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Rosthern Mennonite Church

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Worship Service
Christmas Sunday
Dec. 28, 2014 - No. 52

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Worship Leader Lloyd Schmidt
Pianist Edith Regehr

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Prelude
Gathering
Call to Worship
Prayer
Opening Hymn Joy to the world HWB #318
Welcome and Announcements
Scripture Reading Psalm 148:1-14 Pew Bible p. 448
Hymn O little town of Bethlehem HWB #191

Confessing and Responding
Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Congregational Prayer
Tithes and Offerings

Listening
Children's Time Jay Janzen
Scripture Reading Luke 2:22-40 Pew Bible p. 725
Hymn What Child is this HWB #215
Message "Christ Revealed to a Broken World" Rudy Froese

Sending
Benediction
Sending Song For God so loved us HWB #167

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PRAISE AND CONCERNS:

Please pray for safe travel for all who are coming or going to visit family and friends during this season. And pray for God's blessing on those gatherings, large or small!

The Rosthern Ministerial asks us to pray for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, coming up the second week of January.

EVENTS THIS WEEK:

The church office will be closed on Monday and Thursday this week.

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

Wednesday, 8:00 p.m. - New Year's Eve gathering - bring some snack foods and table games, and come prepared with a voluntary item for the program

Next Sunday, 9:15 a.m. - Prayer time
10:00 a.m. - Worship service - Ric Driediger speaking
11:00 a.m. - Coffee and fellowship time

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Please note: Pastor Craig is away, visiting with family in Ontario. If you have pastoral care concerns, please contact your Pastoral Care committee member, or committee chairperson Larry Epp. Craig will be back on Jan. 10.

The Rosthern Clothes Basket is seeking a half-time co-manager. Please see the posted information for a job description, and how to apply.

MCC Connects - Take chances. Make mistakes. Get messy. Be challenged. Spend a year living somewhere that you never dreamed you'd go... Start now. Serving and Learning Together (SALT) is a year-long, cross-cultural service experience. Serve internationally in areas such as education, agriculture, healthcare, information technology, peace and more! SALT applications are due Feb. 15, 2015. Contact Erica Baerwald, 306.665.2555 or ericabaerwald@mccsk.ca for details or visit mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/gsl

COMING EVENTS:

Jan. 9-10 - RJC Tournament of Memories - Alumni, family and friends are invited to register by Jan. 1st by email (deneldafast@hotmail.com) for basketball and hockey - Basketball with a skills competition, and Street Hockey. This is something new and will be played in the parking lot in front of the school. Reconnect with old classmates and friends and exercise your mind, body and spirit at the same time! Your alumni bulletin "RJC CONNECT" will be in the mail soon (and is already on the RJC website) with more details. Questions? Contact Denelda at 306-221-2846 or RJC office at 306-232-4222.

Jan. 10-11, 7:30 p.m. - RJC Theatre Arts Class will present Anne of Green Gables in the Pit Theatre. Call the RJC office for tickets (\$10).

Jan. 11 - Adult Sunday School will resume - Alfred Neufeldt will lead a class on "Jesus and the Scriptures" using Uniform series material - all are welcome

**Jan. 11-18** - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

**Jan. 22** - Budget discussion meeting

**Jan. 24, 6:30 p.m.** - Speaking Out: Voices of Sexual Diversity - event at Wildwood Mennonite Church - see the poster

**Jan. 25** - Annual congregational meeting - committee chairs, please have your reports in to the church office by Dec. 31.

**Jan. 30 - Feb. 1** - 2015 Deeper Life services, here at RMC - our guest will be Harry Huebner, Professor Emeritus at CMU, speaking on "*Pacifism: Can We Still Believe (Live) It?*" - watch for more information

**Jan. 30 - Feb. 1** - SMYO Sr. High Retreat, at Shekinah - see the poster. Registrations due Jan. 23.

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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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**News and Prayer Requests from Mennonite Church Canada:**

· **Congregations across Mennonite Church Canada** worship in 20 different languages - and leaders are eager to equip their congregations with Christ-centred Anabaptist teachings of how to be God's people of healing and hope in their local setting. Your investment in people will help resource these leaders and their Area Churches with unique, flexible and culturally appropriate training in their local setting:  
<https://donate.mennonitechurch.ca/project/multicultural>

· **Mennonite Church Canada is seeking an Educational Childcare Worker** for two children ages six and three until summer 2016. Parents Norm and Lillian Nicolson are engaged in a Bible translation and vocational training ministry in Burkina Faso, West Africa. The successful candidate will have a spirit of adventure and a desire to relocate to Africa. For more information, visit <http://home.mennonitechurch.ca/node/481> or email Tany at [twarkentin@mennonitechurch.ca](mailto:twarkentin@mennonitechurch.ca).

· **On January 5, 2015 the Resource Centre** officially becomes CommonWord: Bookstore and Resource Centre, a new collaboration between Mennonite Church Canada and Canadian Mennonite University. All the usual family and congregational materials and more – for loan and download – will remain available from [www.commonword.ca](http://www.commonword.ca) and through the new physical location at 2299 Grant Avenue in Winnipeg. This merger with CMU Bookstore expands our services to include retail products, extended hours of operation and residence in a beautiful public venue. We look forward to continuing to serve you!

**New contact information:** Toll-free: 1-877-846-1593 T: 204-594-0527  
E: [info@commonword.ca](mailto:info@commonword.ca) Web: [www.commonword.ca](http://www.commonword.ca)

- **Ben and Patti Wiebe of Beamsville, ON** are preparing for a Mennonite Church Canada short term ministry assignment at Union Biblical Seminary (UBS) in Pune, India. Ben will teach four New Testament courses and Patti will assist with the Women's Ministry program, Jan. to March 2015. The Wiebes have previously served in India on similar assignments.

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Rosthern Mennonite Church Financial Report						
December 21, 2014						
Worship service #51						
	Weekly		Weekly		Year to Date	
	Actual	Budget	Surplus/Deficit	Actual	Budget	Surplus/Deficit
<b>Budget</b>	\$ 2,938.80	\$ 4,039.00	\$ (1,100.20)	\$191,259.70	\$ 205,989.00	\$ (14,729.30)
<b>Coffee fund</b>	\$ 67.30					
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3,006.10</b>	<b>\$ 4,039.00</b>	<b>\$ (1,100.20)</b>	<b>\$191,259.70</b>	<b>\$ 205,989.00</b>	<b>\$ (14,729.30)</b>

**Attendance last Sunday: 98**

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