

Coming Up This Week

Sunday, Sept 11 at 11:00 am: NPMC Worship on Livestream
Monday, Sept 12 at 8:00 am: Men's Walking Group
Tuesday, Sept 13 at 10 am: Women's Bible Study
Wednesday, Sept 14 at 8:00 am: Men's Walking Group
at 7 pm: Men's Study Group
Thursday, Sept 15 at 7 pm: Kids Club and Choir
Friday, Sept 16 at 8:00 am: Men's Walking Group
Sunday, Sept 18 at 9:30 am: Adult Ed in the lounge
at 10:00 am: Children's Sunday School
at 11:00 am: NPMC Worship on Livestream
at 5:30 pm: Young Adults Visioning Night

NPMC Staff Office Hours:

Thursday is Susanne's day off from NPMC; otherwise please contact her to arrange visits.
Patrick schedules NPMC visits M/W/F and as possible. Contact him through the office, email, home or cell
Gwen is in the office Monday – Friday from 1pm - 5 pm.

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 September 11, 2022 at 10:00 am

In Person and Live Stream Worship Service

Worship Leader: Tammy Forrester
Accompanists: Kathy Peters and Lorene Nickel
Ushers: Eric Neufeld and Evelyn Roden

Back to School Sunday

Prelude		
Welcome and Land Acknowledgement		
Greetings and Announcements		
Call to Worship		
Opening Hymn	Praise, I Will Praise You Lord	VT #131
Lighting of the Peace Lamp		
Prayer for Peace		
Hymn	Be Thou My Vision	VT #549
Joys and Concerns		
Special Music		Kathy and Lorene
With the Children		
Children's Song	Jesus is a Friend	Bonnie Dahl
Prayer for Back to School		
Scripture	Deuteronomy 6: 4-9 Proverbs 1:2-9	
Sermon	Being Transformed	Susanne Guenther Loewen
Hymn of Response	See the Children Here Before Us	VT #509
Spoken Benediction		
Sung Benediction	Move in our Midst	VT #827
Postlude		

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## Announcements

**The NPMC Board of Deacons** decided that masks are no longer required but we are a mask-friendly space. Please continue to be respectful of one another's comfort levels. We expect those 12 years of age or older to be fully vaccinated and ask you to remain at home if you are feeling unwell. Please contact Bob N with any questions or concerns.

**Men's Walking Group:** on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, meeting at 8:00 am. Meet outside at 107-222 Sask Cres E.

**Men's Study:** Men's study group will be meeting on Wednesday, Sept 14, at 7:00 pm in the East classroom. This week we will be checking in and making a fall plan.

**All are welcome to NPMC adult ed.** as it resumes in-person meetings at 9:30 on Sunday mornings in the lounge. Prior to the pandemic, we had just begun a sermon response series. This Fall, we will in a sense pick up where we left off. Each Sunday, a member of the adult ed. committee will lead a discussion on the previous week's sermon. Our first session will be on Sept. 18th, responding to the sermon from Sept. 11th.

**Young Adults Visioning Night:** There will be a pizza supper night on Sept 18 at 5:30 pm to discuss the direction we wish to go this year.

**SAVE THE DATE for our OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT! Sept 24.** Bring your lawn chair and a blanket and be ready to eat popcorn and enjoy a movie on the big screen in the NPMC parking lot (who knew our parking lot would prove to be so versatile!). The movie which will be kid friendly will begin playing at 7:00. This event is for all ages!

**WEDDING & BABE SHOWER** - Marlene and Denelda and Susanne and Patrick have now completed the doorstep visits with the couples that are tying the knot or welcoming a new babe into their family. It was a pleasure to honour these couples in this way and then share it with all of you. Many photos along with a Q&A have been posted on the private side of our website on the congregant's page under the title Church Life and the tab "Weddings & Babes 2022" and a few others are still to come. Please continue to check for updates. If you would like to support the purchasing of gifts, please send a donation to the church with this designation. Thank you.

**Furniture Moving Day!** We will be moving furniture and household items into NPMC's new refugee family's home at 644 Gladmer Crescent on Saturday, September 17 starting at 10:00 a.m. If you have items saved in your home that you have indicated that you would like to donate, please feel free to bring them to the above address between 1:00 - 3:00 on that day as it will save us having to move them twice. Feel free to contact Janet or Norm Barnes (306)221-1957 if you have any questions or concerns.

**Financial Support** - please consider a designated gift to the Refugee Assistance Program. The family has endured years of living in very difficult circumstances and will require very significant support.

**"Paul in the Shadow of Empire" Course.** With a focus primarily on Paul's letter to the Romans, this course will explore how Paul called followers of Jesus to a life of faithfulness at the heart of the Roman empire. This intensive MDiv course is available for credit through CMU or audited through MC Sask. Details and registration available at <https://mcsask.ca/event/11070>

**Shekinah Move-A-Thon, Sept. 17:** It's not too late - you can still register (or donate!) and join in on all the fun at Shekinah! Event begins in the morning and concludes with a delicious, celebratory lunch. Hope to see you there! Visit [shekinah.ca](http://shekinah.ca) to sign up and check out all the details.

**RJC Opening Program | September 21, 2022 at 7:00pm.** Join us in the RJC auditorium as we celebrate the start of the new school year. Featuring music and reflections by RJC students, staff and community members. Admission by donation.

**MCC Sask Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, Sep 28 at 6:30-9:00pm.** This meeting will be hosted over Zoom to accommodate participation from across the province. You may register for the AGM, as a guest or church delegate, by calling the MCC office at 306-665-2555 or by email to [saskoffice@mccsk.ca](mailto:saskoffice@mccsk.ca).

**RJC Alumni & Friends Volleyball & Soccer Tournament | October 1, 2022.** Join us for a day of volleyball and soccer. If you would like to register your team or be placed on a team, please contact Denelda Fast at [deneldafast@hotmail.com](mailto:deneldafast@hotmail.com). Lunch provided in the RJC dining hall. We hope to see you there!

**Shekinah is looking for a truck to haul water to temporarily supplement our water supply.** Ideal would be a 3/4 or 1 ton, or perhaps a smaller "grain truck". Needs to be in good running order but can have a nick or two on the body. If you have something you feel would work for us, please contact Ron: [ron@shekinah.ca](mailto:ron@shekinah.ca) or 306-945-4929.

## Call to Worship

Leader: Calling all children of the Living God: the gospel is good news for every age and every stage.

**ALL: Let us worship together, the young and the old.**

Leader: The good news is proclaimed in God's words, and also with crayons, silly songs, snacks, and rest time.

**ALL: Let us worship together, every generation.**

Leader: We come together with different abilities and disabilities, learning in a rainbow of ways and styles.

**ALL: Let us worship together, with our family of faith.**

Leader: All are welcome in the arms of Christ who proclaimed, "Let the children come!"

**ALL: Let us worship together, united in our eternal hope.**