

<u><b>This week at MRMC</b></u>		
Monday	10:00 am	Worship Ministry meeting
	7:00 pm	MR YAM
Tuesday	9:30 am	Forever in Motion
Wednesday	10:00 am	Bethany Manor Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Forever in Motion
	7:30 pm	Choir rehearsal
Thursday	9:30 am	Forever in Motion & BB+
Friday	5:00 pm	JRAM in Sanctuary
Saturday	1-7 pm	JRAM in Sanctuary
Sunday		<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>
	9:00 am	Fellowship in the foyer
	9:30 am	Sunday School for all ages
	<b>10:40 am</b>	<b>Worship Service with Communion</b>
	1:00 pm	Jesus Rock of Ages Ministry Worship
	6:00 pm	MRMC Christmas Banquet

### **Thought for the week**

“Those who believe in Jesus can no longer look at their death as though it were in front of them. It is behind them.”  
[Barth]

This is a reminder that you are able to do your church giving electronically

- **Using a free smart phone app:** Search for **tithe.ly** in your Google Play or Apple App store.
- **Via the internet from your computer:** Search for **tithe.ly** and from the search results go to:  
Give to your Church - Tithe.ly  
A full introduction was sent out via email a few weeks ago. If you missed it or would like to see it again, contact Len Andres or Marianne in the office.

### **Today's Service**

Greeters: Cheryl & Wilf F  
Worship Leader: Trevor S  
Song Leader: Verna O Pianist: Shelley B  
Ushers: Dory I, Helmut I, Marianne S, Bernie W

## **Welcome to Mount Royal Mennonite Church**

Learning to live - through relationships with Jesus,  
our neighbours and each other

Sunday School 9:30 am Worship Service 10:45 a.m.

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### **Eternity Sunday**

Prelude  
Announcements  
Silence

#### **SEASONS OF LOSS, SEASONS OF BLESSING**

Gathering Words  
Gathering Prayer

#### **SUMMER – Season of joy**

*"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning." [Lamentations 3:22-23]*

Gathering songs

*"Here in this place"*

HWB #6

*"Great is thy faithfulness"*

HWB #327

Offering

Faith G

Story for all ages

Monica D

#### **AUTUMN – Season of loss**

*"Come to me all you who are tired from carrying heavy loads, and I will give you rest." [Matt 11:28]*

Choir

*"Cast thy burden upon the Lord"*

#### **WINTER – Season of grief**

Choir

*"Precious Lord, take my hand"*

Scripture

Psalm 23

Marianne S

#### **Lighting of Memorial Candles**

Sermon

*'And trust, trust, trust'*

Garth E F

#### **SPRING – Season of hope**

Hymn of response

*"In the bulb there is a flower"*

HWB #614

Peace Lamp

Sharing of joys and concerns

Prayers of the people

Choir

*"A choral benediction"*

Benediction

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

**All: Thanks be to God!**

Postlude

## Joys & Concerns

- **Pray for:** *Irene & Jake W, Marg W, Helen F, Maureen G, Nettie & Roy W*
- **Families of the Week:** *Jake B, Gwen L, Jen & Jeff F*
- Our offering last Sunday was \$3,447, received with joy and thanks-giving for all that God is doing for us and in our community.
- This week we pray for the Colombian lawmakers who are responsible for putting the peace accords into action. Jeffrey Feltman, the United Nations (UN) Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, has expressed extreme concern for the future of peace in Colombia after his visit to the country last week. The transitional justice system was expected to begin in the next few months but has recently undergone amendments in Congress that would exclude politicians and businesses involved in war crimes from the truth commission. This decision will severely debilitate the original agreements and continue to re-victimize the victims of the conflict. The [UN has stated](#) clearly that "failure to comply with this essential commitment, after the surrender of weapons [by the FARC], would have very serious repercussions for the process and would not be understood or accepted by the international community." We pray for truth. We pray for justice. (CPT)

## MRMC Coming Events & Notes

1. **Nov 28 Giving Tuesday** is a movement for giving and volunteering. It is considered the "Opening day of the giving season," a day where charities, companies and individuals join together to share commitments, rally for favourite causes and think about others. Consider a donation to MRMC, MC Sask, MCC or your favourite charity.
2. **Dec 3 6:30 pm MRMC Christmas Banquet** Today is the last day to get your tickets for \$25/person!
3. **Drivers Needed** - we need driver to help with 2018 seniors transportation. Please let us know if you can help by either emailing Wilf Funk at wfunk1@sasktel.net or calling 306-281-4149.

## Conference & Community Events

- a. **Sonrisa Women's Choir and A Buncha Guys** come together for two concerts this Christmas season. Saturday, December 9th at 7:30 at Knox United Church in Saskatoon, and Sunday, December 17th at 7:00 at Shekinah Retreat Centre. Donations from both concerts will go to support Shekinah. Please join us!
- b. **Dec 11 7:30 pm "Have you Heard the Story"** *Christmas with John Rutter* presented by the Station Singers at the Station Arts Centre in Rosthern. Tickets are \$20/Adults, \$10/Students, \$5/under 12 and are available from choir members.

- c. **THANK YOU!** We really appreciate individuals and congregations giving this year, however this time of year always leaves MC Sask income a little short of budget (about \$40,000). As we work together in fulfilling our commitments we planned and budgeted for in 2017, please consider making an additional donation to MC Sask.  
**For your 2018 budget** all giving for MC Sask and MC Canada will be given to MC Sask and MC Canada's share will be forwarded to them. We trust your total giving will remain about the same. Thank you again, it has been a pleasure working together. (*MC Sask Council*)
- d. **Job Opportunities at Shekinah.** We are currently looking for a Maintenance Manager, and Hospitality Manager. Both positions are year-round, with flexible hours ranging from full to part-time, depending on the strengths and skills of the applicant. Visit the Shekinah website ([www.shekinahretreatcentre.org](http://www.shekinahretreatcentre.org)) or Facebook page for more details, or contact Kirsten in the office ([director@shekinahretreatcentre.org](mailto:director@shekinahretreatcentre.org), 306-945-4929).
- e. **MCC Connects:** Are you a young adult interested in building relationships and exploring our global inter-connectedness? SALT - Serving & Learning Together is currently seeking applicants between the ages of 18 - 30 for a one-year Service and Learning experience. Visit [salt.mcc.org](http://salt.mcc.org) for more information today or call Erica Baerwald at MCC Saskatchewan (306) 665-2555.
- f. **RJC Choir Christmas Concerts** - Concert #1: Wednesday, December 20, 7:30 pm at Knox United Church, 838 Spadina Crescent East, Saskatoon. Concert #2: Friday, December 22, 7:00 pm at Rosthern Junior College. Admission is free; a collection will be taken in support of RJC. Everyone is welcome.
- g. The **Mennonite Disaster Service** All-Unit Meeting is being hosted by Region 5 (Canada) from February 9-10, 2018 in Winkler, MB. This event is open to all who are interested in the work of MDS. For more information or to register for the event see our website [mds.mennonite.net/all-unit-meeting](http://mds.mennonite.net/all-unit-meeting) or call our Winnipeg office at 1-866-261-1274.
- h. **Interested in studying at CMU?** Apply before Nov. 30 and have your application fee waived. See [cmu.ca/apply](http://cmu.ca/apply). CMU's Sunday@CMU radio program will feature a new sermon series by Dr. Andrew Dyck, Assistant Professor of Ministry Studies, throughout December. The five-part series uses the Advent/Christmas season as a springboard to discuss Jesus Christ's second coming, and what it means to live as a faithful Christian. Sunday@CMU airs Sunday mornings at 8:30-8:45 AM on CFAM 950 Radio and AM 1250 Radio and online at [tinyurl.com/Sunday-CMU](http://tinyurl.com/Sunday-CMU)
- i. Bethany Manor is accepting applications for a ¾ time interim Spiritual Care Coordinator. See: <http://www.bethany55plusliving.ca/>