

Coming Up

Sunday, Oct 6 at 11:00 am: Worship Service, Patrick Preheim speaking
Tuesday, Oct 8 at 10:00 am: Women’s Bible Study
Wednesday, Oct 9 at 7:00 pm: Men’s Group: Core Value Reflections cont’d.
at 7:00 pm: Youth at NPMC
Thursday, Oct 10 at 7:00 pm: Kids Club and Choir
Sunday, Oct 13 at 11:00 am: Worship Service-- Immigration and Thanksgiving stories out of Pleasant Point Mennonite Church



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**Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory
October 6, 2024 at 11:00 am**

In Person and Online Worship Service
Worship Leader: Shenyce Buhler
Speaker: Patrick Preheim
Accompanist: Sue Schellenberg
Ushers: Anita Retzlaff and Ken Warkentin

Points of Progress

- 1) **Switzerland: Scientists invented a sweetener for chocolate using the cacao pod itself**, paving the way for a more sustainable treat. Combing an inner layer of the pod and the pulp, researchers created a sweet gel that makes a chocolate comparable to traditional dark chocolate in texture and flavor.
- 2) **Brazil: A “citizen map” using photos of individual flood experiences is helping people prepare for the next flood.** Citizens take photos of how they were impacted and send the pictures in. By combing the information gathered from pics and historic flood data, the scientists can predict how floods might move through communities and where to go for safety.

Children’s Song

Chorus:

For you gave me a heart and you gave me a smile,
You gave me Jesus and you made me your child,
And I just thank you, Creator for making me me.

Verse 1

If I were a butterfly, I’d thank you Lord for giving me wings.
If I were a robin in a tree, I’d thank you, Lord that I could sing.
If I were a fish in the sea, I’d wiggle my tail and I’d giggle with glee;
But I just thank you, Creator, for making me me

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.

Prelude		
Welcome and Announcement		
Opening Hymn	For the Beauty of the Earth	VT #120
Lighting the Peace Lamp		
Children’s Time		
Children’s Song	The Butterfly Song	
Joys and Concerns		
Congregational Prayer		
Offering and Offertory		
Hymn	All Creatures Worship God Most High	VT #81
Scripture	Psalm 8 Genesis 2: 18-20	
Sermon	Creation’s Story	Patrick Preheim
Hymn of Response	God Speaks to Us in Bird and Song	VT #539
Benediction		
Sending Hymn	The Garden Needs Our Tending Now	VT #788

NPMC Announcements

It's time for another **PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATE!** If you have never had a page/photo in the directory and you would like one, please submit photo and all pertinent information to Gwen in the office. If you have info or a photo you are wishing to update on your current page, please also submit all of this to Gwen. Please have all updates to the office by November 18th. If you have any questions, contact Denelda. Thank you!

There will be a potluck following the worship service on October 20. NPMC will provide the rice and we are asking that if your name ends in the following:

A-H Please bring a main dish to accompany the rice (enough for 10 people)

I-Z Please bring a salad and dessert

If you are able to help clean up following the potluck, that would be most appreciated.

Community Announcements

Oct 6, today @ 3pm: Forest Church at Shekinah. Ed Olfert will bring stories and reflections and Curtis Wiens will bring communion to outdoor worship. All are welcome!

Oct 6: Growing Justice: Palestinian Olive Harvest Event: "Biblical History and Promised Land". A presentation by Biblical scholar Rev Bill Richards: The Ethics of Reading Biblical History: Cover Stories on Stolen Land. **In person 7 pm @ Grace Westminster United Church, Saskatoon**, OR on GWUC's facebook page.

Oct 15: Growing Justice: Palestinian Olive Harvest Event: "Listening for God's prophetic voice amongst the people of the land" Tuesday, Oct 15 7:30 pm at Grosvenor Park United Church, Saskatoon. Rick Block (SK Regional Rep) and Miriam Harder (Senior Program Officer for the Middle East region) from the Canadian Foodgrains Bank will share historical and current contexts from Canada and the Palestinian Territories in how land, identity and conflict can create tragic circumstances, but also springs of hope, resilience, and unity. Hosted in part by Living Skies Regional Council, Just Peace Palestine/Israel working group, and the Mennonite Central Committee of Saskatchewan.

Oct 17-20: EVERY BRILLIANT THING plays at The Refinery Oct 17-20. Back by popular demand – Burnt Thicket Theatre's astonishing comedy about depression & cultivating joy! Check the poster on the bulletin board for more info. Featuring Sarah Robertson, playing Oct 17-20 (four days only) at The Refinery (609 Dufferin Ave), tickets & details at burntthicket.com/EBT/

Oct 26: RJC's Annual Fundraising Dinner - The Tonight Show at RJC! With Your Host: Corey Ginther (1990) | Join us on October 26, 2024 for an evening of conversations and entertainment with RJC alumni, friends, and students. \$25/person or \$200/table. Tickets on sale October 1, 2024. Call (306) 232-4222 or email office@rjc.sk.ca.

Oct 30: RJC Spend-a-day | Students in Grades 8-11 who would like to experience a day in the life of an RJC student are invited to join us on October 30, 2024. Email Alex at admissions@rjc.sk.ca or call (306) 232-4222 for more information or to register.

MCC Connects: Thank you to everyone who participated in this summer's School Kit Challenge! With your donations of money and supplies, we were able to send 604 school kits to families around the world who struggle to access basic school supplies and get the education they need. To learn more about School Kits, please visit: <https://mcc.org/get-involved/kits/school>.

The Mennonite Historical Society is hosting a 6-week CMU Xplore course via Zoom: "The Great Soviet Experiment: A Postmortem." The one-hour class will be held in the MHSS Archives at Bethany Manor every Thursday morning at 8:30 a.m., beginning October 10 and ending November 14. Instructor is Leonard G. Friesen. We invite you to join the class; no pre-registration is needed.

InCERT – delivered from MC Sask's Climate Emergency Response Team Do you need some uplifting stories about climate change? ClimateHero (<https://www.climatehero.org/en>) has some good news to share. Good news #1: Oslo has successfully implemented a climate budget that helps the city systematically reduce its emissions and improve the quality of life for its residents. Read the story here: <https://theprogressplaybook.com/2024/07/26/how-oslo-is-building-a-cleaner-city-using-its-climate-budget/?s=xxxxxxx>

Mennonite Church Saskatchewan is seeking an Interim Youth Minister/Worker on a contract basis until mid-July, 2025. Averaging 10 hours/week, this position will involve coordinate and working with youth pastors, leaders, and sponsors on province-wide and regional youth events such as MegaMenno and youth retreats, including travel to the 2025 MC Canada Youth Gathering. Interested candidates are invited to send their cover letter and resume to Len Rempel at minister@mcsask.ca. A full job description is available at www.mcsask.ca

CMU Discover Day: Full- or half-day options available on October 25. Tour the CMU campus, attend a sample lecture, meet professors and current students, ask questions and have lunch and treats on us! Visit cmu.ca/experience for more information and to register.

Bethany Manor, a seniors residence in Saskatoon, is accepting applications for a full time Spiritual Care Coordinator position. The successful candidate will be directly involved in preaching, pastoral care (including hospital visitation), spiritual care programming and worship planning. Details of the position and application process available at <http://mcsask.ca/Bethany-Manor-job-posting> Application deadline is October 15, 2024.