
Rosthern Mennonite Church

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Worship Service
April 24, 2016, No. 17

Worship Leader Craig Neufeld
Musicians Gals 4

Prelude

Call to Worship HWB #662

Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering Hymn I know that my Redeemer liveth Insert

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Hymn Since Jesus came into my heart Insert

Children (age 3 to Gr. 5) dismissed for Sunday School

Tithes and Offerings

Music Ministry Gals 4

Hymn Victory in Jesus Insert

Scripture Reading John 14:1-17 Pew Bible p. 763

Meditation Alexandra Elish

Sending Blessing

Sending Song Come, we that love the Lord HWB #14

We welcome our guest speaker this morning, Alexandra Elish. Alexandra was born in South Africa, spent her teenage years in England, studied theology in Edinburgh and Prague, and was ordained as a Baptist minister. She has recently moved with her family to join an Urban Expression church-planting team in Harold Hill, in East London. She also works with Mennonite Trust and Anabaptist Network.

Activity folders for children are available in the foyer. Children are welcome to take colouring pages home; please return the folders to the table after the service.

PRAISE AND CONCERNS:

Please remember RJC students and staff in prayer. Their annual ALSO (Alternative Learning and Service Opportunities) trips take place this week, with groups in: Guatemala; Alabama; Calgary; and Saskatoon.

On the last Sunday of each month, we arrange for a group to do an afternoon service at Goodwill Manor in Duck Lake. Today, the Lutheran Church Band will be playing there.

During the month of April, the Rosthern Ministerial asks us to pray for St. Odilon Roman Catholic Church. We are also asked to remember people around the world who seek refuge.

THIS WEEK:

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

2:30 p.m. - A Buncha Guys Spring Concert at Nutana Park Mennonite Church, Saskatoon. Tickets (\$5.00) are available at the door. An offering will be taken to support the Canadian Foodgrains Bank.

Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. - Blanket making - all are welcome.

10:00 a.m. - Coffee hour, sponsored by the Pastoral Committee - invite a friend

10:00 a.m. - Rosthern and area Alzheimer support group meets at the home of Irene Lautner, call Rebecca for information 306-212-0297.

Noon - Wind-up lunch, for everyone who has been involved in blanket-making this year, whether you have come to church to tie blankets, or worked from home, sewing tops or finishing. Soup will be supplied, please bring buns, cheese, or fruit.

Thursday, afternoon - Pastor Craig and members of the pastoral committee will be serving communion at the Nursing Home and Prairie Meadow Place

7:00 p.m. - Rosthern Youth group meets here

Friday, 7:30 p.m. - Mennonite Heritage Museum annual meeting and board reports, at Eigenheim Mennonite Church. MHM is preparing to move the New Church (first Mennonite Church in Rosthern) to the RJC Campus as an addition to the Mennonite Interpretive Centre being developed. Details of the planning will be given, a budget approved and an audio-visual presentation, coffee and goodies will follow. Opportunity to donate or pledge in support of these exciting developments will be given.

Next Sunday, 10:00 a.m. - Worship service, children's Sunday School

11:00 a.m. - Coffee and fellowship time

For many, many years, the German Bible verse, now hanging on the front wall of the sanctuary, was on the front wall of the sanctuary of our former church building, which was replaced by this building in 1964.

The German words are, "Selig sind, die Gottes Wort hören und bewahren," and the translation is, "Blessed are those who hear the word of God and obey it." (Luke 11:28)

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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COMING EVENTS:

May 2, 6:30 p.m. - Church cleaning bee. Everyone is welcome to come out and help give the church a spring cleaning. Pie and coffee will be served by the Good Samaritans.

May 5, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. - May Day Tea, in the Mennonite Nursing Home auditorium, put on by the Youth Farm Complex auxiliary. Proceeds will go towards purchasing a new floor polisher. Everyone is welcome.

May 13, 7:00 p.m. - RJC spring choir concert

May 25, 5:30 p.m. - MEDA Banquet at Bethany Manor, with guest speaker Marlin Hershey speaking on work in Nicaragua. Entertainment by Jake Ens and the Yard Sake Band. Cost is \$22.00. For reservations, call Ken Warkentin by May 20: warkie@sasktel.net or 306-380-0861.

May 28 - RJC Annual Golf Classic - see the poster. Go to www.rjc.sk.ca for registration forms, or call 306-232-4222.

June 4 - 75th anniversary celebration of the Youth Farm Bible Camp - activities begin at 11:30 am and run until evening. See the poster.

June 10-11 - 2016 MCC Relief Sale & Auction at Saskatoon Prairieland Park. New this year: Kid's Peace from 9-3, run by Shekinah Retreat Centre; Busking – musicians (any age), please contact Denise Martens at 306.270.9648 or denisemartens@gmail.com

June 13-17, 20-24 - Canadian School of Peacebuilding at Canadian Mennonite University - Learn how Indigenous peoples have shaped Canada politically, socially, culturally, and economically. Enrol in 'Reconciling our Future: Stories of Kanata and Canada' at the Canadian School of Peacebuilding, June 20-24, 2016. This course is being taught by James Sinclair, with guest presenter John Ralston Saul. For more information, go to csop.cmu.ca or email csop@cmu.ca.

July 6 - 10 - Mennonite Church Canada Assembly, in Saskatoon. Registration is now open, two more delegates from our congregation will be needed. Please contact the church office, or a member of the nominating committee, if you are interested in being a delegate.

Rosthern Mennonite Church Financial Report						
Worship service #16						
April 17, 2016	Weekly		Year to Date			
	Actual	Budget	Surplus/Deficit	Actual	Budget	Surplus/Deficit
Budget	\$ 3,309.00	\$ 3,683.00	\$ (374.00)	\$61,700.21	\$58,928.00	\$ 2,772.21
Coffee/lunch	\$ 81.00					
TOTAL	\$ 3,390.00	\$ 3,683.00		\$61,700.21	\$58,928.00	\$ 2,772.21

Attendance last Sunday:84

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Traditionally, a child dedication service is held in our church during the month of May. Parents who might be interested in having their child(ren) dedicated are asked to talk to Pastor Craig, or contact the church office.

Copies of Mennonite Church Canada Witness Worker Update are available from the rack in the foyer. Please take one if you are interested in knowing more about current mission workers.

MCC Connects: The MCC Relief Sale & Auction (June 10 & 11) is just around the corner. The Plant Market welcomes donations of plants (vegetable and flower bedding plants, perennials and berry plants/bushes, houseplants) and your time as volunteers. Please contact Rita MacDonald at ritamacdonald48@gmail.com or 306.232.5310 for information.

For the month of April, the Rosthern District Food Bank is requesting gifts of canned fruit and canned vegetables. All gifts of food are greatly appreciated.

Volunteers are needed for the upcoming *MC Canada Assembly, July 6-10 at TCU Place in Saskatoon*. Experience the Assembly by volunteering for a partial or full day, or full week. Volunteers are needed for: Ushers, Information Services, Registration and Lodging, Prayer Room, and Art Space. For a description of these tasks see the bulletin board. or contact cbueckert@sasktel.net, 306-254-2607 or to register as a volunteer email mcsask@mcsask.ca or call 306-249-4844.

Rosthern Junior College invites applications for **Residential Dean**. Residence staff work as part of a team to provide a safe, supportive learning community for students in our residence. For more information please contact: Jim Epp, Principal, Rosthern Junior College. Box 5020, Rosthern SK S0K 3R0. jimepp@rjc.sk.ca 306-232-4222

Mennonite Disaster Service invites families to join in a family project this summer. Projects are planned at Silver Lake, Ontario, and Camp Assiniboia, in Manitoba. See the posted information.

MCC Canada is currently recruiting for several service worker positions! If you have felt a pull to international service work, visit <http://mcccanada.ca/get-involved> or contact Erica Baerwald at the MC Sask office, 306-665-2555.

Are you a young adult looking for a one-year formational experience in cross-cultural learning and service? Mennonite Church Canada is inviting team members to work alongside *Witness* workers Darnell & Christina Barkman in Manila, Philippines. For opportunities in Philippines, Ecuador or Indonesia visit home.mennonitechurch.ca/ShortTerm/JourneyIntl or contact Tany Warkentin (twarkentin@mennonitechurch.ca). Application deadline is June 1, 2016.