

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

October 15, 2017

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11:00 a.m.

No. 42

Worship Leader: Marlene Froese
Accompanist: Susan Ens Funk
Special Music: Jocelyn Fleury
Greeter: James Friesen
Ushers: El & Orv Neufeldt

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Welcome and Announcements  
Invocation

HWB No. 729

Hymn  
Children's Time  
Lighting of the Peace Lamp  
Special Music

**Be Still and Know  
Guide My Feet**

HWB No. 546

Offering  
Joys and Concerns  
Congregational Prayer

**My Life Flows On**

Jocelyn

Hymn  
Scripture  
Sermon  
Hymn of Response  
Benediction  
Sending Hymn

**Thuma Mina**  
**Written Word, Living Word**  
**The Love Of God**

HWB No. 434  
Acts 15:5-20  
Patrick Preheim  
StJ No. 44

**Spirit Of The Living God**

HWB No. 349

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The Jerusalem Council

Spotlight on Bill C-262

Bill C-262 goes before Parliament for its second reading on Oct. 18. If passed, this Bill will see that the laws of Canada are harmonized with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. To find out how Mennonite Church Canada is supporting Bill-C-262 and how you can help, see <http://pfir.ca/>.

This Week

Today	<p>8:55 am Contemplative Prayer in the sanctuary.</p> <p>9:25 am Choir rehearsal for all ages.</p> <p>9:45 am Adult Ed; <i>The Context of Early Anabaptism: The Socio-Political Context of the Reformation.</i> Facilitated by Ron Peters.</p> <p>11:00 am Worship; Patrick Preheim speaking: Anabaptism and Scripture.</p> <p>11:15 am Sunday School age 4-11 years; childcare age 1-3 years.</p> <p>Noon Care Group #2 lunch – visitors are welcome to join us.</p>
Monday	<p>2:00 pm Ecumenical Bible Study; lounge.</p> <p>7:00 pm Board meeting in the lounge. The Agenda and August approved minutes are posted on the bulletin board.</p>
Tuesday	<p>No Women's Bible Study.</p>
Wednesday	<p>7:00 pm Theatre of the Beat presents "Yellow Bellies," a drama about Mennonite conscientious objectors during World War II; Wildwood Mennonite Church. Attendance is by donation.</p> <p>No Men's Study.</p>
Friday	<p>7:00 pm Academy of Discipleship invites you to A Conversation on Peace II, to discuss Christian contributions to world peace with Dr. Walter Klaassen and Dr. Roger Epp; Mount Royal Mennonite. To register, call Walter at 306-975-0062 or visit academyofdiscipleship.org.</p> <p>7:30 pm Musical Jam Session; lounge. Bring your instruments and voices for an evening of singing popular songs.</p>
Sat.	<p>1:00-4:00 pm The Bridge Fellowship Centre invites us to Family Fun Day; Bacon & Bannock, Pig roast, games for the family.</p> <p>5:00 pm RJC Annual Corporation Meeting - RJC Chapel. We invite all members of our constituency to attend.</p> <p>6:00 pm RJC Homecoming Dinner; reserve complimentary tickets by calling the RJC school office at 306-232-4222 or by email at office@rjc.sk.ca.</p>

Coming Up

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October 27	<p>6:30 pm Mennonite Disaster Service Saskatchewan Unit awareness event at Neuanlage Grace Mennonite Church. Call Ike Epp at 306-342-4344 to reserve plates for supper.</p> <p>7:00 pm Academy of Discipleship invites you to A Conversation on Peace II, to discuss Christian contributions to world peace with Ruth Klaassen and Archbishop Don Bolen; Mount Royal Mennonite. To register, call Walter at 306-975-0062 or visit academyofdiscipleship.org.</p>
October 28	<p>Equipping Ourselves to Refresh, Refocus, Renew; workshop at Zoar Mennonite Church, Waldheim. Registration forms on our mailbox table.</p>
October 29	<p>2:30 pm Classical Music Afternoon at NPMC. Please bring dainties for the fellowship coffee following the program.</p>
November 1	<p>5:30 pm Shekinah Chili Supper at Osler Mennonite Church. Come join us for a night of food and fellowship, and grandma's chili! An update will be given on Shekinah and the new <u>Timber Frame Cabin Project</u>, with entertainment by Zac Schellenberg. Entrance by donation, everyone welcome.</p>
November 3	<p>6:00 pm Bethany Manor's Dinner & Variety Show; for tickets call the Bethany office 306-242-9019 or email jan@b55.ca.</p>
November 3, 4	<p>A Women's Retreat: <i>Embrace Your Calling.</i> Shekinah Retreat Centre; see poster for cost details. Register at www.mcsask.ca/mc-sask-events or call 306-249-4844.</p>
Nov. 4	<p>8:45am-4:00pm The MCC Saskatchewan Encounter & AGM will be held at Cornerstone Church. Join us for worship, listen to stories and reporting, and attend workshops. Guest Speaker: Bruce Guenther, MCC Canada Disaster Response Director. Registration forms in mailboxes.</p>
November 5	<p>Noon Potluck following the service: A-H, bring salad and dessert, help clean-up; I-Z, bring sandwiches, help set-up.</p>
November 11	<p>2:00 pm Peace Perspective: Walter Klaassen, retired Professor, will speak on: "You Cannot Serve God and War: Benediction & Sacrilege". Bethany Manor Fellowship Centre.</p>

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.

Two Important Requests – Please help if you can.

******Shekinah Retreat Centre** could use our help. Fall is always tight, financially, with the expenses of summer camp needing to be paid, and the revenue from school group bookings not yet coming in. But more than just asking for our donations, they are hoping to build (and perhaps re-build) relationships. Below are two ways they are specifically asking congregations to consider helping. Both, of course, involve food, because what are Mennonites if not people who love to come together and eat!

1. Host a Supper Fundraiser – We come to you! Join us for the chili supper at Osler Mennonite Church on November 1 at 5:30 pm.

2. Come to Shekinah for your Christmas Banquet – You come to us! See the bulletin board for details or contact Shekinah at 1-306-945-4929.

******Volunteer(s) needed to help Frank & Irma Gerbrandt** on Sunday mornings--meet them in the parking lot at 10:45 to assist with entering the church and then departure. Please contact the church office if you are able to help.

Announcements

The 2017-2018 Telephone Directory is in church mailboxes.

Service Project: Are you interested in Mennonite Disaster Service? Garry & Glenis Koop are planning a several week stint in January or February 2018 in Puerto Rico rebuilding from hurricane Irma; dates are flexible. If interested in joining them on this MDS project, contact the Koops at 306-665-8011.

Cheshire Homes of Saskatoon is a nonprofit organization that operates four group homes for adults with physical disabilities. We are looking for individuals to participate on our Board of Directors. If you are interested please contact Don Klaassen for more information at dklaassen@shaw.ca or 306-477-0521.

Calling all alumni to join us at the AIRJC Homecoming Banquet, October 21st to perform a few numbers in an Alumni Choir under the direction of Duff Warkentin. Music will be chosen and available ahead of time and there will be one practice leading up to the performance. If you are interested, please contact Tammy Forrester at tammy.forrester@rosthernjuniorcollege.ca

Acts 15:5-20

⁵But some believers who belonged to the sect of the Pharisees stood up and said, 'It is necessary for them to be circumcised and ordered to keep the law of Moses.'
⁶The apostles and the elders met together to consider this matter. ⁷After there had been much debate, Peter stood up and said to them, 'My brothers, you know that in the early days God made a choice among you, that I should be the one through whom the Gentiles would hear the message of the good news and become believers. ⁸And God, who knows the human heart, testified to them by giving them the Holy Spirit, just as he did to us; ⁹and in cleansing their hearts by faith he has made no distinction between them and us. ¹⁰Now therefore why are you putting God to the test by placing on the neck of the disciples a yoke that neither our ancestors nor we have been able to bear? ¹¹On the contrary, we believe that we will be saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus, just as they will.' ¹²The

whole assembly kept silence, and listened to Barnabas and Paul as they told of all the signs and wonders that God had done through them among the Gentiles. ¹³After they finished speaking, James replied, 'My brothers, listen to me. ¹⁴Simeon has related how God first looked favourably on the Gentiles, to take from among them a people for his name. ¹⁵This agrees with the words of the prophets, as it is written, ¹⁶"After this I will return, and I will rebuild the dwelling of David, which has fallen; from its ruins I will rebuild it, and I will set it up, ¹⁷so that all other peoples may seek the Lord—even all the nations over whom my name has been called. Thus says the Lord, who has been making these things ¹⁸known from long ago." ¹⁹Therefore I have reached the decision that we should not trouble those Gentiles who are turning to God, ²⁰but we should write to them to abstain only from things polluted by idols and from fornication and from blood.

Care Group Lunches: October 15--Gr. 2; October 22--Gr. 1; October 29--Gr. 3; November 19--Gr. 4; November 26--Gr. 1
December 3--Gr. 5

Saskatoon Food Bank Most Needed Items: Breakfast cereals, Baked beans