

Coming Up This Week

Sunday, May 7 at 9:45 am: Understanding Gender and Sexual Diversity
at 11:00 am: NPMC Worship on Livestream followed by potluck
Tuesday, May 9 at 10:00 am: Women's Bible Study Spring Tea
Wednesday, May 10 at 7:00 pm: Men's Group (Pillars of Joy 5-8)
Sunday, May 14 at 9:45 am: Understanding Gender and Sexual Diversity
at 11:00 am: NPMC Worship on Livestream



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**Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory
May 7, 2023 at 11:00 am**

In Person and Live Stream Worship Service

Worship Leaders: Susanne Guenther Loewen and Patrick Preheim
Accompanists: Joanne Ewert and Lynn Driedger
Ushers: Kathleen Regier and James Friesen

We Gather

Prelude
Welcome, Announcements, Land Acknowledgement
Call to Worship
Hymn Here in this Place VT #10
Lighting the Peace Lamp

We Bless

Service of Child Dedication
- Sharing by parents
- Hymn Your Love is Amazing VT #96
- Children's Time
- Litany
Hymn Lord, we bring to you our children StJ #90

We Pray

Joys, Concerns, and Recognition of Offerings
Congregational Prayer

We Reflect on Scripture

Scripture Matthew 19: 13-15
Sermon A Blessings of the Children Patrick Preheim

We Go in Love to Serve

Prayer for the Meal
Benediction
Sung Benediction Go my children VT #830

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.

NPMC Announcements

May 7, today, Potluck after the church service:

A-H Please bring **Sandwiches** and help with Set-Up

I-Z Please bring **Salad & Dessert** and help with Clean-Up

May 9, 10 am Women's Bible Study Spring Tea in the lounge. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Coffee, tea and water will be provided. All NPMC women are welcome!

Our series on "**Understanding Gender and Sexual Diversity: Welcoming Conversations**" is continuing this Sunday at 9:45 in the lounge with a discussion on what this conversation means for our church community.

Members of the planning committee will lead us. All are welcome!

Resources, including the presentation from Dr. Loewen Walker last week, are available here: <http://www.npmc.net/understanding-gender-and-sexual-diversity.html>

Looking for exercise options? Our church building currently has two groups offering **community exercise programs** free of charge. Forever in Motion continues to meet on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 10 am in the Education Wing, offering gentle fitness training for older adults (50+). Inner Peace Yoga is also offering a weekly Yoga 4 Backs session on Tuesdays at 12-1 in the Education Wing. Led by experienced instructor Joelle, these sessions focus on back stretches and are ideal for beginners of all ages.

NPMC Students: Post Secondary bursaries are available - **deadline is June 30th.**

For a list of bursaries and the application form, please check the website under Resources / Bursaries. Once completed, you can forward the application form to npmc@npmc.net.

Community Announcements

May 7, today, @ 3pm The first warm-weather forest church of 2023. Bring your family or bring a friend and be present with the glory of God in outdoor worship at Shekinah. All are welcome!

May 11, 2-4 pm: The **Youth Farm Complex Auxiliary** is glad to announce that we will be hosting our **Annual May Day Tea and Cake Walk Fundraiser** this year in the Mennonite Nursing Home Auditorium. Admission is by donation. The proceeds from the Tea will go towards purchasing a Hot Towel Warmer for Sunrise Place. Everyone is welcome!

May 13 and May 14: North Sky Chorale present Light Music for Spring. Directed by Richard Janzen. May 13, 2:00 pm at Station Arts Centre in Rosthern and on May 14 at 3:00 pm at Knox United in Saskatoon. Electronic tickers \$20, cash at door \$25. See poster on bulletin board for more info.

May 27, 2023: RJC Golf Classic Join us at the Valley Regional Park in Rosthern for an afternoon of golf in support of RJC's athletics program. Beginning at 11:00am with registration, lunch and pre-game activities, with a shotgun start at 1:00pm. The evening will wrap up with a closing program and meal at the Station Arts Centre in Rosthern. Cost is \$175/golfer which includes lunch, cart, dinner & 18 holes. Register your team today! Visit rjc.sk.ca/golfclassic for more information and to register.

May 27, 7-9 pm Mega Menno-Run at Osler Mennonite Church. Join us for an evening of outdoor sneaking and fun as we bring past and present together in this classic Mennonite history game. For youth gr. 6-12, contact youthminister@mcsask.ca for more information.

June 20 -22 Decolonizing Our Churches: Reweaving our lives. Put on by the Saskatoon Theological Union at St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon. Details available at [Conference 2023 \(lutherantheological.ca\)](http://Conference2023.lutherantheological.ca)

Spring at CMU – If you missed the concert featuring the CMU Chamber Choir and the CMU Singers, you can still watch it online at cmu.ca/springatcmu.

Do you have any gently used, previously purchased Ten Thousand Villages items that you don't want to display anymore or don't have room for? MCC is looking for donations for a "Ten Thousand Villages Revisited" that we will have at our Relief Sale Festival on Saturday, June 17. If you have any items you would be willing to donate for this table, please drop them off at the Main Office or call 306-665-2555 for more information.