

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

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Worship Leaders: Susanne Guenther Loewen and Patrick Preheim
Accompanist: Susan Ens Funk
Greeters: Annette Epp & Jim Flath
Ushers: Pat & Kurt Sawatzky

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Welcome and Announcements

Invocation/Call to Worship

Hymn **What Is This Place** HWB No. 1

Children's Time

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Offering & Offertory

Hymn **What Wondrous Love Is This** HWB No. 530

Scripture **from Romans 8** HWB No. 849

Membership Transfer

**Sharing by Dave, Jenna and Zach**

**Reaffirmation of Faith** HWB No. 794

Hymn **You've Got A Place** StJ No. 4

Service of Communion

Sending Hymn **Praise God From Whom** HWB No. 118

Benediction

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*Many grains become one loaf;
many grapes become one drink,
- Dirk Philips 1558*

Spotlight on Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

AMBS is hosting a six week on-line short course on "Understanding Anabaptist Approaches to Scripture". This online non-credit course will run from Oct. 25 - Dec. 12. In the 16th century, Anabaptists approached Scripture in ways that were both similar to and different from their fellow Catholics and other Protestants.

This course will seek to understand those similarities and differences in light of today. Learn more at: www.ambs.edu/news-events/calendar/1177690/anabaptist-short-course-understanding-anabaptist-approaches-to-scripture

This Week

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| Today | 8:55 am | Contemplative Prayer in the sanctuary. |
| | 9:25 am | Choir rehearsal for all ages. |
| | 9:45 am | Adult Ed ; <i>Listening, Living Together and Loving One Another Even When We Don't Agree: Acquiesce without talking about it.</i> Facilitated by Rachel Regier. |
| Monday | 11:00 am | Worship ; membership transfer and communion. |
| | 11:15 am | Sunday School age 4-11 years; childcare age 1-3 years. |
| | 2:00 pm | Ecumenical Bible Study ; lounge. |
| | 7:00 pm | Board meeting in the lounge. The Agenda and June approved minutes are posted on the bulletin board. |
| Tuesday | 10:00 am | Women's Bible Study ; lounge. |
| Thursday | 7:00 pm | Men's Study, Exploratory Session in the lounge. |
| Friday-Sunday | | Weekend of crafting at Shekinah's (not just a) Quilting & Scrapbooking Retreat. |

Coming Up

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| Next Sunday | 8:55 am | Contemplative Prayer in the sanctuary. |
| | 9:25 am | Choir rehearsal for all ages |
| | 9:45 am | Adult Ed ; <i>Listening, Living Together and Loving One Another Even When We Don't Agree: Exit and strategy, forcing the issue.</i> Facilitated by Valerie Epp. |
| Next Sun. | 10:30 am | Worship at Shekinah Retreat Centre at the chalet, potluck following service. Please bring a main dish (sandwiches or casserole) AND a salad or dessert. Come out and enjoy the day. Contact Denelda at 306-221-2846 for information. |
| | 11:00 am | Worship at NPMC ; Susanne Guenther Loewen speaking. No Children's Sunday School at NPMC. |
| | 2:30 pm | Rosthern Junior College Opening Program ; RJC gym. |
| Sept. 25 | 10:00 am | Caregivers Group meeting in the lounge. |
| Sept. 28 | 5:00-7:00 pm | Youth Farm Bible Camp's Fall Supper fundraiser; admission by donation. |
| October 1 | Noon | Potluck following worship; A-H, bring casserole, help set-up; I-Z, bring salad and dessert, help cleanup. |
| October 18 | 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 and NPMC is one of the sponsors of this event. |

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 at 10:00 am in the lounge on the last Monday of the month. 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. If you would like to know more about the group, phone the church office and they will direct you to someone.

Canadian Mennonite subscriptions: All who attend Nutana Park Mennonite may receive a subscription to *Canadian Mennonite*. The biweekly magazine is delivered in print, by email, or both. Subscriptions are paid for through NPMC. To start a new subscription or switch to digital-only, please contact Helen by September 29.

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

The telephone directory is posted in the church foyer – please check your name and update our directory.

MCC Connects: Please help MCC respond to Hurricane Irma damage in Cuba and Haiti! Hurricane Irma tore roofs from houses in Cuba and dashed houses to the ground. In Haiti, Irma's rain turned into flash floods that rushed into houses and caused families to escape in waist-high water. In both countries, crops, gardens and livestock were destroyed. Your gift to Mennonite Central Committee helps people in Cuba rebuild and people in Haiti recover. You can donate online at mcccanada.ca/hurricane-irma. Donations can also be made by calling 1-888-622-6337 or contact the MCC office.

Saskatoon Church Curling League: join the league at the Granite Curling Club on Wednesday evenings at 8:45 pm from October until March, 2018. Phone Glade Penner at 306-955-1009 or gppenner@sasktel.net.

Mennonite Church Sask will be holding Pre-MC Canada Assembly Information Meetings throughout the province: Tuesday, Sept. 19, 7:30pm at Zion Mennonite Church, Swift Current; Wednesday, Sept. 27, 7:30pm at Eigenheim Mennonite Church; and Thursday, Sept. 28, 7:30pm at the MCC Centre in Saskatoon. These meetings are for delegates and others seeking clarification and information regarding the Special Assembly in Winnipeg, and in particular, the Discernment Guide, which can be downloaded online.

Ride for Refuge - September 30: MC Sask has three teams participating this year in the Ride for Refuge, and are looking for your help. Rosthern Rouleurs are raising money for MC Canada Witness Workers in China, Wild Riders are raising funds for MC Canada Witness workers in Germany and the Tiefen-grunters are raising money for MC Canada. Follow the link below to make a donation in support of your team of choice.

<https://rideforrefuge.org/charity/mennonitechurchca>

Wild Riders (Wildwood Mennonite Church)

Rosthern Rouleurs (Rosthern Mennonite Church)

Tiefen-grunters (Tiefengrund Mennonite Church)

Walk the Talk Teach-In. Come and join us at St. Thomas More College Auditorium, Friday, October 6 at 7pm, to learn more about The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) Bill C-262. This town hall meeting will provide opportunity to learn about the importance of UNDRIP in the journey towards reconciliation and to participate in a post card campaign to encourage Members of Parliament to adopt this bill. To learn more go to www.pfir.ca. This event is sponsored by St. Thomas More College, MC Canada, & MC Sask.

Mega Menno Youth Kick-Off, September 30th, 7:00pm, Nutana Park Mennonite Church. Open to youth in grades 6-12, we will start the year with a fun night of bundling up with sleeping bags and hot chocolate, and watching a movie outside. Cost is \$2/person, friends welcome!

Equipping Ourselves to Refresh, Refocus, Renew is the theme for our 2017 Equipping Day on **Oct 28** at Zoar Mennonite Church, Waldheim. Everyone is invited to come and participate in workshops on a variety of themes. Here is an example: **"The Juggling Act of Life** We are busy, and the 'To Do' list is often long. Add to that a desire to spend time in prayer or with Scripture, and there really don't seem to be enough hours in the day. This workshop will explore the need to name reality and let go of guilt, and offer thoughts on how to find balance as we juggle the many pieces of life." Watch for registration coming soon!

Job Opening: **Parkland Restorative Justice** in Prince Albert is seeking a CoSA Co-ordinator. For job description please see parklandrestorativejustice.com or contact Heather Driedger at 306 763-6224. Closing date for applications is September 30.

Saskatoon Food Bank Most Needed Items: Flour, rice; Canned vegetables