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Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory

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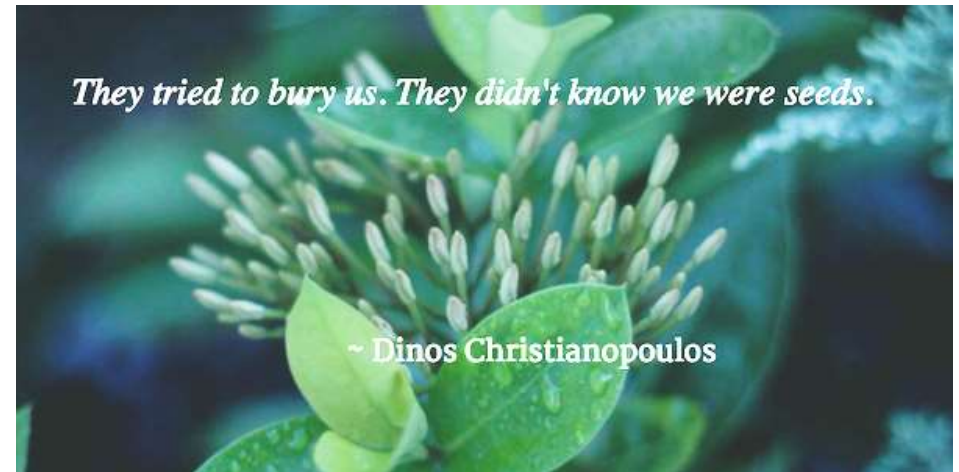
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11:00 a.m.

No. 3

Worship Leader: Susanne Guenther Loewen
Accompanist: Sue Schellenberg
Children's Song Leader: Joel Driedger
Greeters: Fern Stockdale Winder & Kelly Winder
Ushers: Elva & Ernie Epp

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Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn **Jesus Calls Us Here To Meet Him** StJ No. 3

Joys and Concerns

Lighting of the Peace Lamp

Children's Time/Song **Father God, You Are Holy** HWB No. 78

Offering our Gifts and Resources

Hymn **I Bind My Heart This Tide** HWB No. 411

Psalm Reading Psalm 46

Scripture Isaiah 58:6-12

Sermon Stephanie Epp

Hymn **My Soul Is Filled With Joy** StJ No. 13

Benediction Sing the Story No. 153

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Spotlight on Academy of Discipleship

The Academy of Discipleship is hosting a two-part discussion on peace with instructors Archbishop Donald Bolen, Dr. Walter Klaassen, and Ruth Klaassen.

“What have you to do with Peace? A Conversation about Peace in our Time” will take place Jan. 20 and 27 from 7:30-9 pm at the Cathedral of the Holy Family (123 Nelson Road). There is no fee, but a voluntary offering will be taken. For more information or to register, visit academyofdiscipleship.org.

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>Dorothy Day – The Catholic Worker Movement</i> .
	11:00 am	Worship; Stephanie Epp speaking. Creative Church will take place in the education wing.
Monday	2:00 pm	Ecumenical Bible Study; lounge.
	7:00 pm	Board meeting; the agenda and November approved minutes are posted on the bulletin board.
Tuesday	10:00 am	Women’s Bible Study; lounge.
Friday		The Academy of Discipleship Course; register at www.academyofdiscipleship.org .
	7:30 pm	Musical Jam Session; lounge. Bring your instruments and voices for an evening of singing popular songs.
Friday, Saturday		Rosthern Junior College Winter Threatre – Friday, 7:00 pm & Saturday, 2:00 pm. Call for tickets (\$10) at 306-232-4222.

Coming Up

Next Sun.	8:55 am	Contemplative Prayer in the sanctuary.
	9:25 am	Choir rehearsal for all ages.
	9:45 am	Adult Ed: <i>Simone Weil – Attention</i> .
	11:00 am	Worship; Patrick speaking.
Jan. 27		The Academy of Discipleship Course; register at www.academyofdiscipleship.org .
Jan. 29	Noon	Potluck following worship; A-H, bring salad and dessert, help set-up; I-Z, bring casserole, help clean-up.
	5:30 pm	Movie Night; bring finger food snacks. 6:30 is show time, popcorn provided.
March 10, 11		MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions at NPMC; we are hosting with Pleasant Point Church. Registration forms available soon.

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

2016 Church Donation Giving Reports are in your mailboxes. Tax Receipts will follow shortly.

Susanne had an article published in the December 2016 issue of Anabaptist Witness. The article, "Can the Cross Be "Good News" for Women?" can be viewed online at: http://www.anabaptistwitness.org/journal_entry/can-the-cross-be-good-news-for-women/

Please Help: Service at Sherbrooke Community Centre, Sunday, February 5 at 2:30 pm. Phone Denelda Fast at 306-221-2846 if you can help with music and worship.

MCC Connects: Learn to weave rugs for MCC on our loom! Contact Jerry Letkeman at 306.665.2555 or JerryLetkeman@mccsk.ca if you are interested. Making rugs is a great way to raise funds for MCC programs.

Ecumenical Events: See the bulletin board for events happening in January. The "2017 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity" is held from January 22 to 29 - services are listed in this bulletin and on the bulletin board.

Youth Announcements

Tuesdays: 7:00-8:30pm - discussion night for junior and senior youth.
January 20: 7:00-9:00pm - Skating at Bessborough/Meewasin.
January 27-29: MC Sask Sr. High Retreat for grades 9-12 at Camp Kadash. Speaker Amy Peters, an expert on the subject of *The Road Less Travelled*.

Isaiah 58:6-12

⁶ Is not this the fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice,
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free,
and to break every yoke?

⁷ Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,
and bring the homeless poor into your house;
when you see the naked, to cover them,
and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

⁸ Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall spring up quickly;
your vindicator shall go before you,
the glory of the Lord shall be your rearguard.

⁹ Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer;

you shall cry for help, and he will say,
Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you,
the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.

¹¹ The Lord will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.

¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.

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Week of Prayer 2017: Reconciliation: The Love of Christ Compels Us (2 Cor. 5:14-20)

The 2017 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity draws its theme from the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. The prayer materials were prepared by an ecumenical committee from Germany and distributed around the world for use throughout 2017.

In Saskatoon the Week of Prayer will be observed January 22 to 29 with the following services:

- Sunday Jan. 22 at 3 pm - Opening Service at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 812 Preston Ave.
- Monday, Jan. 23 at 7 am at Grosvenor Park United Church, 407 Cumberland Ave. S.
- Tuesday, Jan. 24 at 7 am at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 1636 Acadia Drive
- Tuesday, Jan. 24 at 7:30 pm - Singing Into Unity at Christ Church Anglican, 515-28th Street West
- Wednesday, Jan. 25 at 7 am at Trinity Lutheran Church, 419 Ave E. N.
- Thursday, Jan. 26 at 7 am at First Mennonite Church 418 Queen Street
- Thursday, Jan. 26 at 12:00 noon (liturgy) with lunch to follow at 12:30 pm at Queen's House, 601 Taylor Street West
- Friday, Jan. 27 at 7 am at the Ukrainian Catholic Parish of the Dormition, 120-105 Street West.
- Closing Service - Sunday, Jan. 29 at 3 pm at St. Anne Roman Catholic Church, 217 Lenore Drive.

Resources for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity are available online at <http://weekofprayer.ca> or for more information contact the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism at 306- 653-1633 or admin@pcecumenism.ca.