

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

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10:00 a.m.

No. 35

Worship Leader: Denelda Fast
Accompanist: Lorene Nickel
Song Leader: Lynn Driedger
Greeters: Darleen Pratt & Richard Letkeman
Ushers: Marlene & Dave Froese

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Prelude  
Greetings and Announcements  
Call to Worship  
Gathering Hymn **For The Beauty Of The Earth** HWB No. 89  
Lighting of the Peace Lamp  
Children's Time  
Offering  
Psalm Reading Psalm 65:9-13  
Hymn **As Rain From The Clouds** StJ No. 40  
Joys and Concerns  
Prayer of the People  
Scripture Deuteronomy 24:19-22  
Hymn **For The Fruit Of All Creation** HWB No. 90  
Sermon **Theology of Food** Gordon Enns  
Patrick Preheim  
Benediction  
Sending Hymn **Great Is Thy Faithfulness** HWB No. 327

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*God's Offering
Our Offering*

Spotlight on Saskatoon's Urban Agriculture Plan

Participants are wanted for meetings being held in Saskatoon as a part of a research project on urban agriculture through the U of S College of Nursing; they wish to create an urban agriculture plan for Saskatoon that can increase access to quality, affordable food. See the bulletin board for meetings taking place in your ward. Email urban.ag.research.sk@gmail.com or call 306-966-5429 to participate.

We thank those in our congregation for giving their gifts to the Bethany Manor Anniversary celebration this afternoon: **Carolene Funk** for a cake donated to the cake auction and **Ron Peters, Lynn Driedger and Bob Neufeldt** for providing music.

This Week

- Today** **10:00 am** Worship: Gordon Enns and Patrick Preheim speaking on food and faith.
 1:30 pm **Palliative Care Walk of Memories**; please join the walk to remember loved ones beginning at Kiwanis Memorial Park to the Edwards Family Centre. Walk begins at 2:00pm; Refreshments at 3:00pm.
 3:00 pm Bethany Manor 30th Anniversary celebration in the backyard; bring a lawn chair if possible. Entrance at #120 LaRonge Road and #211 Pinehouse Drive. Street parking or overflow at Lawson Heights Alliance Church, 159 Pinehouse Dr.
- Thursday** **7:00 pm** **Kick-Off Youth Gathering** at NPMC. Parents and Youth are invited to attend to hear about plans for the fall and share thoughts on the up-coming session.

**NOTE NEW TIME FOR WORSHIP
Starting September 11**

**9:45am Adult Education
11:00am Worship Service
Noon Potluck**

Coming Up

- Next Sun. Sept. 10** **10:00 am** Worship; Susanne Guenther Loewen speaking.
 11:00 am **Fall Family Festival** at the **Youth Farm Bible Camp & Corn Maze** - Car Show, Scarecrow Display, Corn Maze, Wagon Rides, Kids Activities, Music, Food Booths, and the Dedication of the Joyce Adrian Jumping Pillow (3:00). We will be open from 11:00-8:00.
- Sept. 11** **Noon** **Sausage on a bun potluck**; A-H, bring dessert, help with clean-up; I-Z, bring salad, help with set-up.
- Sept. 18** **10:30 am** **Shekinah Retreat**; worship, communion, potluck. Spend the day enjoying Shekinah; we will have a wiener roast at 5:00 pm.

Sept. 18 11:00 am **Worship at NPMC**; Patrick Preheim speaking.
Sept. 23-25 **(Not just a) Quilting and Scrapbooking Retreat** at Timber Lodge at Shekinah! Come enjoy a weekend retreat even if you don't scrapbook or quilt -- you are welcome to paint, knit, take photos or even just relax and visit! Brochures and information are available at www.shekinahretreatcentre.org or call the office at 306-945-4929 to register!

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.

Deuteronomy 24:19-22

"When you reap your harvest in your field and forget a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it; it shall be left for the alien, the orphan, and the widow, so that the LORD your God may bless you in all your undertakings. When you beat your olive trees, do not strip what is left; it shall be for the alien, the orphan, and the widow. When you gather the grapes of your vineyard, do not glean what is left; it shall be for the alien, the orphan, and the widow. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt; therefore I am commanding you to do this."

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Wendell Berry

Money does not bring forth food. Neither does the technology of the food system. Food comes from nature and from the work of people. If the supply of food is to be continuous for a long time, then people must work in harmony with nature. That means that people must find the right answers to a lot of hard practical questions To be interested in food but not in food production is clearly absurd.

We cannot know the whole truth, which belongs to God alone, but our task nevertheless is to seek to know what is true. And if we offend gravely enough against what we know to be true, as by failing badly enough to deal affectionately and responsibly with our land and our neighbors, truth will retaliate with ugliness, poverty, and disease.

Care Group Noon Lunches at NPMC

Sept. 25	Group 1	November 13	Group 4
October 16	Group 2	November 27	Group 1
October 23	Group 1	December 4	Group 5
November 6	Group 3		

**Saskatoon Food Bank Most Needed Items:
Soups, canned or dry; Canned fruit
(The big blue bin in the Education Wing)**

Announcements

The NPMC Donation Statements (January 1, 2016–July 31, 2016) are in mailboxes.

Women's Retreat -- *A Faith Journey: Exploring our journey of faith through story, song and action* -- on **October 14 & 15 at Shekinah Retreat Centre**; see the bulletin board for more information and for registration forms.

The TRC Calls Churches to Action: October 14-16 at St. Andrews College. Join us to explore how the Canadian TRC Report impacts Indigenous/Settler relations, and enjoins Christian communities to build right relations. For more information go to www.bcm-net.org/BI or contact inquiries@bcm-net.org. Check out the poster on education wing bulletin board.

MCC Connects: MCCS supports community-led, volunteer-based restorative justice organizations in Regina, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, and surrounding communities. If you feel called to become involved in these restorative justice ministries, or would like more information about restorative justice, please contact Heather Peters at HeatherPeters@mccsk.ca or 306.665.2555.

Sonrisa women's choir invites all interested singers to our first rehearsal of Vivaldi's Gloria. Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday September 14th from 6:30-8:00 at Nutana Park Mennonite Church. Whole hearted singing from the midst of community is what we participate in at weekly Wednesday evening rehearsals. Come join us! For further information please contact Lynne Driedger-Enns (gord.lynne@sasktel.net)

RJC REGISTRATION DAY, Sunday, September 4: Applications are still being accepted for the 2016-2017 school year at Rosthern Junior College! Please contact Valerie White in Admissions -- 306 232-4222 or admissions@rjc.sk.ca if you would like more information and to arrange a tour. **Registration Day** is Sunday, September 4, 1:00-5:00 pm for all students. Classes begin Monday, September 5.

Youth Announcements

From Mennonite Church Saskatchewan:

Monopoly Rally youth kick-off event, September 9. 6:30pm, Mount Royal Mennonite Church, Saskatoon. For youth in grades 6-12, this fun event includes driving to various locations, playing Monopoly, and completing crazy challenges - all in an effort to be the first team back and win the prize! Groups must have adult drivers. *For more info, contact Kirsten at MC Sask, or check out [the SMYO website and Facebook page](#); 306-249-4844, youthminister@mcsask.ca*