
Rosthern Mennonite Church

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Worship Service
Mar. 8, 2015, No. 10

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Pianist Kathy Luitjens

Prelude
First Look - Listen to God's Word

Candle Lighting
Welcome and Announcements
Call to Worship

Gathering Hymn Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing HWB #521
Children's Time and Prayer
Scripture Reading 1 Cor. 1:18-25 Pew Bible p. 807

Response to Scripture
Leader: We have doubts about your wisdom, God,
the way you do things seems like nonsense.
People: You make laws that are hard to follow -
and even if we keep them perfectly
we may still miss the mark.
Leader: Like the people of Israel, we wonder:
how are we supposed to get this right?
People: We want smoothness, not stumbling blocks.
Leader: Train us in your weakness
which is stronger than our strength,
People: help us trust your foolishness
that is wiser than our wisdom.

Upside down and inside out - we reflect on God's Word
Hymn Let's sing unto the Lord HWB #55
Psalm Reading Psalm 19:7-10, 14 Pew Bible p. 390
Message Nick Parkes,
Executive Director, Shekinah Retreat Centre

Second Look - Listen Again to God's Word
Hymn God, beyond our ways of knowing Insert
Scripture Reading 1 Cor. 1:18-25

Sharing of Joys and Concerns
Congregational Prayer
Tithes and Offerings
Response to God's Word

Leader: God turns things upside down and inside out, guiding
us to maturity through the message of the cross.
People: God, even when we struggle to make sense of it,
we will rely on your foolishness
and depend on your weakness.

Sending Blessing
Sending Song 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus HWB #340

PRAISE AND CONCERNS:

Please remember in prayer the Mennonite Church Sask annual
delegate sessions, which are happening at Mount Royal Mennonite
Church on Friday and Saturday. Our delegates are Craig Neufeld, Rita
MacDonald, Marian Jones, Larry Epp and Ric Driediger.

Cheyenne would like to thank everyone for the overwhelming
support she received from the congregation. She wants you to know that
when she shared about the generosity of RMC in the Have a Heart
Fundraising Campaign at RJC, it inspired others to initiate similar
actions in their home churches.

During the month of March, the Rosthern Ministerial asks us to pray for
St. Paul's Evangelical Missionary Church. Please pray also for the
upcoming World Day of Prayer.

EVENTS THIS WEEK:

Today - Following the service, coffee is served in the lower auditorium.
All are welcome. There will also be a children's activity time.

Adult Sunday School meets at 11:15.

Tuesday, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. - Youth Farm Bible Camp vereniki supper
here at RMC - everyone welcome, admission by donation. All funds
raised will go toward the ministry of YFBC.

Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. - Comforter making continues - all
are welcome, come for all or part of the day.

10:00 a.m. - Alzheimer/Dementia support group meets here.

Thursday, 7:00 p.m. - Youth meet at church - Bible study and games

Friday, 2:00 p.m. - World Day of Prayer, hosted this year by the Seventh
Day Adventist Church - all are welcome

7:30 p.m. - Saskatoon Men's Chorus will present a concert at Trinity
Lutheran Church, admission by donation

Friday - Saturday - Mennonite Church Sask annual delegate sessions, at Mount Royal Mennonite Church, Saskatoon
The Friday evening session, beginning at 6:45 p.m., will include a time of worship, a memorial service, and later, an informal farewell for Jerry Buhler. Please note the Friday evening session is open to all, and there is no registration fee.

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

10:00 a.m. - Worship service - fourth Sunday in Lent

11:00 a.m. - Coffee and fellowship time, adult Sunday School

Rosthern Mennonite Church Financial Report						
Worship service #9						
	Weekly		Year to Date			
	Actual	Budget	Weekly Surplus/Deficit	Actual	Budget	Surplus/Deficit
Budget	\$ 7,282.00	\$ 3,970.25	\$ 3,311.75	\$41,305.14	\$35,732.25	\$ 5,572.89
Blanket project	\$ 310.00					
GST Refund	\$ 797.84					
TOTAL	\$ 8,389.84	\$ 3,970.25	\$ 3,311.75	\$41,305.14	\$ 35,732.25	\$ 5,572.89

Attendance last Sunday: 89

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:

On March 15 (next Sunday) you will find a document called "Congregation Pastor Review" in your mail boxes. Members and attendees of RMC who are high school age and older are invited to complete this questionnaire. The purpose of the congregation/pastor review is to affirm and strengthen the pastor and congregation in their relationship and ministry. Please take the time to fill it out *as an individual*. If you need more copies, they are available at the church office. The reviews are to be returned by April 1st.

WoW! (World of Witness International Report) from Mennonite Church Canada Witness, is available on the rack in the foyer, with recent news stories from mission workers. Please take a copy if you're interested.

Summer camp information and registration forms have arrived. See the poster in the foyer. Brochures are available on the west wing bulletin board, or go to the camp web sites.

Mennonite Church Sask is inviting high school-aged youth to apply to serve as members of the VBS troupe this summer. If you are interested, or know of someone who is, please contact the church office for more information.

MCC Connects: Uprooted- a 3-week learning tour in May 2015 for young adults ages 18-25. **Application deadline March 16.** Travel as a team along the Northern & Southern borders of Mexico to learn about migration and peacebuilding. Sign up today! Find more details at mccsk.ca/uprooted or call Myriam Ullah at 306.665.2555

COMING EVENTS:

Mar. 20, 6:00 p.m. - Parkland Restorative Justice invites all to a soup and pie supper at Messiah Lutheran Church, PA - see the posted information. ***We have again been asked to contribute pies for this event - please see the sign-up sheet in the foyer, and sign up by March 15 if you are able to contribute a pie or two.***

Mar. 20, 6:30 p.m. - The Rosthern Mennonite Nursing Home board invites you to a supper and information evening, here at RMC, to learn about the new personal care home and their plans for fund-raising. **No charge for the supper, but please RSVP by Mar. 16 to Tarri (232-4861) or Tarri.Ostapak@saskatoonhealthregion.ca** so they will know how much food to prepare.

Mar. 22, 7:00 p.m. - RJC Guys 'n' Pies, an evening of superb music and delicious desserts, featuring A Buncha Guys (an all-male choir from Saskatoon directed by Russ Regier), and the RJC Man Choir directed by Richard Janzen. Included in the evening will be a **dessert auction** with decorated and calorie-filled desserts up for bid (bid individually, as a table, family or consortium). Funds raised will go toward RJC program projects. Coffee, tea and pie will be served during the evening. Everyone welcome!

Mar. 29 - On Palm Sunday, RJC will be here for our morning service, followed by a pot luck dinner. More information to follow.

Apr. 2, 7:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday, communion service

Apr. 3, 9:00 a.m. - All who wish to participate, are invited to gather at the Rosthern Food Bank, and join in a 'Cross Walk' to St. Odilon's Roman Catholic Church, the site of this year's community Good Friday service
10:00 a.m. - Community Good Friday service at St. Odilon's

Apr. 10 - 12 - Mission workers George & Tobia Veith will be our guests for a Deeper Life series exploring their work with the church in China.

June 15-19, 22-26 - Canadian School of Peacebuilding, at Canadian Mennonite University - classes are open to all, see the posted information

The art work displayed in the foyer, 'Teeming Waters,' is the fifth in a series of prints, images of Earth's beginnings, reminding us "that God is found in surprising places, any place on our planet, wherever people are open to being surprised by God's presence. And wherever that place is, we are called to live our faith mindful of the culture in which we are located."

Denise, the artist, has given us this description of her work:

'Let the waters teem with countless living creatures... the great sea monsters and all living creatures that move and swarm in the waters, according to their own kind. God marvels at His good handiwork ... '

Take a few minutes to read the rest of Denise's explanation, posted beside the print.