

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

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**11:00 a.m.**

No. 42

Worship Leader: Lorraine Harder  
Accompanist & Song Leaders: Lorene Nickel,  
Fern Stockdale Winder, Lynn Driedger  
Greeter: Charlene Sorensen  
Ushers: Joan & Bob Sawatzky

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Welcome

Invocation

Gathering Hymn **All Creatures Of Our God And King** HWB No. 48

Lighting of the Peace Lamp **Brother & Sisters Of Mine** HWB No. 142

Children's Time/Song **God Loves A Picnic** insert

Joys and Concerns

Offertory Prayer and Offering

Hymn **What Does The Lord Require** HWB No. 409

Scripture Luke 18:1-8

Sermon **Never Give Up: Faith as Tenacity** Elaine Enns

Ched Myers

**This Is A Day Of New Beginnings** HWB No. 640

Congregational Prayer

Sending Hymn **God, Who Stretched** HWB No. 414

Benediction

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We welcome Elaine Enns and Ched Myers  
to our service this morning.



*This image is a photoarrah by Stephen McDougall given to Lorna Standingready in 2014.*

## Spotlight on Saskatchewan Indigenous Cultural Centre (SICC).

Founded in 1972 the SICC was the first First Nations controlled educational institution serving at the provincial level. The Centre strives to maintain the cultural identity of First Nations cultures who inhabit what is now known as Saskatchewan: Plains Cree, Swampy Cree, Woodlands Cree, Dene, Nahkawe (Saulteaux), Dakota, Nakota and Lakota.

### This Week

Today	8:55 am	<b>Contemplative Prayer</b> in the sanctuary.
	9:25 am	<b>Choir rehearsal</b> for all ages.
	9:45 am	<b>Adult Ed: <i>Doing Theology Through Poetry. How does a poem mean?</i></b> Facilitator is Edna Froese.
	9:45 am	<b>Faith Conversations</b> in the library. Childcare provided.
	11:00 am	<b>Worship</b> ; Elaine Enns and Ched Myers speaking on the Calls to Action for churches from the TRC. Creative church-Emmaus-surprises acting out the story
	Noon	<b>Care Group 2 lunch</b> ; visitors are welcome to join us.
Monday	2:00 pm	<b>Ecumenical Bible Study.</b>
	6:00 pm	<b>Worship meeting.</b>
	7:00 pm	<b>Board meeting</b> ; the agenda and August approved minutes are posted on the bulletin board.
Tuesday	10:00 am	<b>Women's Bible Study.</b>
Friday	7:00 pm	<b>Bryan Moyer Suderman Sing Along</b> ; Wildwood Mennonite Church, free admission.
	7:30 pm	<b>Musical Jam Session</b> ; lounge. Bring your instruments and voices for an evening of singing popular songs.
Saturday		<b>Equipping Day</b> at Mount Royal Mennonite; deadline has been extended to noon tomorrow! Registration forms at the MC Sask website <a href="http://www.mcsask.ca">www.mcsask.ca</a> under the coming events tab. Cost is \$40 for earlybird and \$50 after noon on Monday – register today!
	5:00 pm	<b>Rosthern Junior College Annual Corporation Meeting</b> in the chapel.
	6:00 pm	<b>Rosthern Junior College Fundraising &amp; Appreciation Dinner.</b>

### Coming Up

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	11:00 am	<b>Worship</b> ; Patrick Preheim speaking on the relationship between congregational unity and communion.
	2:30 pm	<b>Bryan Moyer Suderman Sing Along</b> ; Eigenheim Mennonite Church, free admission.
Oct. 24	10:00 am	<b>Caregivers Group</b> in the lounge.

Oct 27-29

**Prairie Centre for Ecumenism** Fall Ecumenical Conference at Lutheran Theological Seminary. To register [admin@pceecumenism.ca](mailto:admin@pceecumenism.ca) or 306-653-1633. October 28-Oktoberfest at German Cultural Centre. See the bulletin boards for further information.

Oct. 28

6:30 pm **Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) Saskatchewan Awareness Supper**, held at Nutana Park Mennonite Church. Come hear about MDS from Ross Penner, Director MDS Region V (Canada) Operations. Call 306-342-4344 for reservations.

Oct. 28, 29

**Rosthern Junior College** Alumni volleyball/soccer weekend! Soccer is Saturday only - meet in Rehearsal Hall at 10:00 and bring a white and dark t-shirt and \$5.00. Email Denelda at [deneldafast@hotmail.com](mailto:deneldafast@hotmail.com) by October 24th to register for volleyball. A delicious lunch will be available in the Rehearsal Hall between 11-1:00.

Oct. 29

10 – 3:00pm **Craft Sale at Bethany Manor.** Door prize proceeds for Bethany Manor recreational activities.

Oct. 30

Noon **Potluck** following the service: A-H, bring a pot of soup, help with clean-up; I-Z, bring buns and dessert, help with set-up.

**Caregivers Group:** Several years ago a small group of the NPMC community who were caregiving for a family member began meeting once a month to share their experiences and support each other. The Caregivers group will meet again on Monday morning, 10:00 am on October 24th in the lounge. If you are caregiving for partner or parent or have someone in long term care, you are welcome to join us. The gathering is informal and there is no program or leadership. It is about holding each other's hands through a difficult time.

#### A few words from our Buildings & Grounds Deacon:

1) After the service today, **all hymnals must be removed from the pews.**

Please take them with you as you leave the sanctuary and place them on the table in the foyer. Also, if you are able, please stay for 20 minutes and lend a hand moving pews out of the sanctuary into the education wing in preparation for the installation of flooring this week. Thanks in advance for your help!

2) **Winter has come and snow blowing will need to begin.** However, our shed is still not in working order, which makes it difficult for our volunteer snow crew to get their work done, as they must haul the machine back and forth to the church. The job will consist of installing a new door with deadbolt, and potentially residing the shed, in addition to adding a motion sensor light. If there is a volunteer or team of volunteers who would like to take on this project in the near future, please get in contact with Joel at 306-341-4055.

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

### Children's Song: "God Loves a Picnic" by Bryan Moyer Suderman

*Refrain:* God loves a picnic, yes, God does,  
God loves a picnic, yes, God does,  
God loves a picnic, yes, God does.  
Let's all go to the picnic.

#### Verse one

The people fled from Egypt, yes they did  
The people fled from Egypt, yes they did  
They wandered in the desert, yes they did  
And God gave them a picnic.

#### Verse two

The people followed Jesus, yes they did  
The people followed Jesus, yes they did  
Crowds and crowds of people, yes they did  
And Jesus gave them a picnic.

#### Verse three

We follow Jesus, yes we do  
We follow Jesus, yes we do  
And tell all our friends to come on, too  
And join us for God's picnic!

### Luke 18:1-8

1 Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, 'In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. <sup>3</sup>In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, "Grant me justice against my opponent." <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, "Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow

keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming." ' <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'

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## Youth Announcements

**Discussion group**-Tuesdays from 7:00pm to 8:30pm for youth in Grades 7-12.  
**October 28:** Mega-Menno Halloween Event hosted by Wildwood Church.  
7pm-9pm and \$2/person. Costumes are encouraged but not required.

Rebecca Breen is our newest youth member and we are welcoming her with a bible. To show our support, please consider writing a kind message or a bible verse in her bible, which will be on a table near the kitchen in the lobby for everyone to sign.

**Forever in Motion** exercise class will be cancelled for this week.

If you are not receiving the **Canadian Mennonite** and would like to be on the mailing list, let Helen know (306-374-2144) as soon as possible. If you wish to receive it by email, send your e-mail address to [office@canadianmennonite.org](mailto:office@canadianmennonite.org) to subscribe to the digital version.

This fall, Patrick and Susanne invite any youth and adults who are interested to gather with us for "**Faith Conversations**" in the church library during the Sunday morning adult education hour 9:45-10:45, beginning today. This will be a time for informal conversation and questions about God, faith, the church, peace and justice, and so on, which we will explore together. Bring your enthusiasm, skepticism, and everything in between! Childcare will be provided.

The **Station Singers** are presenting a special Remembrance Day concert. Karl Jenkins "The Armed Man: A mass for Peace", is a powerful compelling account of the descent into and the terrible consequences of war. It will be presented at Rosthern Mennonite Church Sat., Nov 12 at 7:30 pm and at Grace Westminster United Church (Saskatoon) Sun., Nov 13, 2:30 pm. Tickets are available at the door, Station Arts Centre, McNally Robinson, and from choir members. Adults \$20, Students \$10 and children 12 and under \$5.

**Friendship Inn** is asking for **donations** for personal care items and clothing. See the bulletin board for what is needed or go to [friendshipinn.ca](http://friendshipinn.ca). Drop off at 619-20th St. W or phone 306-242-5122.

**Updated Care Group Lists are now posted in the education wing.** Care Groups were formed nearly two decades ago to encourage and enhance intergenerational relationships and essentially "care" for each other. It was up to each group at the time (we started with everyone in the congregation assigned into 10 large groups) to discern what they thought would be valuable in addition to this mandate, be it welcoming newcomers, book studies, mission projects, clean-up projects around the church, etc. Care Groups have evolved over time and currently there are five groups of varying sizes. Each one functions as they see fit for those in the group. If you are not part of a Care Group and you would like to be, please add your name to one of the groups.

**Bethany Manor** is looking for caring people who are willing and able to volunteer for serving meals in our Dining Room. This is your chance to get some light exercise while helping our Bethany Manor Community. Enjoy a free meal each time you serve plus you don't have to do the dishes! Please contact Jennifer Bulka at 306-380-7920 or [jbulka@b55.ca](mailto:jbulka@b55.ca) if you would like to hear more about this opportunity to get involved.

**Saskatoon Food Bank Most Needed Items:**  
**Fruit Juice, Peanut butter**  
(The big blue bin in the Education Wing)

### Care Group Noon Lunches at NPMC

October 23	Group 1	November 27	Group 1
November 6	Group 3	December 4	Group 5
November 13	Group 4		