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Rosthern Mennonite Church

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Worship Service - World Communion Sunday
October 4, 2015, No. 40

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Worship Leader Lloyd Schmidt
Pianist Kathy Luitjens

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- Prelude
Call to Worship
Prayer
Welcome and Announcements
Gathering Song Here in this place HWB #6
Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Congregational Prayer
Hymn Put peace into each other's hands StJ #87
Tithes and Offerings
Children (preschool to Grade 5) leave for Sunday School
Scripture Reading Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 Pew Bible p. 846
Mark 10:2-16 Pew Bible p. 715
Meditation "United Around the Table" Craig Neufeld
Hymn I come with joy to meet my Lord HWB #459
Communion
Sending Blessing
Sending Song Go, my friends, in grace StS #57

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PRAISE AND CONCERNS:

Thank you to all who brought various kinds of squash for the Thanksgiving display. Take a few minutes to look over the large variety!

During the month of October, the Rosthern Ministerial asks us to pray for St. Augustine's Anglican Church, and for the Rosthern District Food Bank.

THIS WEEK:

Today - Following the service, all are welcome to enjoy for coffee and fellowship in the lower auditorium.

11:15 a.m. - Adult Sunday School, with Adult Bible Study material, "The Spirit Comes," a New Testament survey. All are welcome. Alfred says that he has enough books to allow more people to participate!

Monday, 7:00 p.m. - The Micah Mission Annual General Meeting, at their office building (Kinsmen Activity Place), 226 Ave. V S., Saskatoon. Please join us.

Tuesday, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Youth Farm Bible Camp Fall Fund-Raiser Supper, with Roast Beef, Turkey, Potatoes, Stuffing, Vegetables, Salads, Pies and more. - all welcome, admission by donation.

Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. - Willing Helpers meet at the church. Verse is 'wilderness/trial,' offering is for MCC Global Family.

6:00 - 8:00 p.m. - Children's Literacy program

7:00 p.m. - Children's Hour - for ages 4 to Grade 5.

Thursday, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. - The Rosthern Rascals Child Care will be holding an open house here at the church

7:00 p.m. - Youth activity at the Hein farm

Next Sunday, 9:15 a.m. - Prayer time

10:00 a.m. - Worship service - Thanksgiving

- Children's Sunday School during the service

Following the service, we will have our Thanksgiving dinner - it will be a pot luck meal, and everyone is asked to bring a casserole or a salad. The Hospitality committee will provide buns and desserts.

COMING EVENTS:

Oct. 16, 5:30 p.m. - Oct. 17, 4:00 p.m. - Women's Retreat - Igniting our Creativity: Looking Back, Moving Forward, at Shekinah Retreat Centre Timberlodge. The retreat will consider both human and divine creativity as we gather for a time of joy and spiritual refreshment together. All women are welcome! Cost is \$120 for the weekend, \$70 per day. Poster and registration forms in the foyer. Contact Lois Siemens at pastorlois@sasktel.net for further information.

Oct. 21, 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. - Blanket-making resumes, in the lower auditorium - all are welcome to come for all or part of the day.

Oct. 23 - 25 - Peace it Together Conference: Canadian Mennonite University will host a national youth conference on the theme A Meeting Place: Hearing God in Indigenous Voices. To register: cmu.ca/pit.

Oct. 24 - Mennonite Church Sask Equipping Day, at Eigenheim. Theme: Engaging Anabaptism Today. Brochures, with information on speakers, themes, cost, etc. are posted in the foyer. All are welcome to attend!

**Oct. 24, 5:00 p.m.** - RJC Corporation meeting  
**6:00 p.m.** - RJC Homecoming, Appreciation and Fund-Raising Dinner  
- see posted information. Please reserve by Oct. 16.

**Oct. 30, 6:30 p.m.** - Mennonite Disaster Service Awareness/Fundraising supper, at West Portal MB Church, Saskatoon. All are invited - call 306-342-4344 by Oct. 13 to reserve your place.

**Nov. 7, 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.** - Mennonite Central Committee Sask *Encounter* and AGM will be held at Parliament Community Church, Regina. All interested people are welcome to attend. Visit [mccsk.ca](http://mccsk.ca) for more details.

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**Laudato Si!** - Praise Be! Pope Francis' encyclical, published in May this year, addresses matters of creation care and social justice, and has inspired a great deal of interest among both Christians and non-Christians. Some local Mennonites have been talking about how best to respond, and decided to start regular meetings to pray for the planet and discuss appropriate action.

Join us in meeting weekly for prayer and conversation in search of God's healing for our planet and ourselves. We meet on Thursdays, 8-8:30a.m., by the river at Gabriel Dumont Park in Saskatoon (until the weather drives us inside). RSVP to [joe@wildwoodmennonite.org](mailto:joe@wildwoodmennonite.org) or just drop in as you are able.

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Welcome to:

# Rosthern Mennonite Church

*Followers of Jesus Christ*

*Called by God*

*Empowered by the Spirit*

*To Grow as a Community of Grace, Joy and Peace*

*So that God's Healing and Hope Flow through Us to the World*

Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
Sunday School	11:15 a.m.
Office Hours	Tuesday - Friday, 9:00 a.m.- Noon

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Kirsten Hamm-Epp** will be leading a youth Sunday School class here, however, it will be on a somewhat irregular schedule. Please note that the class will meet next on October 25. If you are interested in participating, or know someone who might be, contact Kirsten to get the schedule, and to add yourself to her contact list.

**We are updating** the *Canadian Mennonite* mailing list. All members and attenders of our church are eligible to receive the magazine. If you are not receiving it, and would like to, please call the church office. This also applies to young adults away from home. The magazine is also available in electronic format - if you, or other members of your family, would prefer to receive the magazine via email, please let the church office know.

**For the months** of September and October, the *Rosthern District Food Bank* is asking for donations of **pasta and pasta sauce**. You may bring your donations to the church, and place them in the basket in the foyer. We will make sure they are delivered!

**MCC Connects:** The Government of Canada is now matching donations made from individual Canadians for relief in Syria made between September 12 and December 31st, 2015. MCC is calling for donations to support our work in the region. Call toll-free 1-888-622-6337 or donate online at [donate.mcccanada.ca/syria](http://donate.mcccanada.ca/syria)

**At our last church council meeting** it was decided to begin the discussion on homosexuality after harvest is complete. An update for you on this process. With harvest going later than anticipated the timeline has changed. Once harvest is complete a committee made up of a representative from Church Council, Pastoral, a member of our congregation along with Pastor Craig will begin to plan and coordinate our meetings. It is expected that these meetings will begin in late October and early November. Meetings would probably be on a Sunday evening and are intended to be informational. These meetings are seen as a learning opportunity for the entire congregation. While we wait for harvest to complete you are encouraged to read some of the resources that have been made available in the library.

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<b>Rosthern Mennonite Church Financial Report</b>						
September 27, 2015						
<b>Worship service # 39</b>						
		<b>Weekly</b>	<b>Weekly</b>	<b>Year to Date</b>		
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>
<b>Budget</b>	\$ 2,256.45	\$ 3,970.25	\$ (1,563.80)	\$134,054.91	\$154,839.75	\$ (20,784.84)
<b>Church use</b>	\$ 150.00					
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 2,406.45	\$ 3,970.25	\$ (1,563.80)	\$134,054.91	\$154,839.75	\$ (20,784.84)

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**Attendance last Sunday:** 80

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