Coming Up

Sunday, March 10 at 11:00 am: Worship Service, speaker Reynold Friesen (CMU)

Tuesday, March 12 at 10:00 am: Women's Bible Study Wednesday, March 13 at 7:00 pm: Men's Group Thursday, March 14 at 7:00 pm: Kids Club and Choir

Sunday, March 17 at 11:00 am: Worship Service, speaker Patrick Preheim Community Connection- Open Door Society

## KIDS CORNER

Sunday School Schedule- 10:00- 10:45 am

March 17 - Preparing for Palm Sunday Skit and Song

March 24 - Palm Sunday

April 21 - Preparing to help lead worship

April 28 - Practicing and leading our sections of the service

May 19 - Preparing to help lead worship

May 26 - Practicing and leading our sections of the service

June 23 - Preparing to help lead worship

June 30 - Practicing and leading our sections of the service

Kids Club and Choir: Thursdays at 7:00 pm

# Children's Song

Momma said to me, "We're going on a walk, Momma said to me "We're going on a walk, Gonna walk in the light of God

Daddy said to me, "We're following the way, Daddy said to me, "We're following the way, Following the way of Christ.

Chorus: And the way of Christ is to live with love in your heart for everyone.

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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.



#### **PASTORAL STAFF**

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## Gathered to Worship on Treaty 6 Territory March 10, 2024 at 11:00 am

### In Person and Live Stream Worship Service

Worship Leader: Darryl Epp Speaker: Reynold Friesen Accompanist: Lynn Driedger Ushers: Anita Retzlaff and Ken Warkentin

### LENT 4

Prelude

Welcome and Land Acknowledgement

Gathering Hymn Holy, Holy, Holy! VT #76

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Announcements
Call to Worship
Service of Shadows

Hymn of Response Between Darkness and Light VT #808

Children's Time Valerie Epp
Children's Sona Jake and Barb Ens

Joys and Concerns

Prayer

Hymn For the Beauty of the Earth VT #120

Offertory

Scripture Numbers 21: 4-9

Sermon Are we there yet? Reynold Friesen

Hymn of Response When we Walk with the Lord VT #570

Spoken Benediction

Sending Hymn Go my Friends in Grace StS #57

Postlude

This morning, we welcome Reynold Friesen to share from the pulpit.

#### **NPMC Announcements**

**Tired of eating by yourself(selves)?** Put "Fridays at the Froeses" on your calendar and call Don and Edna (306-374-2668 or <a href="mailto:edna">ednafroese@gmail.com</a>) by Thursday to claim your seat at the table. Door is open at 5:30 p.m., simple supper served at 6:00 p.m. Bring a contribution if you want to but it's not necessary. Yes, we are serious - EVERY Friday. Repeat visits are welcome; you might break bread with a new friend.

BIG NEWS! We have decided to conduct the Weddings & Babes shower connections in a slightly different format in 2024. We would like to honour our couples shortly after their exciting news (engagement or birth of babe) rather than waiting until summer. We feel this is more timely and allows for more flexibility with regards to coordinating everyone's schedules. At the same time, we would like to include meals for our new parents (initiated by Susanne) as part of this process. With this in mind, we are looking for volunteers to prepare a meal for the two new babes (and their parents) that have recently been born and are connected to our congregation. We would like to offer meals to these couples in the next week or two. Please contact Marlene @ 306 220 9409 or 306 668 4793 OR Val @ 306 220 3668 OR Denelda @ 306 221 2846 if you would like to participate in this way.

**March 10, today:** A Conversation with CMU. You are invited to a presentation about what is new and happening at Canadian Mennonite University. Join Reynold Friesen, Director of Development, on Sunday, March 10 at 10 AM to hear how CMU is equipping lives for service, leadership, and reconciliation.

March 22nd from 7-9:30pm the youth group is looking to do a progressive supper. This is where people can sign up to host one course of a meal, and the youth go around meeting people and enjoying food. If you are interested in hosting please email Luke Bushman: <a href="mailto:oslermcpastor2@gmail.com">oslermcpastor2@gmail.com</a> Please let Luke know your address and if you have a preference for which course you would like to serve (appetizer, salad, entree, dessert). Who serves what will be partially determined by location, as we will have to make an efficient route around the city to get through each stop.

March 24: Please note that our Annual General Meeting is scheduled to take place after our morning worship service. We are asking that congregants bring a bag lunch on that day so that we can enjoy a meal together and commence our meeting at 12:30 pm or as soon as we are all finished eating.

March 29: Good Friday Tenebrae Service at 7:00 pm at NPMC.

March 31 at 9:30 am: Easter Brunch Potluck followed by Easter Sunday service. Please bring Easter baking, cheese and fruit. Volunteers are invited to help clean up afterwards.

#### **Community Announcements**

March 10, tonight: RJC Songs & Sweets at 7:00pm: Join us in celebrating the legacy of music and the arts at Songs & Sweets: A fundraising concert and cake auction at RJC High School. Featuring performances by RJC Singers & Bass Choir, RJC Alumni & Friends Choir, with special guests Elixir Ensemble: chamber music for piano & strings. The evening will include coffee, tea, desserts, a live cake auction and a cupcake lottery. More information available at rjc.sk.ca/sweets.

March 19 from 5-7 pm: The Youth Farm Bible Camp is having their annual Vereniki Fund Raiser. Admission is by donation and the menu includes Vereniki (two types), Farmer Sausage, Cream Gravy, Fruit Sauces, Coleslaw, and soft serve ice cream. More information at <a href="https://www.yfbc.ca/march">https://www.yfbc.ca/march</a> and read an article about how Anabaptist Theology impacts Spiritual Formation at YFBC

March 23 & 24, folks from MC Sask Ministries Commission along with the Living Skies Region of the United Church are holding a Gaza Peace Pilgrimage in Saskatoon (part of the <a href="https://www.gazaceasefirepilgrimage.com/">https://www.gazaceasefirepilgrimage.com/</a>). Mark your calendars and watch for more information over the next week!

April 6, 6:00 pm Shekinah Retreat Centre and Carmen Corner Meats are "Puttin on the Ribz '24. For more info and to purchase tickets see <a href="mailto:shekinahretreatcentre.org">shekinahretreatcentre.org</a> or call (306) 945-4929.

**MCC Connects:** Attention gardeners! Do you start your plants from seed? If yes, then this message is for you - we are bringing the plant sale back to the MCC Relief Sale Festival and would love for you to help us out by donating bedding plants, vegetable plants, shrubs, house plants or any other plants you love. Plant a few extra seeds, donate them to MCC and make a difference. If you are interested in partnering with us in this way, please contact Phyllis Goertz at <a href="mailto:p.goertz@sasktel.net">p.goertz@sasktel.net</a> or call the office at 306-665-2555. Keep an eye on our website mccskreliefsale.com for more updates.

# **Points of Progress**

- 1) **Kenya:** People in 195 Kenyan villages are getting a boost from a universal income initiative, part of the world's largest study of basic income.
- European Union: Pharmaceutical and cosmetic companies will be required to clean up micropollutants and microplastics in wastewater under new rules, following the "polluter pays" principle of environmental law.