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Call for RJC alumni & friends to join virtual choirs: We invite anyone interested to join one or both of the virtual alumni & friends choirs that Richard Janzen is putting together for RJC's upcoming Virtual Choirs & Cakes fundraiser event on March 14. There will be a mass choir (alumni, friends, greater community, & RJC students) and an alumni & friends choir. All are welcome. If you are interested in singing, email richard@rjc.sk.ca.

Face2Face | Who Cares? The elderly among us... A global pandemic is shining a light on our assumptions about the elderly among us. COVID-19 has exposed cracks in our systems of care, and shed light on our understandings of aging, revealing how we value older adults in our communities. How might we listen anew to the voice and resilience of older adults, and how could such listening reshape our imagination and understanding? Join us on Zoom for a panel conversation with a Personal Care Home Executive, along with a number of seniors, including an Indigenous Elder. Wednesday, February 24, 7:00 – 8:30 pm.

MCC Connects: Our shipment of hygiene kits is scheduled to leave the warehouse this week. Help meet the urgent needs of families by donating a hygiene kit today. Drop off supplies at the MCC Saskatchewan Centre, or donate funds by contacting us by phone: (306) 655-2555 or email: saskoffice@mccsk.ca. For information on what makes up a hygiene kit, visit <https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/kits/hygiene>.

Save the Date – MC Sask Virtual Youth Retreat – March 27. We are PUMPED to be planning a one-day, online gathering for youth! With games, cool hang-out spaces, a speaker, coffeehouse, and a one-of-a-kind virtual layout of Shekinah, we are excited to be bringing youth together again. Mark your calendars, and watch for more information coming soon!

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



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Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory

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In-Person and Live Stream Worship Service

Worship Leader: Anita Retzlaff

Accompanist: Joanne Ewert

Song Leader: Nicole Tiessen

Ushers: Hedio and Ross Borne

Service of Shadows: Ryan Orlaw and Natasha Orlaw

Prelude

Call to Worship

Welcome and Announcement

Invocation

Hymn:

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

HWB No. 327

Service Of Shadows

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Hymn:

I Want Jesus To Walk With Me

VT No. 306

Psalms Reading:

Psalms 25:1-10

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Scripture Reading:

Genesis 9:8-17

Children's Time

Scripture Reading:

Mark 1:9-15

Peter 3:18-22

Hymn:

Water Has Held Us

STJ No. 82

Sermon:

The Memory Of God

Patrick

Hymn:

The Love Of God

STJ No. 44

Benediction

Service of Shadows

This lent our service of shadows will serve as a prayer of confession and words of assurance.

Reader 1: Too often, Oh, God, we find ourselves in troubled waters. Economic, relational, health, and social concerns threaten to overwhelm us. We extinguish a candle aware of the burdens we carry. [extinguish a smaller candle]

(Silence-15 seconds)

Reader 2: God says to us: "I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you: the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal of the earth. Never again shall you or the earth be cut off by the waters of a flood."

Reader 1: Thanks be to God.

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Lent Devotionals: This year, we are providing two options: "Lent at Home" devotionals for 2021 from Mennonite Church USA and "Breaking the Chains," a devotional from The Salt Project. Both are intergenerational and have something for all ages! Please see the church website under "Sermons" to download or contact the church office for a paper copy.

Many of our congregational events have switched to being held on Zoom. If Zoom is new to you or you'd like a refresher in how to set it up and sign into a Zoom meeting, see this how-to video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9isp3qPeQ0E> or contact the church office for help. If you are also needing help with access to worship service on Sunday's please also contact the church office for direction. Thanks!

Voices Together: We give thanks for the generosity of the Ruth Hamm Endowment which made purchase of our Choir loft Voices Together possible. If you are interested in purchasing the new hymnal, Voices Together, please let our church office know. We will put together a group order and hope to take advantage of group order pricing if there is enough interest. Resources available include a book for worship leaders, large print edition, digital edition, and an accompaniment edition. For more details on the various resources and Canadian pricing go to: <http://voicestogetherhymnal.org/products/ordering-and-discounts/> **Please have your order in to the church office by March 15. Make sure to specify which VT resource you are requesting."**

Tax Receipts: Carmen has started emailing or mailing all donation tax receipts. Please watch for this to come and if you don't receive one please contact the office.

The Adult Education Committee is offering a book study on "Trouble I've Seen: Changing the Way the Church Views Racism", by Drew Hart, an Anabaptist African-American theologian from the US. Our next session will be on March 1st from 7:30-8:30 pm. In the third session we will begin discussing the book. Meetings are every other Monday, 7:30-8:30 pm on Zoom unless other church functions interfere. Any and all who are interested are welcome. Please contact Christie at the church office (npmc@npmc.net) to register.

Last chance to purchase NPMC masks: We have printed a limited-edition mask with our church logo on it to support the work of Prairie Harm Reduction. If you wish to purchase a mask for \$25 each please contact Christie in the church office at npmc@npmc.net or call 306-374-2144.

NEW UPDATES FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT! Please take note of WINTER FUN photos on the CHURCH LIFE page on the private side of our website.

Coming Up This Week

Sunday, February 21 at 11:00 am: Worship on Livestream. First Sunday of Lent. Patrick Offering the Sermon.

Sunday, February 21 at 3:00-4:00 pm: Weekly Coffee Hour on Zoom.

Monday, February 22 at 7:00 pm: NPMC Board Meeting on Zoom.

Tuesday, February 23 at 10:00 am: Women's Bible Study on Zoom.

Wednesday, February 24 at 7:00 pm: Men's Gathering on Zoom.

Sunday, February 28 at 11:00 am: Worship on Livestream. Lent 2.

Sunday, February 28 at 3:00-4:00 pm: Weekly Coffee Hour on Zoom.