

<u>This Week at MRMC</u>		
Monday	6:00 pm	Pickleball
Tuesday	8:00 am	Seniors Breakfast at Grainfields
	9:30 am	Forever in Motion
	1:30 pm	Pickleball
Wednesday	5:00 pm	PCRC Meeting
	6:00 pm	Pickleball
	7:00 pm	AA Meeting (Hosts: John and Shirley K)
	7:30 pm	Choir
Thursday	9:30 am	Forever in Motion
	10:30 am	BB+
	1:30 pm	Pickleball
Friday	10:00 am	Bethany Manor Coffee Time
	12-8 pm	Gym Rental
Saturday	12-8 pm	Gym Rental
	1-6 pm	Prairie River Artists using basement
	2-5 pm	Mezzanine in use
	3-7 pm	JRAM using Sanctuary
Sunday	10:00 am	Sunday Worship Service
	12-4 pm	JRAM in Sanctuary
	4-8 pm	Gym Rental

Important Dates in December

Dec 1	Christmas Potluck after the service
Dec 22 at 4:00 pm	Sunday School and Choir program followed by a finger food potluck
Dec 24 at 7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Dec 25	NO Service

Today's Service

Worship Leader: Naomi U
 Song Leader: Grace P
 Pianist: Val R
 PowerPoint: Len A
 Sound: Wes E
 Video: Daniel M

Welcome to Mount Royal Mennonite Church

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

Worship Service 10:00 am

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ADVENT 1

Carol Singing

O Come All Ye Faithful

VT #241

What Child is This

VT #267

Joy to the World

VT #240

Land Appreciation Statement

Silence

GATHERING

Call to Worship

Gathering Song

Hark! The Glad Sound

VT #217

We Come

Psalm Reading

Psalm 25: 1-10

Judy H

Offertory Prayer

HEARING

Story for all Ages

Jo-Anne N

Advent Candle Lighting

We Sing

Silent Night

VT #244

Scripture

Jeremiah 33: 14-16

Sermon

The Promise of Truth

Emily S

Eternity Sunday Memorial Candle Lighting

SHARING

Peace Lamp

Sharing our joys and concerns

Sharing our prayers

SENDING

Sending Song

He Came Down

VT #239

Blessing

Postlude

Joys & Concerns

- **Present Concerns:** *Elaine H, Myrna Sc*
- **Continued Prayer Support:** *Evelyn S, Maureen G, Anne K, Marg W, Eric and Doris Q*
- **Families of the week:** *Anne T, Eileen K, Dennis and Grace A*
- We are thankful for last week's offering in the amount of \$1,100 received to support our work in our church and neighborhood.

MRMC Notes and Events

- a) **Christmas meal: December 1, today**, after church. There is a sign up sheet at the back of the church for the food items we need you to bring. Also please bring games that we can play after the meal.
- b) **We are looking for people to sign up for making coffee for fellowship after the church service.** There are instructions in the kitchenette or you can talk to any staff member (they all know how to work our coffee maker!)
- c) **This Christmas MRMC will be collecting donations in support of tackling the growing issue of food insecurity in our community.** We will be collecting monetary and non-perishable food items at the church for the Friendship Inn. You can also contact Evan for more information on donating anything on the Friendship Inn's wish list.

Conference and Community Events

- 1) **Dec 1 at 3 p.m. A Very Shekinah Christmas:** Enjoy Christmas goodies and the beautiful harmonies of Golden Hour. Funds raised go towards the purchase of additional snow removal equipment.
- 2) **Dec 4 from 5:00-7:00, the Youth Farm Bible Camp will be hosting their annual Christmas Fundraising Supper.** Menu is Slow Roasted Beef and Turkey, Stuffing, Potatoes, Salad and all the fixings! Admission is by donation. Come support the camp and learn about the ministry.
- 3) **Dec 7 and 8: "All is well: Jesus is born!" Bethany chorus Christmas concert with Special Guests Michelle Busa & Crystal Dueck,** Saturday, Dec 7 at 2:00 pm and Sunday, Dec 8 at 7:00 pm in the Bethany Manor Fellowship centre. Honorarium at the door
- 4) **Dec 9, 5:00-7:00 pm: RJC Dine & Donate in support of Good Neighbours Food Centre.** You're invited to a perogy & sausage supper prepared by the RJC kitchen staff in support of the Good Neighbours Food Centre in Rosthern. Admission is by donation and all proceeds raised will go directly to GNFC for Santa's toy shop and food aid for families in need during the Christmas season. The supper will take place in the RJC High School dining hall in our dormitory building. All are welcome!
- 5) **Dec 14: The Merry Mega Menno Christmas will be happening at Osler Mennonite Church on Saturday, December 14th from 7-9 pm.** Come out for a Christmas party with games, snacks, eggnog and prizes.

Additional prizes will be awarded to whoever arrives in the most festive outfit for the evening. Email oslermcpastor2@gmail.com if you have any questions.

- 6) **Dec 19 at 7:00 pm: RJC Christmas Concert:** You're invited to join us as we celebrate the Christmas season at RJC! Featuring performances by the RJC High School choirs and band, directed by Adelle Sawatzky. The concert will take place in the RJC Auditorium at 410 - 6th Avenue in Rosthern. Admission by donation. Everyone is welcome!
- 7) **Save the date! The MC Sask Gathering 2025 (annual delegate sessions) will be held at RJC High School on March 7 & 8, 2025.** The theme is "*Differences for the Common Good*". All are welcome to attend. More details available soon!
- 8) **Shekinah's firewood blitz:** Shekinah has deadfall! Do you have a chainsaw and friends that enjoy some spending a few hours out in the beautiful crisp fall air? Contact Kent at 306 945-4929 to let him know when you would like to come out and help prepare Shekinah for winter!
- 9) **The Youth Farm Bible camp is asking for donations of used Christmas decorations, artificial trees, blacksmith items, antique bowls, vases, table wear, fabric materials, feed bags etc** to help create a Bethlehem scene at our annual corn maze Christmas event in December. Contact Jacob at 306-212-0325 or jacob@yfbcc.ca
- 10) **Canadian Mennonite** seeks a new a publisher to begin in spring 2025. For more info go to: <https://canadianmennonite.org/about-cm/employment-opportunities/>
- 11) **Remember MC Sask in year-end giving** Through the fall, Mennonite Church Saskatchewan Council and staff have met with most of our 21 congregations to learn about and discuss issues that are impacting our church today. These conversations have been valuable in deepening our connections with each other. As we work together to strengthen these bonds across our regional and nationwide churches, we invite you to support this important ministry. Please consider MC Sask in your year-end giving. Visit <http://mcsask.ca/donate/>. Thank you for being part of this journey!
- 12) **MCC Connects:** Mail delivery this Christmas will likely be impacted by the postal strike. While this creates uncertainty for many Canadians, we want to reassure you that MCC's work continues. If you usually send your donations through the mail, we have some secure alternatives to consider. You may make a secure donation anytime on our website at <https://mcc.org/christmas> or we invite you to donate by phone at 306-665-2555. Thank you for your continued support during this season of giving.