

*Coming Up This Week*

Sunday, July 9 at 10:00 am: Worship Service  
Sunday, July 16 at 10:00 am: Worship Service

**Sunday, July 30 Potluck** after the service:

A-H Please bring Muffins/Bagels/Rolls & Fruit and help with Clean-Up  
I-Z Please bring Muffins/Bagels/Rolls & Cheese and help with Set-Up



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**Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory  
July 2, 2023 at 10:00 am**

**In Person and Live Stream Worship Service**

Worship Leader: Anita Retzlaff  
Accompanist: Susan Ens Funk  
Ushers: Alison Jantz and Ken Warkentin

Prelude

Call to Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

Hymn God Who Touches Earth with Beauty VT #550

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Time with the Children

Hymn Touch the Earth Lightly VT #145

Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer/ Offertory Prayer

Scripture Psalm 104: 1-13, 24

James 1: 16-18

Hymn For the Beauty of the Earth VT #120

Sermon Creation as Gift Susanne Guenther Loewen

Sending Hymn The Peace of the Earth be with You VT #838

Spoken Benediction

*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*

**Please note** - our bank now requires cheques to be made out to Nutana Park Mennonite Church in order to be deposited. (NPMC is no longer acceptable).

**Please note:** From July 2-September 3 NPMC worship services will start at **10:00 a.m.** We will return to the 11:00 a.m. start time on September 10.

**Care Groups** were initiated by Elsie Neufeldt over two decades ago to encourage and enhance intergenerational relationships and essentially "care" for each other. Although COVID abruptly halted the active component of Care Groups, some members still kept in touch. Well, it is time to regroup and reactivate Care Groups! There is a sign-up sheet on the CHURCH LIFE bulletin board if you would like to be part of a Care Group. Care Groups will continue to be intergenerational and self-led. **The sign-up sheet will be left up until August 27<sup>th</sup>.** (If you can't make it to church to add your name you can also call Gwen and ask her to sign you up!) After the 27<sup>th</sup> of August, the lists will be taken down, Care Groups will be formed, a leader/co-leaders for each group solidified and then lists of each group posted on the bulletin board.

**SAVE THE DATE - NPMC Parking Lot Party** - Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>! Hope to see you all there!

### *Community Announcements*

**August 12: The Spruce River Folk Festival is back for 2023 on Saturday, August 12 at Spruce River Farm, Spruce Home.** Visit the website at [www.spruceriverfolkfest.com](http://www.spruceriverfolkfest.com) for artists and more information.

**Save the Date: Shekinah Move-a-Thon**, September 17, 2023. Watch for details.

**Shekinah Retreat Centre has an opening for the Executive Director position.** We are seeking a high energy person to grow our camping and facility rental programs. The preferred candidate will have a commitment to the Anabaptist tradition, an entrepreneurial spirit, non profit leadership experience and excellent communication skills. Preferred start date is August 1, but can be negotiated. Most salary and benefits follow MC Canada guidelines. For further information contact Board chair, Phyllis Goertz: 306-242-8367 or [p.goertz@sasktel.net](mailto:p.goertz@sasktel.net).

**Russlaender Train Tour Saskatchewan Stop.** Twenty-one thousand Mennonites arrived in Canada from the Soviet Union beginning in 1923. Sixty participants are making the Quebec City to Abbotsford anniversary train trip and will stop in Saskatoon July 18-19. Check out the piano concert at <https://mcsask.ca/event/11401>, tours and more at <https://mcsask.ca/event/11394>

**Mennonite Nursing Home in Rosthern has an opening for the Director of Care position.** The preferred candidate will have a Bachelor Degree in Nursing, long-term care experience and management experience. Immediate start date, but can be negotiated. Candidate must have a strong commitment to the ideals expressed in the mission statement (<https://mennonitenursinghome.com/our-mission/>). For further information contact CEO/Administrator, Mark Hildebrandt: [mark.hildebrandt@saskhealthauthority.ca](mailto:mark.hildebrandt@saskhealthauthority.ca).

**The Micah Mission is seeking an Assistant to the Director.** This person will coordinate the Person to Person (P2P) program, the Faith Community Reintegration Program (FCRP), and assist with day--to--day tasks such as, but not limited to: reporting, grant writing, presentations, and coordinating fundraising events. Contact [info@themicahmission.org](mailto:info@themicahmission.org) to learn more.

**Looking for something to do with your family or summer visitors? The Rosthern Museum and Mennonite Interpretive Centre has two brand-new exhibits for you to explore.** Check out the David Toews exhibit, commemorating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1920s Mennonite immigration. Browse photographs and page through our complete collection of yearbooks in the RJC room upstairs—you're bound to find some familiar faces! Located on the campus of RJC High School, we're open Fridays and Saturdays, 1-4pm or by appointment. Call Donna at 306-232-7447 or Barb at 306-232-7553 to book your appointment today. Admission is free, but donations are welcome.

**Volunteer Opportunity:** Village Green MCC Thrift Shop is looking for more volunteers to help unpack, price, and display items in its toy, housewares and home decor, clothing, and vintage departments. For more info. on how to apply, call 306-665-0102 or stop by the store Mon.-Sat. 10 am-5 pm.

**The 2023 MC Sask Scholarship application forms are now available at** [www.mcsask.ca/youth-ministry](http://www.mcsask.ca/youth-ministry)