shall fear your God; for I am the Lord your God. ²⁵If anyone of your kin falls into difficulty and sells a piece of property, then the next-of-kin shall come

and redeem what the relative has sold. ²⁶If the person has no one to redeem it, but then prospers and finds sufficient means to do so, ²⁷the years since its sale shall be computed and the difference shall be refunded to the person to whom it was sold, and the property shall be returned. ²⁸But if there are not sufficient means to recover it, what was sold shall remain with the purchaser until the year of jubilee; in the jubilee it shall be released, and the property shall be returned. ³⁵If any of your kin fall into difficulty and become dependent on you, you shall support them; they shall live with you as though resident aliens. ³⁶Do not take interest in advance or otherwise make a profit from them, but fear your God; let them live with you. ³⁷You shall not lend them your money at interest taken in advance, or provide them food at a profit. ³⁸I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to give you the land of Canaan, to be your God. ³⁹If any who are dependent on you become so impoverished that they sell themselves to you, you shall not make them serve as slaves. ⁴⁰They shall remain with you as hired or bound labourers. They shall serve with you until the year of the jubilee. ⁴¹Then they and their children with them shall be free from your authority; they shall go back to their own family and return to their ancestral property. ⁴²For they are my servants, whom I brought out of the land of Egypt; they shall not be sold as slaves are sold.

Luke 4:16-21

16 When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, ¹⁷and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: ¹⁸‘The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release

to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.’ ²⁰And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹Then he began to say to them, ‘Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.’

REFRESH, REFOCUS, RENEW

LORD

o open our hearts
to receive You

o open us to
Your healing

o open us to
Your future

LORD

o what are You calling
us to embrace?

o what are You calling
us to let go of?

o what are You calling
us to live into?

