

Coming Up

Sunday, January 14 at 11:00 am: Worship Service
Monday, January 15 at 7:00 pm: Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 16 at 10:00 am: Women's Bible Study- Acts 11
Wednesday, January 17 at 7:00 pm: Men's Group
At 7:00 pm: Night Games at NPMC
Thursday, January 18 at 7:00 pm: Kids Club and Choir
Sunday, January 21 at 11:00 am: Worship Service (Singing Sunday)

KIDS CORNER

Sunday School Schedule

January 21
February 11
March 26 - Palm Sunday
April 21
May 19
June date T.B.A.

Feb 25: Winter Fun Day for all ages (see announcements)

Kids Club and Choir: Thursdays at 7:00 pm



PASTORAL STAFF

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**Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory
January 14, 2024 at 11:00 am**

In Person and Live Stream Worship Service

Worship Leader: Geraldine Balzer
Musician: Lynn Driedger
Ushers: Hedio and Ross Borne

Prelude		
Welcome, Greetings, and Announcements		
Call to Worship		
Hymn of Praise	You Are Salt for the Earth	VT #297
Lighting the Peace Lamp	Between Darkness and Light	VT #808
Confession and Affirmation		VT #921
Hymn	Lord You Have Come to the Lakeshore	VT #283
Joys and Concerns		
Congregational Prayer		
Hymn	Here I Am Lord	VT #545
With the Children		Geraldine
Children's Song	You Gotta Sing	Jared Regier
Scripture	1 Samuel 3: 1-18	
	John 1: 43-51	
Sermon	What Are We Called to?	Susanne Guenther Loewen
Hymn of Response	How Clear is Our Vocation	VT #547
Spoken Benediction		
Sending Hymn	God Calls Us	VT #394

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.

NPMC Announcements

Adult Learning Sessions: This Spring we will be considering and discussing Medical Assistance in Dying (MAID). We hope to draw upon the professional resources and personal experiences of people in our community. If you are interested in lending suggestions, guidance, or leadership to this series please contact Lori at 306-933-0285 / loriwt60@gmail.com or Patrick at the church office.

There are some new compost pails in the kitchen. Some people from the church have offered to take the food waste from the church and put it in their green bin. The pails can be found on the black rolling cart in the kitchen.

SAVE THE DATE - January 19th & 20th - CREATIVE COMMONS - This retreat is for anyone and everyone and will take place at Nutana Park Mennonite Church and will run on Friday evening from 7:00PM to 10:00PM and Saturday from 9:00AM until 4:00PM. There is also a **DROP IN** option for those who would like to participate but are not available for the entire time. Register with Gwen and let her know what you will need in terms of space to set up (i.e. table, electricity, etc.) and if you are a drop in, when you plan on attending. There will be a registration fee of \$25.00 to cover Saturday lunch and snacks and any other costs incurred. **REGISTRATION DEADLINE is January 14th.** If you have any questions, you can ask Fern, Geraldine, Anita or Denelda.

SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, February 25th - Come out for an afternoon of winter fun! The festivities will begin immediately following worship. Bring your own lunch or bring hot dogs to roast over the parking lot fire. We will enjoy walking, cross-country skiing, tobogganing and skating in Harold Tatler Park (just steps from church), a parking lot shinny game and crokinole (or other board games) indoors. **There will also be horse drawn wagon rides from 1:00 to 2:00.** You can participate in one OR all of the activities! Hot chocolate, hot apple cider and popcorn/goodies will be provided (don't forget to bring your S'more ingredients if that's something you're craving!).

Sunday, Feb 11 Noon Potluck as part of Susanne's Farewell

A-H Please bring Salad & Dessert and help with Clean-Up

I-Z Please bring Casseroles and help with Set-Up

We expect there will be visitors, so please plan to bring extra food! Thank you!

Community Announcements

Jan 19: RJC Open House: Prospective students & families are invited to RJC's annual Open House & "Friday Night Live" student variety show. Dinner will be served at 5:30pm, with a school tour at 6:00pm, followed by Friday Night Live at 7:00pm. Interested students and families are invited to pre-register at rjc.sk.ca/openhouse. Open to students in Grade 7-11.

Jan 26-28: Eigenheim and Rosthern Mennonite Churches are a hosting study weekend on the topic of "How Should Christians Interpret the Bible's Warfare and Genocide Passages?" presented by Dr. Dan Epp-Tiessen, associate professor of Old Testament at Canadian Mennonite University. Session descriptions are available at <https://mcsask.ca/event/11607> Everyone is welcome to join us, for any number of the sessions!

Jan 26-28: Shekinah is hosting a Wellness Weekend! Pre-registration is required. Guided activities, both indoors and outdoors, such as social gatherings, interpretive walks, fitness and yoga sessions, and evening campfires, await you. With the arrival of snow, the excitement of tubing adds an extra touch of adventure. This weekend experience is meant to nourish your mind, body, and soul by providing opportunities to immerse yourself in nature, enjoy good company, engage in physical activity and savor nutritious meals. Everything is a choice, and you can choose to relax or embark on adventures at your own pace.

Feb 2 & 3: RJC Tournament of Memories: Basketball & Curling: Join the fun at RJC's Alumni & Friends basketball and curling tournament. Come and play or watch the face-paced action in the RJC Gymnasium or at the Rosthern Curling Club (Jubilee Sports Centre). Cost to play is \$25/person, and lunch will be available for purchase in the RJC Dining Hall on Saturday (\$15/person, 10 & under free). To pre-register please visit rjc.sk.ca/tom. We hope to see you there!

Save the Date! The MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions will be on March 8 & 9 at North Star Mennonite Church in Drake, SK. We will be exploring the theme of Rekindling Relationship. Details available soon!

MCC Connects: Check out the latest issue of A Common Place to learn about the work that is being done with partners in Ukraine and Nigeria to help people heal from trauma, and for an update on MCC's response in Gaza. An online version of these and more stories can be found here: <https://mcc.org/impact/publications/acp>

The 2023 MC Sask and MC Canada annual reports are available at https://mcsask.ca/resources/congregational_resources