

Coming Up

Sunday, March 24 at 10:00 am: Children's Sunday School
at 11:00 am: Worship Service, speaker Luke Bushman
Tuesday, March 26 at 10:00 am: Women's Bible Study
Wednesday, March 27 at 7:00 pm: Men's Group
Friday, March 29 at 7:00 pm: Good Friday Service
Sunday, March 31 at 9:30 am: Easter Brunch Potluck
at 11:00 am: Worship Service, speaker Patrick Preheim
Sunday, April 7 at 9:30 am: Adult Ed MAID Session 1 speakers will be Cory Neudorf and Lillian Thorpe will be presenting. Please see the insert for more information.

KIDS CORNER

Sunday School Schedule- 10:00- 10:45 am

April 21 - Preparing to help lead worship
April 28 - Practicing and leading our sections of the service
May 19 - Preparing to help lead worship
May 26 - Practicing and leading our sections of the service
June 23 - Preparing to help lead worship
June 30 - Practicing and leading our sections of the service

Children's Song

Momma said to me, "We're going on a walk", Momma said to me "We're going on a walk", Gonna walk in the light of God

Daddy said to me, "We're following the way, Daddy said to me, "We're following the way, Following the way of Christ.

My neighbour said to me "I'm standing with the Lord", My neighbour said to me "I'm standing with the Lord", My neighbour said to me "I'm standing with the Lord", Gonna stand with the Lord of Peace.

Chorus: And the way of Christ is to live with love in your heart for everyone.
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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 March 24, 2024 at 11:00 am

In Person and Live Stream Worship Service

Worship Leader: Audrey Kampen
Musicians: Sharon Klassen and Rhonda Krahn
Ushers: Nicole Tiessen and Gordon Peters

PALM SUNDAY

Prelude		
Welcome and Announcements		
Call to Worship		VT #885
Hymn of Praise	All Glory, Laud and Honour	VT#315
Lighting the Peace Lamp		
Hymn of Response	Between Darkness and Light	VT #808
Skit	Jerusalem News Network	NPMC Children
Children's Time		
Children's Song		Jake and Barb Ens
Hymn	Hosanna, Loud Hosanna	VT #313
Service of Shadows		
Hymn	Ride on, Ride on in Majesty	VT #316
Sharing in our Life as Community		
Congregational Prayer		
Special Music		Sharon and Rhonda
Scripture	Mark 10:46 - 11:11	
Reflection	Servant King	Luke Bushman
Offertory		
Benediction		
Sending Hymn	Jesus is Coming	VT #312
Postlude		

NPMC Announcements

BIG NEWS! We have decided to conduct the Weddings & Babes shower connections in a slightly different format in 2024. We would like to honour our couples shortly after their exciting news (engagement or birth of babe) rather than waiting until summer. We feel this is more timely and allows for more flexibility with regards to coordinating everyone's schedules. At the same time, we would like to include meals for our new parents as part of this process. With this in mind, we are looking for volunteers to prepare a meal for the two new babes (and their parents) that have recently been born and are connected to our congregation. We would like to offer meals to these couples in the next week or two. Please contact **Marlene @ 306 220 9409** or **306 668 4793** OR **Val @ 306 220 3668** OR **Denelda @ 306 221 2846** if you would like to participate in this way.

BIG NEWS! The Nutana Park Mennonite Church Annual General Meeting is scheduled to convene at 12:30 PM today, Sunday March 24th. Please bring a brown bag lunch so that we can share a meal prior to the meeting. We look forward to meeting together to finalize our 2023 business year. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Neufeldt or any member of the Board of Deacons.

March 29: Good Friday Tenebrae Service at 7:00 pm at NPMC. **There will not be a livestream of this service.**

March 31 at 9:30 am: Easter Brunch Potluck followed by Easter Sunday service. Please bring Easter baking, cheese and fruit. Volunteers are invited to help clean up afterwards.

April 7: Worship Service on April 7 will include membership transfers and communions=.

Community Announcements

April 6, 6:00 pm Shekinah Retreat Centre and Carmen Corner Meats are "Puttin on the Ribz '24. For more info and to purchase tickets see shekinahretreatcentre.org or call (306) 945-4929.

MCC Connects: As part of the Climate Action for Peace campaign, MCC has put together a free calendar of climate actions you can take each day in the month of April. Visit this link for actions, prayers, and other activities that can help address climate change: <https://mcc.org/what-we-do/initiatives/climate-change/climate-action-peace/get-involved/month-climate-action-peace>

MCC Connects: Attention gardeners! Do you start your plants from seed? If yes, then this message is for you - we are bringing the plant sale back to the MCC Relief Sale Festival and would love for you to help us out by donating bedding plants, vegetable

plants, shrubs, house plants or any other plants you love. Plant a few extra seeds, donate them to MCC and make a difference. If you are interested in partnering with us in this way, please contact Phyllis Goertz at p.goertz@sasktel.net or call the office at 306-665-2555. Keep an eye on our website mccskreliefsale.com for more updates.

For highlights, pictures and documents from the 2024 MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions visit <https://mcsask.ca/event/8602>

CERT (Climate Emergency Response Team): Yes, we can inspire change by being moderate and wise consumers. In this short (6 1/2 minutes) video, Annie Leonard explains how we can affect change beyond ourselves. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=olQdYXCKUv0>

Points of Progress

- 1) **Japan: Japanese schools are giving children days off to spend time with family.** In three prefectures, local governments are encouraging kids to take off up to three days of their choice per year. The goal is to improve the work-life balance for families in Japan, where many adults work or are on call through the weekend. The health ministry for years has recorded a link between Japan's long working hours and high rates of depression.
- 2) **World: From Kenya to Bolivia, countries are building "green roads"** to create hardier infrastructure and divert a precious resource for agricultural use. The Green Roads method builds on rainwater diversion techniques that have long been deployed by farmers in some developing countries.

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