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**Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory**

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**11:00 a.m.**

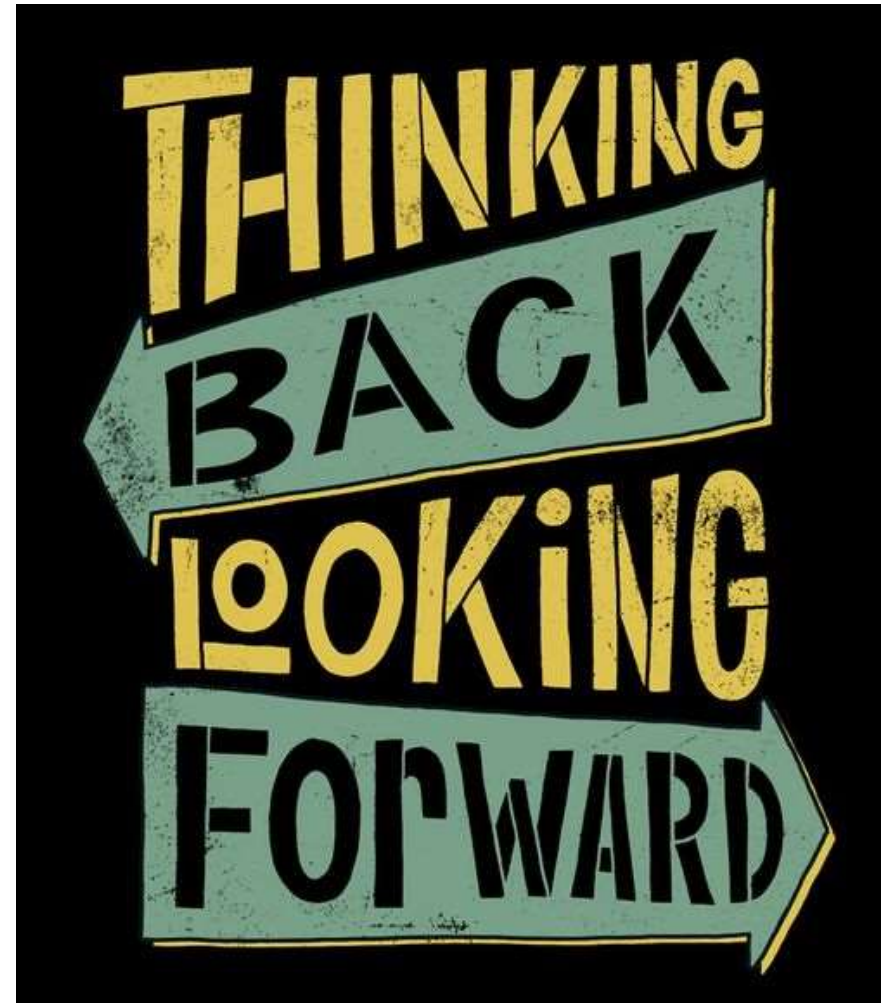
No. 52

Worship Leader: Darryl Epp  
Accompanist: Teresa Koop-Hunter  
Reflections on the year past and year to come:  
Pat Fleury, Barbara & Jake Ens  
Greeters: Lydia & Peter Schroeder  
Ushers: Donna & Ernie Epp

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|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Prelude                                    |                                  |             |
| Gathering Hymn                             | <b>Oh, How Joyfully</b>          | HWB No. 209 |
|                                            | v 1 in German, vv 1-3 in English |             |
| Welcome and Announcements                  |                                  |             |
| Invocation                                 |                                  |             |
| Hymn                                       | <b>When Peace Like A River</b>   | HWB No. 336 |
| Lighting of the Peace Lamp                 |                                  |             |
| Psalm Reading                              | Psalm 90                         | HWB No. 819 |
| Joys and Concerns                          |                                  |             |
| Congregational Prayer<br>With the Children |                                  |             |
| Offering and Offertory                     |                                  |             |
| Scripture                                  | Isaiah 65:17-25                  |             |
| Reflections                                | Pat Fleury                       |             |
| Hymn                                       | <b>O God Our Help</b>            | HWB No. 328 |
| Reflections                                | Barbara & Jake Ens               |             |
| Hymn                                       | <b>Joy To The World</b>          | HWB No. 318 |
| Benediction                                |                                  |             |
| Sung Benediction                           | <b>God Be With You</b>           | HWB No. 430 |

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### Spotlight on Year End Reviews

A form of Christian Spirituality (Ignatian) encourages a daily review of the positive and negative parts of each day. It is a way to hold before God those things bringing encouragement, discouragement, and inviting God into both. An Ignatian website has modified the questions for a review of a year (address below). Please contact Patrick if you would value a hard copy.  
[www.ignatianspirituality.com/15119/annual-examen](http://www.ignatianspirituality.com/15119/annual-examen)

### This Week

- Today**      **11:00 am** **Worship**; Reflections on 2018 -- Pat Fleury and Barbara & Jake Ens.  
**Noon** **Care Group #1 potluck**; visitors are welcome to join us.  
**Monday**      **5:30 pm** **Movie Night** in the lounge; bring finger food snacks.  
 6:30 is show time, movie choice will be made that evening.

### Coming Up

- Next Sun.**      **9:30 am** **Choir rehearsal.**  
**9:30 am** **Adult Ed: Experiencing Advent Through Art: Epiphany**  
*(The Wise Men)*. Discussion led by Edna Froese.  
**11:00 am** **Worship**; Nora Pederberg speaking.

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.

### Announcements

**MCC Connects:** As 2018 comes to a close, we encourage you to contribute to a project close to your heart. MCC works in a variety of capacities including work in the following areas; food, water, peace, education, health, welcome and relief. Donate before December 31<sup>st</sup> to receive your 2018 tax receipt. We need your help to meet these commitments. Please donate by visiting [mcccanada.ca](http://mcccanada.ca) or calling 306.665.2555 today.

**Sing, Sip & Socialize – January 26 at 7:00 pm** at the **MCC Centre**. Come join us for an evening of hymn singing (led by Sparky & the Plugs), coffee, and fellowship with the MC Canada Joint Council. The Joint Council will also be available to give updates and answer questions about MC Canada.

It is right, it should be so;  
 Man was made for joy and woe;  
 And when this we rightly know,  
 Through the world we safely go.

Joy and woe are woven fine,  
 A clothing for the soul divine.  
 Under every grief and pine,  
 Runs a joy with silken twine.

- William Blake

### Isaiah 65:17-25

<sup>17</sup>For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. <sup>18</sup>But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. <sup>19</sup>I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. <sup>20</sup>No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. <sup>21</sup>They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. <sup>22</sup>They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. <sup>23</sup>They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well. <sup>24</sup>Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. <sup>25</sup>The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

**Food Bank "Blue Bin" Items: Canned vegetables, Flour, Rice**  
 They do **not** need empty egg cartons