Rosthern Mennonite Church

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Worship Service October 8, 2017, No. 41

Worship Leader Joanne Dyck Pianist Nancy Epp

Prelude

Call to Worship

Leader: Come! It is time to harvest!

Bring the fruit to the owner of the vineyard.

People: The owner cares for the vine and desires its fruitfulness.

Leader: Come! It is time to harvest.

Bring the fruit to the owner of the vineyard.

People: The owner will throw away the vines

that don't produce good fruit.

Leader: The Lord has made a new covenant with his people through

Christ, so that they may know of God's love for them, know the power of the resurrection, and be given new life. Come! It is time to harvest. Bring the fruit to the owner of the vineyard.

All: We bring ourselves, trusting that as we draw closer to

Christ, we bear kingdom-fruit character and actions.

Prayer

Welcome & Announcements

Gathering Hymn Morning has broken HWB #648

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Congregational Prayer

Hymn Now thank we all our God HWB #86

Children are blessed for Sunday School

Tithes and Offerings

Scripture Reading Matthew 22:15-22 Pew Bible p. 699

Hymn I owe the Lord a morning song HWB #651

Meditation "Paying Taxes with Gratitude" Craig Neufeld

Sending Blessing

Sending Song We plow the fields and scatter HWB #96

PRAISE AND CONCERNS:

Today we praise God for the Willing Helpers Ladies Aid, which has disbanded after almost 100 years of faithfully serving God, by serving the church and community. See the display of photos and albums downstairs.

Please pray for the Mennonite Church Canada Special Assembly next weekend in Winnipeg, and for the Future Directions: Covenant New nationwide restructuring process. Our delegates are Craig, Nancy, and Claire. Please remember Craig and Nancy in prayer as they travel to Winnipeg this weekend.

During the month of October, the Rosthern Ministerial asks us to pray for St. Augustine's Anglican Church, and for the Rosthern District Food Bank.

THIS WEEK:

<u>Today, 11:00 a.m.</u> – Following the service, all are invited for coffee and fellowship time in the lower auditorium.

Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. - Church Council meeting

<u>Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</u> – Blanket-making begins. All are welcome, bring a lunch if you wish, and stay for the whole day.

<u>10:00 a.m.</u> – Alzheimer/dementia support group meets here **7:00 p.m.** – Children's Hour, for children from age 4 to Grade 5

<u>Thursday, 6:00 p.m.</u> – Rosthern Food Bank fund-raising and information supper, at St. Odilon. Please note that you need to have reserved ahead to attend. See posted information. For more information contact Linda Rudachyk: lindarudachyk@msn.com.

Friday, Saturday – RJC Alumni homecoming weekend featuring friendly competition in volleyball and soccer, and connections with old friends. Alumni, their spouses, friends, and family, are all welcome to come join in the fun. Soccer will be Saturday only - meet in the Rehearsal Hall at 10:00 and bring a white and dark t-shirt and \$5.00. To register for volleyball (by Oct. 10) or for more information, email Denelda at deneldafast@hotmail.com. A delicious lunch will be available in the Rehearsal Hall from 11:00 - 1:00.

<u>Friday - Sunday</u> – Mennonite Church Canada Special Assembly in Winnipeg, for a final review of *Future Directions* proposals.

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

<u>10:00 a.m.</u> – Representatives of Mennonite Trust will present the morning service here, in celebration of the 100th anniversary of the organization.

11:00 a.m. - Coffee and fellowship time

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Seventh Day Adventist Church has asked to use our building on Saturday mornings for worship, while their new church is being built. Church Council has agreed to this request. If you have any questions, please contact the church office, or a Church Council member. Please note: all existing Saturday rental requests will still be honored.

A new church directory will be printed soon. Please take a look at the preliminary version, posted in the lower auditorium, and make corrections to your own entry, or entries of other members of your family, as needed. Put check marks beside entries that are correct as printed. Thank you.

Teen Challenge Sask has sent us a list of needed supplies, as well as info re: upcoming graduations from their program. See the posted notice.

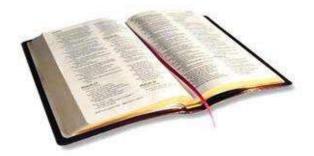
MCC Connects: From earthquakes in Mexico, to hurricanes in the Caribbean, to flooding in Bangladesh, MCC is responding to urgent disasters around the world. Please join us in prayer and donate today. Donations can be made by calling 1-888-622-6337 or by contacting your local MCC office.

MCC and Mennonite Church Eastern Canada are organizing a Middle Eastern Learning Tour for young adults, to take place in May 2018. Interested young adults are asked to apply by Oct. 31, 2017. See posted information.



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 Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m.- Noon

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COMING EVENTS:

Oct. 18, 7:00 p.m. – At Wildwood Mennonite Church, Saskatoon. Theatre of the Beat presents "Yellow Bellies," a historical drama about two fictional men, Alvin Bender and Rudy Enns, who opt out of conscription as pacifists, and choose to help the country in an alternate method. Through dramatic techniques and live music, a full story comes to life about these men. All are welcome, admission by donation.

Oct. 21, 5:00 p.m. - RJC Annual Corporation Meeting - RJC Chapel. We invite all members of our constituency to attend our annual meeting. Report books are available in the foyer.

<u>6:00 p.m.</u> - RJC Homecoming Dinner - "AIRJC Come Fly with Us - Celebrating 20 years of Service". This year's fundraising dinner will celebrate 20 years of the RJC ALSO program. The evening will take you on a journey, seeing RJC's impact in Canada, the Southern US and Latin America, as we share how our alumni continue to give back and be change-makers locally, nationally and internationally. Alumni from many generations will be featured as speakers and musical performers! A live and a silent auction will be featured! Meal is complimentary, **RSVP by Oct. 13**. See the poster.

Calling all alumni to join us at the AIRJC Homecoming Banquet to perform a few numbers in an Alumni Choir directed by Duff Warkentin. Music will be chosen and available ahead of time, and there will be one practice leading up to the performance. If interested, please contact Tammy Forrester at tammy.forrester@rosthernjuniorcollege.ca

Oct. 28 – MC SK Equipping Day, at Zoar Mennonite, Waldheim – cost is \$40, including lunch. Poster and registration forms are in the foyer, and everyone is welcome.

Nov. 3 - 4 - MC Sask Women's Retreat at Shekinah - see the poster

Nov. 4, 8:45 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. - The MCCS Encounter & AGM will be held at Cornerstone Church, Saskatoon, SK. Join us for worship, listen to stories and reporting, and attend workshops. Guest Speaker: Bruce Guenther, MCC Canada Disaster Response Director. See the posted information and registration forms. Four delegates are needed from our congregation; please call the church office or talk to a member of the nominating committee (Ralph, Rita, Ruth) if you are interested.

Rosthern Mennonite Church Financial Report October 1, 2017 Worship service #40					
	Weekly	Weekly Year to Date		to Date	
Actua		Surplus/Deficit	Actual	Budget	Surplus/Deficit
3	32.00				
	16.00				
Direct deposit\$ 4	125.00				
TOTAL \$ 4,6	673.00 \$ 3,539.00	\$ 1,134.00	\$137,328.44	\$ 141,560.00	\$ (4,231.56)