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Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory

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11:00 a.m.

No. 19

Worship Leader: Susanne Guenther Loewen
Accompanists: Sharon Klassen, Rhonda Krahn
Choir Director: Tristan Brenneman
Greeter: Paul Enns
Ushers: Evelyn & Peter Epp

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Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

from HWB No. 662

Leader: Come, let us worship,

**People: for we are the people of God's pasture.**

L: Come, let us worship and bow down,

**P: for we are the sheep of God's hand.**

L: Come, let us worship and bow down before the Lord, our Maker.

**All: For the Lord is our God, and desires our worship!**

Gathering Hymn

**What Is This Place**

HWB No. 1

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Children's Time

Offering

Hymn

**Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord**

HWB No. 76

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Special Music

Choir

Scripture

Genesis 12:1-4

Micah 4:1-4 - HWB No. 833

Imam Ilyas Sidyot

Sermon

Benediction

Hymn

**For We Are Strangers No More**

HWB No. 322

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We welcome Imam Ilyas Sidyot from the Islamic Association of
Saskatoon to our worship service this morning.

*Qu'importe votre lieu
d'origine, vous êtes nos
chers voisins.*

No matter where you are
from, we're glad you're
our neighbour.

لا يهم اين ولدتم، و لكننا
سعداء انكم جيراننا.

<https://www.facebook.com/welcometoneighbours>

Spotlight on EGADZ

*EGADZ is a non-profit community organization providing programs and services to children, youth and families in making healthy lifestyle choices. They invite us to their **Action to Employment Fundraiser** held on Thursday, May 11 at 5:00 pm, German Concordia Club -- Live Auction, Silent Auction, door prize, entertainment. Tickets are \$75 or table of 8 for \$600.
See the poster in the education wing.*

My Coins Count -- coins are helping to build sand dams in Mozambique.

This Week

Today	8:55 am	Contemplative Prayer in the sanctuary.
	9:25 am	Choir rehearsal for all ages.
	9:45 am	Adult Ed: <i>Living More With Less: Part 2: Cherish the Natural Order</i> with Rachel Regier.
	11:00 am	Worship ; Imam Ilyas Sidyot of the Islamic Association of Saskatoon speaking. Creative Church is in the lounge.
	Noon	Potluck for Young Families/Career group.
Tuesday	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study ; lounge.
	1:30 pm	Women's Coffee & Conversation time; lounge.
	6:15 pm	St. Martin's United Church Contemporary Singers concert ; St. Martin's church. Tickets at 306-343-7101.
Wednesday	7:30 am	Men's Breakfast ; Jerry's Food Emporium, 8th Street.
Thurs.	2:00-4:00 pm	Youth Farm Complex Auxiliary's May Day Tea & Cake Walk Fundraiser ; Mennonite Nursing Home Auditorium.
	7:00 pm	Interdenominational choral workshop with Lottie Enns-Braun at Christ Church Anglican. Contact Ron Peters if you are interested.
Friday	7:30 pm	Organ/Saxophone concert featuring Lottie Enns-Braun and Allen Harrington at Christ Church Anglican. Tickets available at McNally Robinson or at the door.

Coming Up

Next Sunday	8:55 am	Contemplative Prayer in the sanctuary.
	9:45 am	Adult Ed: <i>Living More With Less: Part 2. Learn from the world community-Val Epp. Nurture people-Renata Klassen</i>
	11:00 am	Worship ; Child Dedication.
May 19	7:30 pm	Musical Jam Session ; lounge. Bring your instruments and voices for an evening of singing popular songs.
May 27	8:00 am	Yard Sale -- NPMC parking lot. Please volunteer to help on the sign-up sheet in the church foyer.
	10:00 am	Rosthern Junior College Golf Tournament ; Valley Regional Park Golf Course. Register at 306-232-4222 or ricgolf@ric.sk.ca . \$20 dinner only---tickets available.
May 28	2:30 pm	Rosthern Junior College Spring Concert ; gymnasium.
June 1	6:00 pm	Walk for Alzheimer's ; meet at the amphitheatre at River Landing Park, Spadina Crescent E. Register at www.walkforalzheimersSK.ca or 1-800-263-3367.
June 4	3:00 pm	Weddings and Babies ; we invite everyone to come and celebrate marriages and births. Details are in mailboxes.

Genesis 12:1-4

1 Now the Lord said to Abram, 'Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ² I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and the one

who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.'
4 So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran.

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A message from our Board Chair:

A note of appreciation given to **Wally Funk** for the time he has given as the appointed representative on the Bethany Manor board for NMPC for the past 8 years. We appreciate your commitment to their Board of Directors and our congregation.

Vacancies – this leaves a vacancy on this Board from Nutana Park Mennonite Church so if you have an interest in serving on the Bethany Manor Board of Directors, please connect with Tammy Forrester or Armin Krahn for details. Further to note, we will also have vacancies on our Nutana Park Church Board of Deacons for the coming year in the following positions:

- Vice Chair – 1 year position to move into Chair for the following 2 years
- Christian Education

Leadership and support to the congregation and our Church is important and takes time commitment by all. Please consider the time you have to give to this congregation and reach out to Tammy Forrester or Armin Krahn for further information.

A Message from Mennonite Church Canada:

Our thoughts and prayers are with the people currently on the **Pilgrimage for Indigenous Rights**. From **April 24-May 14**, they are walking from Kitchener to Ottawa, Ontario, in support of Bill C-262, which calls on the Canadian government to adopt and implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP). This declaration, which ensures basic rights like clean drinking water, is one of the calls to action of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission. Steve Heinrichs, Indigenous Settler Relations director at Mennonite Church Canada, is among those on the pilgrimage, which is supported by MC Canada and Christian Peacemaker Teams. See <http://news.mennonitechurch.ca/pilgrimage-indigenous-rights-join-effort>.

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

Persephone Young Company is presenting *HERE – A Musical About Finding Your Place* from **May 18-21**. Members of the cast bring to the stage their own stories of journeying to Saskatoon and their lives in Canada. **Deanna Stockdale Winder** has been involved in writing music for the production and is also a member of the cast. Call the Persephone Theatre Box Office at 306-384-7727 for tickets.

MCC Connects: MCCS is currently accepting applications for the Program Director role. To view the full job description and apply for this position, visit our website at mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/openings or call Erica Baerwald, Human Resources Coordinator at the MCCS office (306) 665-2555.

Mennonite Central Committee SK -- June 2, 7:30 pm: Lucy Romanenkova, director of the Florence Centre in Zaporizhzhya, Ukraine, and partner of MCC will be at MCC SK providing a dynamic view of the work of their Centre and will be open to questions regarding how the lives of the area are being affected by the tensions in Eastern Ukraine. The services they provide are for Children with disabilities, workshops with teens in schools, seminars for senior women who are looking for meaning in life after their retirement, and seminars for persons in government agencies who are looking for more positive ways to provide services to seniors, and other vulnerable persons. Following the presentation, there will be time for informal visiting with her and opportunity to donate to the Florence Centre programs. For more information call Florence Driedger at 306-539-1334.

Rosthern Junior College will present the musical *Sister Act* on June 23 and 24 at 7:00 pm. Tickets (\$20 adults, \$10 age 16 and under) must be reserved and paid in advance—call the office at 306-232-4222 or email office@rjc.sk.ca

NPMC Students:

***Post-secondary bursaries are available. To see a list of bursaries and an application form, check the website at nPMC.net under the "Resources" tab or contact the church office. Deadline is May 31.

***MC Sask 2017 Student Education Fund Scholarship applications are on the mailbox table or at the MC Sask website www.mcsask.ca. Deadline is July 31.

L'Arche Saskatoon and Cheshire Homes are hosting Cakes in the City, an exciting fundraising event on Mother's Day, **May 14, from 1 to 4 pm** at the Western Development Museum. Come sample cakes made by some of Saskatoon's top pastry chefs, and help raise funds to support individuals with disabilities. Tickets are \$10, \$25 for a family.

It's time to **refurbish our costume collection** stored in the basement and get it ready for next Christmas! Edith Krahn is looking for a person or persons to work with her on this venture. Please contact Edith or Denelda Fast if you are interested or have questions.

Justification and the Unity of the Churches: A lecture on Evangelical-Catholic relations by Dr. David Guretzki, Briercrest Seminary. **May 15th at 7pm** at Forest Grove Community Church, 502 Webster St, Saskatoon. Further information from Nick Jesson, jesson@ecumenism.net, 306-659-5814 or Harry Strauss harry@forestgrovecc.com.

THAT THEY MAY BE ONE: A Service of Celebration and Commissioning. Join in an inter-church service to celebrate a new relationship between Catholics and Evangelicals in Saskatoon. **May 16 at 7pm** at Holy Family Cathedral, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon. Come to pray for the work of Christian unity and to meet the members of the new joint commission. Further information from Nick Jesson, 306-659-5814 or jesson@ecumenism.net, or Pastor Harry Strauss, harry@forestgrovecc.com.

NPMC Yard Sale -- May 27

The Volunteer list is posted in the Church foyer.

Start collecting your goods and deliver to the church:

Wednesday, May 24 4:00pm - 8:00pm

Thursday, May 25 9:00am - 5:00pm

Friday, May 26 9:00am - 5:00pm

Phone Garry Koop at 306-665-8011 to pick up large items.

We want to enjoy community, relationships and have fun!