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Rosthern Mennonite Church

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Worship Service
June 19, 2016, No. 25

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Worship Leader Jay Janzen
Pianist Marian Hooge Jones

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- Prelude
Call to Worship
Prayer
Gathering Hymn We sing to you, O God StJ #1
Welcome and Announcements
Hymn I sing the mighty power of God HWB #46
Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Congregational Prayer
Singing Somebody prayed for me StS #120
Come, thou fount HWB #521
Scripture Reading Luke 15:1-10 Pew Bible p. 740
Tithes and Offerings
Hymn Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling HWB #491
Meditation "A Parable About Lost Things" Craig Neufeld
Sending Blessing
Sending Song God be with you HWB #430

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PRAISE AND CONCERNS:

During the month of June, the Rosthern Ministerial asks us to pray for our own congregation, Rosthern Mennonite Church. We are also asked to pray for the Prairie Centre for Ecumenism, Saskatoon.

THIS WEEK:

Please note: At our semi-annual meeting last Sunday, the possibility of sponsoring more refugees was discussed. As decided last week, if you have an interest in assisting with sponsorship, please write your name and your pledge on a slip of paper, and place it in the ballot box in the foyer.

Today - Coffee and fellowship time in the lower auditorium will follow the morning service. During the coffee time, Cheyenne Epp will share about her Outtatown experience. All are welcome.

3:00 p.m. - World Refugee Day - you are invited to show your support for refugees around the world at an event in Centennial Park. Some of the Karen children will entertain with song and dance, followed by a walk together around the park.

7:00 p.m. - Wrongs to Rights discussion group will meet here, in the Education wing.

Tuesday, 5:50 p.m. - Good Samaritans meet, to travel to Warman for supper

Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. - Walk for Reconciliation at Victoria Park in Saskatoon - see the posted information.

10:00 a.m. - The local Alzheimer support group meets at Tom McAlister's home. For information, call Rebecca at 306-212-0297.

Thursday, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. - Mennonite Nursing Home annual Volunteer Appreciation BBQ is happening at the Log Cabin on the Youth Farm Complex Grounds (in the Auditorium if it is raining!). Spouses are welcome to join and musical entertainment will be provided. Call 306-232-4861 or email tarri.ostapak@saskatoonhealthregion.ca to make your reservations.

Friday & Saturday, 7:00 p.m. - RJC is pleased to present "Rags" as its June musical. Tickets are \$20 each, \$10 for 16 and under, and can be reserved by calling the RJC Office at 306 232 4222.

Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Shekinah scavenger hunt - gather a team to take part in this fund-raising activity for Shekinah's summer camp program. Barbecue lunch will be available by donation. Need info? Please contact their office or website, www.shekinahretreatcentre.org - see the brochures and information posted in the foyer and downstairs.

Saturday, 5:30 p.m. - RJC Alumni banquet, in the RJC dining hall. All alumni and friends of RJC are welcome. Adults \$12.00, children 5-12 \$10.00, 4 and under free. Contact Denelda Fast (306-221-2846 or deneldafast@hotmail.com) to register by June 17.

Next Sunday, 10:30 a.m. - RJC Baccalaureate service, here at RMC, everyone is welcome. No coffee hour next Sunday.

2:30 p.m. - RJC Graduation Exercises in the RJC auditorium. All are welcome to celebrate this important time in the lives of the students, the school, and our churches.

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:

**July 2, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.** - 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration for Henry in the lower auditorium, planned by his family. All are welcome!

**July 3** - A baptism service will be part of our morning worship. Following the service, Victor & Sarah will serve a lunch during the coffee hour, to celebrate their 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

**July 6 - 10** - Mennonite Church Canada Assembly, in Saskatoon.

**July 6 - 10** - For all youth! Join the adventure of #CovenantCrew2.0 Youth Assembly, sponsored by MC Sask. This adventure will be lived by camping and canoeing with Churchill River Canoe Outfitters in Missinipe. This adventure will be spiritual as youth experience God in worship, in close community, and acts of service in Saskatoon. For more information or to register today visit [covenantcrew2.com](http://covenantcrew2.com) or email [covenantcrew2.0@gmail.com](mailto:covenantcrew2.0@gmail.com). Financial aid is available.

**July 10, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.** - Mennonite Church Canada Assembly worship service at TCU Place, Saskatoon. All are invited to take part in this service - **there will be no worship service here at RMC**. If going to Saskatoon, you may wish to carpool, to help avoid complications of parking downtown! If you do not wish to go to Saskatoon for the service, you are encouraged to attend another worship service here in town.

**Aug. 6** - Spruce River Folkfest (at Spruce River, near PA) - activities include music, food, silent auction. Volunteers are needed to help with set-up, please contact Heather Driedger at 306.763.6224 or [persontoperson.prj@sasktel.net](mailto:persontoperson.prj@sasktel.net) if you would be able to help.

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.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Check the bulletin board** in the front entry: Todd Hanson has posted some photos there, from his recent trip to China.

**MCC Connects:** MCC is actively seeking applications for International Service Workers. If you have an interest and the skills to serve with MCC internationally, please call Erica Baerwald, Human Resources Coordinator, at the MCCS office (306) 665-2555. MCC is currently looking for a Connecting People Coordinator for Guatemala and El Salvador. Visit [mccsk.ca/openings](http://mccsk.ca/openings) to see our current opportunities.

**Youth Farm Bible Camp** is seeking volunteers to help in the kitchen during camp this summer. Private accommodation is available for anyone who would like to help but can't travel back and forth from home. Please contact Holly Epp: [holly@yfbcc.ca](mailto:holly@yfbcc.ca) or 1-855-855-9322 ext 9 for more info.

**Youth Farm Bible Camp** is putting out the call for donations of cookies for serving campers at night lunch. They can be dropped by the camp anytime during the summer weeks. Please no nuts or peanut butter.

**The Rosthern District Food Bank** thanks us for gifts of canned fruit and canned vegetables in March and April. For the months of May and June they are asking that we collect rice, brown beans, and canned meats. All gifts of food are greatly appreciated.

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<b>Rosthern Mennonite Church Financial Report</b>						
June 12, 2016	<b>Worship service #24</b>					
	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b>Weekly Surplus/Deficit</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Year to Date Budget</b>	<b>Surplus/Deficit</b>
<b>Budget</b>	\$ 2,383.00	\$ 3,683.00	\$ (1,300.00)	\$83,953.46	\$88,392.00	\$ (4,438.54)
<b>Coffee/lunch</b>	\$ 38.00					
<b>Rejoice</b>	\$ 225.00					
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 2,646.00	\$ 3,683.00		\$83,953.46	\$88,392.00	\$ (4,438.54)

Attendance last Sunday: 82

## **Updates and Volunteer Opportunities from Mennonite Disaster Service**

**MDS Volunteer Opportunity in the Yukon** – MDS Alberta is rebuilding a house destroyed by fire in Carmacks, YT. A maximum of 5 volunteers per week will be accepted from Jul. 4 till around mid-Aug. Donations for building materials are also accepted; indicate “Carmacks” with your donation. Round trip transportation costs covered for volunteers serving two or more consecutive weeks. Contact Evelyn Peters-Rojas (866-261-1274) MDS Volunteer & Project Coordinator or Glen Kauffman (780-712-9064), Carmacks Project Coordinator, for further details.

**MDS Opportunity for Families** (children of all ages welcome) - Sign up for a Family Project this summer at Camp Assiniboia (Manitoba) or Camp Silver Lake (Ontario). All ages are welcome! Families work together to build cabins and other camp structures, with age appropriate work wherever possible. Both projects run Jul. 17-Aug. 12, with groups serving for one week at a time. For more information or to sign up, call Evelyn at (866) 261-1274 or e-mail [epetersrojas@mds.mennonite.net](mailto:epetersrojas@mds.mennonite.net)

**Fort McMurray fires** - The fire that ravaged Fort McMurray began on May 1; the outpouring of prayers, donations and interest in serving continues. While the focus of that fire has been the devastation it caused in the city, the fire is still burning 6 weeks later. MDS will make an initial assessment visit to Fort McMurray and the surrounding area on June 19-21. Rebuilding efforts will only begin after an extensive cleanup of hazardous ash within the city.

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**RMC Semi-Annual Meeting Highlights**  
**June 12, 2016**

There were 60 members and 3 adherents in attendance. Ted Janzen chaired the meeting, and encouraged us to be a creative, prophetic and hopeful church as we move forward.

**Motion** by Paulette Booker to accept the minutes of the RMC Annual Meeting, January 17, 2016. Carried.

The Financial Statement to the end of May 2016 was presented. 42% of the year has passed, but only 41% of our budget has been raised.

**Motion** by Linda Bartel to accept the financial report as presented. Carried.

Constitutional changes stipulating that members of the Pastoral Committee must be members of Rosthern Mennonite Church, while all other committee positions were open to members and adherents, were voted on and carried.

The congregation was asked if there was a willingness to sponsor 1 or 2 additional male refugees who have connections to our current Karen families. After discussion it was decided people interested in supporting the refugees would indicate by pledge in the ballot box by next Sunday (June 19, 2016)

Ted closed in prayer.