
Rosthern Mennonite Church

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Worship Service
5th Sunday in Lent
April 2, 2017, No. 14

Worship Leader Craig Neufeld
Pianist Brenda Epp

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: Come. Bring your weary bones and your crushed souls.
All: Now is the time to worship the life-giving Spirit.
Leader: Come. Bring your dashed hopes and broken dreams.
All: Now is the time to worship the life-giving Spirit.
Leader: Come. Bring your heavy sorrow and lingering sadness.
All: Now is the time to worship the life-giving Spirit.
Leader: Bring all that you have and all that you are.
The Spirit is here to breathe life into all that is lifeless.

Prayer

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Hymn Holy Spirit, come with power HWB #26

Congregational Sharing

Congregational Prayer

Hymn Nothing is lost on the breath of God StS #121

Children are blessed for Sunday School

Tithes & Offerings

Prayer With all that we have and all that we are, we honor you.
Restore us, O God, to live in freedom and trust.

Scripture Reading Ezekiel 37:1-14 Pew Bible p. 614

Hymn Breathe on me, breath of God HWB #356

Meditation "Restore us, O God!" Craig Neufeld

Sending Blessing

Sending Song I will come to you in the silence StS #49

PRAISE AND CONCERNS:

During the month of April, the Rosthern Ministerial asks us to pray for St. Odilon Roman Catholic Church, and for all who seek refuge.

THIS WEEK:

Today, 11:00 a.m. - Coffee and fellowship time in the lower auditorium - all are welcome!

11:15 p.m. - Adult Sunday School class, "Let's Talk ... About Mental Illness" - all are welcome. The final class, this week, is "Suicide Awareness, Prevention, and Supportive Responses." Betty Rudachyk is facilitating the class.

7:00 p.m. - Guys 'n' Pies Fund-raiser and Dessert Auction at RJC, featuring A Buncha Guys and the RJC ManChoir. Included in the evening will be a dessert auction, and funds raised will go toward RJC program projects. Coffee, tea and pie will be served. Everyone is welcome!

7:00 p.m. - Music Night Fund-raiser, at the Rosthern Senior Centre, in support of Christlike Ministries, as they hope to build a halfway house for prisoners in Juarez, Mexico. See the poster for information and pictures of the local performers.

Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. - Willing Helpers meet. Verse is "Poverty/justice," and the offering will be for MCC School kits.

1:00 - 4:30 p.m. - Blanket-making

6:00 - 9:00 p.m. - Children's Literacy

Thursday, 7:30 p.m. - A Night of Song Fundraiser in support of Valley Action Abilities, and featuring several choirs, here in our church. Admission is by donation, and everyone is welcome. See the poster.

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

10:00 a.m. - Worship service - Palm Sunday, RJC Chorale will be here for our worship service. A pot luck dinner will follow the service. Please bring a casserole, salad, or dessert, enough for your family and a little extra to feed our guests! Buns and beverages will be supplied.

4:00 p.m. - Ordination of Josh Wallace, at Warman Mennonite Church. All are welcome for the service and faspas to follow.

Rosthern Mennonite Church Financial Report

Table with columns: Actual, Weekly Budget, Weekly Surplus/Deficit, Year to Date Actual, Year to Date Budget, Year to Date Surplus/Deficit. Rows include Offering, Photocopier, Coffee fund, BUDGET, YFBC, Silent Auction, and TOTAL.

Attendance last Sunday: 82

Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) scheduling volunteers for Fort McMurray response. Weekly volunteers are needed starting May 14 to begin rebuilding in Fort McMurray. Volunteers have two options. Sign up for Fort McMurray, where volunteers will construct basements or sign up for Saskatoon, where volunteers will build Ready to Move homes that will be moved to Fort McMurray and set on the basements. To sign up contact the Weekly Crew Volunteer Coordinator, Darin Bontrager at dbontrager@mds.mennonite.net or by calling 1-800-241-8111. You can also fill out an online form at <https://mds.mennonite.net/volunteer/>. (The RTM houses will actually be built at Hague.)

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:

Scholarships for students attending Christian education are available from Mennonite Trust. Students are invited to apply directly to MTL, by going to www.mennonitetrust.ca for more information.

Refresh, Refocus, Renew Survey Invitation. MC Sask has entered a year of intentional prayer and engagement around questions of identity, vision, and purpose. You are invited to complete a brief survey, available at www.mcsask.ca. The survey will be open until Monday, April 3. For a paper copy of the survey, please talk to Kathy or Todd today!

Mennonite Disaster Service 2017 Family Project at Camp Wildwood, New Brunswick. Families are fill in the Family Project application at www.mds.mennonite.net/volunteer/family-programs. For information, contact the MDS Office at mdscn@mds.mennonite.net or call us at 866-261-1274. Please note that preference will be given to families from Atlantic Canada until Apr. 15, but we invite all to apply beginning Mar. 23.

RJC Job Opportunity: RJC anticipates an opening(s) for the 2017-2018 school year on its residence staff. Residence staff work as part of a team to provide a safe, supportive learning community for students in our dorm. Position to begin Monday, Aug. 28. Housing is provided. For information please contact the school at 206-232-4222 or office@rjc.sk.ca.

MCC Connects: MCC Canada welcomes applications for MCC Canada Executive Director, Interested individuals are asked to apply online at: mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/openings by April 7th, 2017. To learn more, contact karengracepankratz@mcccanada.ca.

COMING EVENTS:

Apr. 13, 7:00 p.m. - Maundy Thursday communion service

Apr. 14, 9:00 a.m. - The Path of the Cross - walk with others from the community - meet at the Rosthern District Food Bank

10:00 a.m. - Good Friday Ecumenical Worship service, at St. Odilon - all are welcome

Apr. 16, 9:00 a.m. - Easter Breakfast - all are welcome. Please bring your choice of Easter baking and/or fruit. The Hospitality Committee will supply cheese. A children's Easter egg hunt will be part of the activity.

10:00 a.m. - Easter Sunday worship service

Apr. 18-19 - *Honouring the Earth* overnight event for youth in Gr. 6 - 12, presented by SMYO and MegaMenno, with MCC SK. See the poster in the lower auditorium.

Apr. 19 - Blanket-makers will work from 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., with a soup luncheon at noon. open to all who have worked on blankets this year.

Apr. 22, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Volunteers needed for Shekinah firewood cutting day. Call 306-945-4929 or email director@shekinahretreatcentre.org.

Apr. 22, 6:00 pm - Spring Banquet in the Woods 2nd annual Fundraising Event for Parkland Restorative Justice, featuring guest speaker Jorgina Sunn, Aboriginal Order of Canada Recipient. Tickets \$40/each or \$300/table of 8. Doors open at 5pm at the Prince Albert Wildlife Federation Building (3 km north of Prince Albert). Contact Heather at 306-763-6224 or parklandrestorativejustice@gmail.com for tickets or more info.

Apr. 23, 2:30 p.m. - Saskatoon Men's Chorus invites all to their spring concert, at Grace-Westminster United Church, Saskatoon.

April 26, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. - Blanket-making as usual. Bring a lunch, and all interested in the afternoon tea will leave for Saskatoon at 12:30.

1:30 - 3:30 p.m. - Volunteer Appreciation Tea, at the MCC Centre in Saskatoon, for all involved in making blankets or kits for MCC or quilts for the Relief Sale. RSVP to Jerry at 306-665-2555 by Apr. 21. Come for refreshments, displays, tours, a speech or two and lots of fellowship.

Apr. 26-May 15 - CMU Study Tour to the Middle East - for more information visit met2017@cmu.ca or call 204-487-3300.

Apr. 27, 7:30 p.m. - Station Singers spring concert, featuring songs written or made famous by Canadian songwriters and performers. Tickets available from choir members or at the Station. The concert will be repeated at Mayfair United Church on Friday, Apr. 28. See the poster.

Apr. 28, 7:00- 9:00 p.m.; Apr. 29, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. - Refresh, Refocus, Renew - Visioning sessions for Mennonite Church SK, at Mount Royal MC, with Betty Pries. All are welcome, see posted information.

Apr. 28-30 - A Buncha Guys 20-year Reunion. Please contact Russ Regier at abg20year@gmail.com to register or for more information.

Apr. 30, 2:30 p.m. - A Buncha Guys Spring Concert, at Knox United Church, featuring the 20-Year Reunion Choir. Tickets \$5, offering will be taken for MCC. See the poster.

May 1-25 - Uprooted 2017 - Join MCC on a 3-week learning tour for young adults to travel with your peers and explore the southern and northern borders of Mexico. Visit mcccanada.ca/uprooted

May 6, 6:00 p.m. - Shekinah fund-raising banquet and capital project launch, at Mount Royal Mennonite Church, Saskatoon

May 27 - RJC Annual Fundraising Golf Tournament - see the poster

May 28, 2:30 p.m. - RJC Spring Concert - see the poster

June 9-10 - MCC Sask Relief Sale and Auction at Prairieland Park, Saskatoon - watch for more information

June 12-16, 19-23 - Canadian School of Peace-building, at Canadian Mennonite University. Go to csop.cmu.ca or csop@cmu.ca

Oct. 13-15 - Mennonite Church Canada Special Assembly, for a final review of Future Directions proposals.