
Rosthern Mennonite Church

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Worship Service

Nov. 9, 2014 - No. 45

Worship and Song Leader Ted Janzen
Pianist Kathy Luitjens

Prelude

Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn Come, we that love the Lord HWB #14

Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn Let there be light, Lord God StJ #67

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) will leave for Sunday School

Scripture Reading Luke 6:27-36 Pew Bible p. 729
Isaiah 2:2-5 Pew Bible p. 484

Message Melody Neufeld-Rocheleau

Special Music

Sending Blessing

Sending Song Peace before us StS #16

PRAISE AND CONCERNS:

Rosthern Ministerial asks us to pray for St. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church in November, and for the Community Carol Festival coming up on Dec. 7.

From Mennonite Church Canada:

With the uprising in Burkina Faso last week, we're relieved and grateful to report that Mennonite Church Canada workers and their families, Nancy Frey and Bruce Yoder, and Norm and Lillian Nicolson, are safe. Please continue to pray for Burkina Faso, and for leaders of the Mennonite Church in Burkina Faso.

EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Today - Following the service, all are welcome for coffee and fellowship time in the lower auditorium. Adult Sunday School meets at 11:15.

Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. - Alzheimer/Dementia support group meets
6:00 p.m. - Mennonite Economic Development Association Supper event at Bethany Manor. The speaker will be Helen Loftin, VP for Women's Economic Opportunity. Tickets are \$22. Please RSVP by calling 306-242-9019 by November 10 (tomorrow).

7:00 p.m. - Children's Hour, for children age 3 to Grade 5.

Thursday, 7:00 p.m. - 'Buffalo Shout, Salmon Cry' book study/discussion group meets in the church library

7:00 p.m. - Youth meet at church for an airplane-building competition, and Bible study

Saturday, 6:30 p.m. - Fund-raising dinner in support of Christian Counselling Services, Saskatoon - see posted information

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

10:00 a.m. - Dori Zerbe Cornelson, from Mennonite Foundation, will be our guest speaker for our worship service and adult Sunday School. Children will meet for Sunday School during the worship service. At noon, following the Sunday School session, a pot luck dinner is planned by the Pastoral Committee. Even if you are not attending the adult Sunday School, please plan to stay for the dinner - everyone is invited to bring their favourite dish(es).

COMING EVENTS:

Nov. 19, 8:00 p.m. - First rehearsal for Advent/Christmas choir (see announcements.) All are welcome!

Nov. 21, 6:00 p.m. - Soup and Pie Fund-raiser at Calvary United Church, 114 25th St. E, Prince Albert, in support of Restorative Justice programming in Prince Albert and area. Admission by donation. See the poster. For more information contact Ryan Siemens at 306.763.6224 or persontoperson.prj@sasktel.net. All proceeds will go to the work of Parkland Restorative Justice. We are again asked to donate pies for this event - if you are able to donate pies, please see the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

Nov. 22, 5:00 p.m. - Rosthern Junior College Annual General Meeting, in the RJC chapel. All supporters of the school are encouraged to attend - report books are now available in the foyer.

6:00 p.m. - RJC Annual Fund-raising and Appreciation Banquet - everyone is welcome - see the poster to learn about the special features and music for the evening. To reserve your complimentary tickets, call 306-232-4222 or email office@rjc.sk.ca by Nov. 14.

Nov. 28 & 29 - Truth . . . and Reconciliation – What's next? The Ministries Commission of MC SK is planning a Friday evening, Saturday event at the Youth Farm Bible Camp that will tackle the question of Mennonite Churches' response to the recent Truth and Reconciliation process. How do the Gospel and the witness of residential school survivors inspire us to be instruments of reconciliation? More information will be forthcoming, but do mark your calendars!

Dec. 4, 7:00 p.m. - MCC invites all to Mount Royal MC, Saskatoon, to celebrate '50 Years of Faith in Action', as they celebrate the work of the material resources program. See posted information.

*** **December dates to remember** ***

Dec. 6, 7:30 p.m. - A Buncha Guys Christmas concert at Knox United (tickets \$5, offering for Shekinah)

Dec. 7, 7:00 p.m. - Community Carol Festival here at RMC

Dec. 10, 7:00 p.m. - Children's Hour Christmas program

Dec. 13, 7:30 p.m. - A Buncha Guys Christmas concert at Shekinah (tickets \$5, offering for Shekinah)

Dec. 14, 7:30 p.m. - RJC concert at Knox United, with Sonrisa

Dec. 19, 7:00 p.m. - RJC Christmas concert, in the school auditorium

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:

Nomination forms for 2015 committees were in your bulletins last Sunday. Extras are in the ushers room. Please prayerfully consider who you might nominate to serve on various church committees this year, and how you feel called to participate in church life. **The nominating committee asks that you return the forms by Nov. 16 (next Sunday!) - the ballot box is in the foyer.**

The Rosthern District Food Bank is requesting the community's help to fill 150 Christmas hampers this year. This is a project that could be taken on by families or groups. Lists of the contents of a hamper are posted in the foyer. The hampers are to be delivered to the Food Bank on Dec. 18; however, they would like to know by Dec. 8 how many will be coming from individuals or groups in our church. Please inform the church office by Dec. 7 how many hampers you plan to fill. *Also, if you know of someone who could use a hamper, even if they are not regular users of the Food Bank, please contact them for permission, and then let the Food Bank know.*

We will be starting a seasonal choir which will be singing during the Advent season. Practices will begin on Wednesday, Nov 19 at 8:00 pm and continue every Wednesday. This choir is open to everyone and the choir loft is quite large.

Eternity Sunday is on Nov. 23 this year. We will be putting together a slide show again, in which we remember members of our congregation or others who are closely connected to us, who have died in the past year. If you wish to have a picture of a close family member included in the slide show, please contact the church office. A bulletin insert will list people who had a connection to our church, who have died in the past year. If you would like to add a name to the list, call the church office.

Shekinah Retreat Centre is inviting applications for part-time/casual Food Services Assistants. See the posted information.

MCC Connects - Give water for Christmas. Your gift of water offers a life-giving resource to families and communities. \$10 helps families have access to the water they need for drinking and growing food. Give at donate.mcccanada.ca or call 306.665.2555.

Rosthern Mennonite Church Financial Report						
November 2, 2014						
Worship service #44						
	Weekly	Weekly	Weekly	Year to Date	Year to Date	Year to Date
	Actual	Budget	Surplus/Deficit	Actual	Budget	Surplus/Deficit
Budget	\$6,620.00	\$ 4,039.00	\$ 2,581.00	\$164,209.34	\$ 177,716.00	\$ (13,506.66)
Refugee Fund	\$ 50.00					
Coffee Fund	\$ 76.70					
TOTAL	\$6,746.70	\$ 4,039.00	\$ 2,581.00	\$ 164,209.34	\$ 177,716.00	\$ (13,506.66)

Attendance last Sunday: 88

News and Information from Mennonite Church Canada:

· Interested in Creation Care? Register for a FREE online course on Environmental Education and Faith, offered November 3 – December 3, through Cornell University, recommended by Mennonite Creation Care Network. Register at <http://tinyurl.com/ee-and-faith>

The World Council of Churches invites you to Fast for the Climate - an interfaith initiative bringing people of different faiths together in an ancient spiritual exercise to show solidarity with victims of climate change. People are invited to fast on the 1st of each month. Details at <http://www.oikoumene.org/en/press-centre/events/fast-for-the-climate>

· Mennonite World Conference needs you! Volunteers are needed before, during and after the gathering to assist from near and far. Volunteers during assembly receive a discounted registration rate. More information can be found at <http://www.mwc-cmm.org/article/volunteer-application>.

Seven people are on short-term ministry assignments with Mennonite Church Canada at this time:

- Peter & Viola Labun are teaching English in China
- Lloyd & Margaret Oakey, from Ayr ON, are volunteering at Nazareth Hospital
- Rene Baergen, from Kitchener, has taught two New Testament workshops in Montevideo, Uruguay
- AnaSara Rojas is assisting in church ministries in two congregations in South Korea
- Tom Roes is teaching a series of short intensive seminars on microfinance, sustainable eco-friendly technologies, and entrepreneurial training, over the course of one year, in Latin America and Africa

Please remember these people in your prayers.

“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
that he may teach us his ways, and we may walk in his paths.”