

This Week

- Today** **9:25 am** **Choir rehearsal.**
9:30 am **Adult Ed:** *Politics & Religion: What have we learned?* Wrap up discussion; Rachel Regier facilitating.
10:15 am **Children's Sunday School.**
11:00 am **Worship; In Memoriam Sunday** - As pastoral staff read the names of the departed, a member of the family is invited forward to light a votive candle. Communion; Susanne Guenther Loewen speaking.
Noon **Care Group #1;** visitors are welcome to join us.
Tuesday **10:00 am** **Women's Bible Study.**
Wed. **7:00 pm** **Men's Study** – we will be talking about the origins and meaning of Christmas.
Thursday **2:00 pm** **Knitting Group** at the home of Ag Peters.

Coming Up

- Next Sun.** **9:25 am** **Choir rehearsal.**
9:30 am **Adult Ed:** *Blue Christmas; personal stories.*
10:15 am **Children's Sunday School.**
11:00 am **1 Advent Worship;** Edna Froese speaking.
Dec. 7 **9:30 – 12:00** **Peppernut Baking Bee!** Come out and roll snakes and cut peppernuts in preparation for our NPMC Christmas dinner. Contact Marlene if you have questions.
Dec. 8 **Noon** **Potluck;** A-H, bring salad and dessert for 10, help set-up; I-Z, bring a casserole for 10, help clean-up.
Dec. 15 **NPMC Christmas Dinner.** Please check your mailbox for details! The sign-up sheets are posted on the "Church Life" bulletin board in the education wing. Come one, come all.

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

November 24, 2019
In Memoriam Sunday

Vol. LIV

11:00 a.m.

No. 47

Worship Leader: Patrick Preheim
 Accompaniment: Kathy Peters
 Choir Leader: Jordan Wiens
 Scripture Reader: Alma Elias
 Greeter: Grace Kroeker
 Ushers: Joan & Bob Sawatzky

Opening Hymn	Holy, Holy, Holy!	HWB No. 120
Welcome, Announcements and Prayer		
Lighting of the Peace Lamp		
Special Music	Christus Factus Est	Choir
Joys & Concerns		
Congregational Prayer		HWB No. 718
Offering and Offertory	How They So Softly Rest	Choir
Hymn	Nothing Is Lost	StS No. 121
Children's Time		
Scripture		
Meditation		Susanne Guenther Loewen
In Memoriam		
Hymn	Holy God, We Praise Thy Name	HWB No. 121
Communion		
Benediction		
Sending Hymn	My Life Flows On	HWB No. 580

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## Announcements



### Christmas Concerts

**\*\*Saskatoon Men's Chorus** presents their concert *Together for Christmas*, **November 24 at 2:30 pm at Zion Lutheran Church**. Tickets are available at McNally Robinson booksellers, SMC members or at the door.

**\*\*The Saskatoon Choral Society** invite us to their Winter Concert on **November 24 at 2:30 pm at Grace Westminster United Church**. Tea & Silent auction to follow. Tickets available from McNally Robinson or from choir members.

**\*\*Lighthouse Benefit Christmas Concert, December 1 at 7:30 pm at Cornerstone Church**. The Saskatoon Symphony Orchestra, RJC choir, and Duff Warkentin are all involved, as well as inspiring stories from the staff and residents of The Lighthouse.

**\*\*Station Singers and the Saskatoon Brass Band** present "Gloria", a Christmas concert on **December 7 at Rosthern Mennonite Church at 7:30 pm** and on **December 8 at Christ Church Anglican in Saskatoon at 2:30 pm**. Tickets available from choir and band members as well as at McNally Robinson and Station Arts Centre.

**\*\*A Very Shekinah Christmas: December 8** - Come and enjoy some snacks, pose for our fun Christmas themed photo booth, and enjoy Christmas music with friends. **Doors open at 2pm**. Carol singing starts at 2:30pm with the concert portion beginning at 3pm. Musical Guests: Coro Nova choir & soloist Vic Krahn. Tickets: \$10 at the door.

**\*\*Rosthern Junior College: Concert #1: December 18, 7:30 pm at Knox United Church**. Concert #2: **December 20, 7:00 pm at RJC**. Admission is free; a collection will be taken in support of RJC. Everyone is welcome.

**\*\*Coro Nova Christmas Concert on December 21 at 7:00pm at Knox United Church**. Many of the singers are rooted in experiences at RJC, Sonrisa, and A Buncha Guys. Tickets \$10.00 at the door, Children are free.

#### Rosthern Junior College:

**\*\*RJC Spend-A-Day - Wednesday, November 27 at 9am-3:30pm.**

Experience a day-in-the-life of an RJC student. Attend class, chapel, enjoy lunch, and watch a performance by RJC's Theatre Arts class. Register by emailing Alex at [admissions@rjc.sk.ca](mailto:admissions@rjc.sk.ca) or call (306) 232-4222.

**\*\* Winter Theatre** - The Theatre Arts Class will present "A Lighter Shade of Noir" in the Pit Theatre on Thursday, **November 28 at 7:00 pm**. Tickets are \$5 and are on sale now. This play is appropriate for all audiences!

#### Care Group Potlucks and Church Potlucks:

**Dec. 1:** Group 4--noon; Group 6--3:00 pm **Dec 8:** Church Potluck; 3:00--Group 6

**Jan. 12:** Group 5 - Because of attendance, the date has changed from Dec. 22

#### November is Hospitality Month

The board of deacons is declaring November as Hospitality Month, encouraging us to host someone in our home.

The **Service Group** has chosen bell ringing for The Salvation Army as an Advent project. We have signed up from **2-8pm on Friday, December 6** at the Coop at Center Mall. If you would like to join in this endeavor, please sign up for an hour or two by contacting Patrick in the church office or Charlene Sorensen.

**We are having a special focus during Advent on EGADZ, an organization that benefits youth who are at risk.**

Please bring toiletries, winter wear or baby items to church. We are looking for:  
Deodorant (male and female), Toothbrushes/toothpaste and dental floss,  
Toques, Gloves and Mini Mitts, Socks, Individually wrapped Christmas candy,  
Baby receiving blankets, baby shampoo, lotion, baby bottles, thermometers, baby wipes, baby bath towels, teethingers, baby nail clippers, soothers.

**The children will collect the items during the offering and place them in the basket in the sanctuary.**

**MCC Connects:** *Circle of Grace* is the children's education component of the Archdiocese of Omaha's Safe Environment training. It serves the dual purpose of educating and informing children and youth about the value of positive relationships with God and others. Through *Circle of Grace*, adults assist children and youth to recognize that each of us lives within a Circle of Grace that holds our very essence in body, mind, heart, and soul. MCC Ontario has a licence to distribute this curriculum for use in Christian Education contexts throughout Canada. If you are interested in attending an information webinar on Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> from 12 - 2pm please RSVP to Heather Peters at [heatherpeters@mccsk.ca](mailto:heatherpeters@mccsk.ca) or 306.665.2555.

**MC Sask: Praying for Each Other:** Keep Jeannette Hanson, MC Canada Interim Witness Director, and Darryl Neustaedter Barg, MCM Assoc. Director of Communications, in your prayers, as they headed to Myanmar, Thailand and South Korea this past Wednesday. The two week trip is meant to capture, on video, some of the great work our International Witness Workers are doing.

**Food Bank (Blue Bin) Items: Soups (canned, dry), Canned fruit**

| Nutana Park Mennonite Church<br>October 31, 2019 |                   |                   |                   |
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|                                                  | Actual            | Budget            | Difference        |
|                                                  | Jan - Oct         | Jan - Oct         | Jan - Oct         |
| Revenue                                          | 338,291.41        | 350,500.00        | -12,208.59        |
| Expenses                                         | <u>336,378.05</u> | <u>350,500.00</u> | <u>-14,121.95</u> |
| Surplus (loss)                                   | <u>1913.36</u>    | <u>0.00</u>       | <u>1,913.36</u>   |

**Giving to NPMC:** Business cards for **E-Transfer instructions** are available in the basket on the foyer table.