

<u>This Week at MRMC</u>		
Monday	9-3:30 pm	Gym Rental
Wednesday	3-5 pm	JRAM using Sanctuary
	7:00 pm	AA (Host: Len A)
Saturday	1:00 pm	JRAM using Basement Room
	3-7 pm	JRAM using Sanctuary
Sunday	10:00 am	Sunday Worship Service
	12-4 pm	JRAM in Sanctuary

## 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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Prelude

Land Appreciation Statement

Silence

### GATHERING

Call to Worship

Gathering Songs *Arise, Your Light Is Come!* VT #273

*Helpless and Hungry* VT #268

Psalm Reading Psalm 112 Dave W

Offertory Prayer

### HEARING

Story for all Ages Trevor S

We Sing *To Us a Child of Hope is Born* VT #259

Scripture **Luke 2: 22-40**

Sermon **Something New Has Begun** Emily S

Hymn of Response *New Earth, Heavens New* VT #377

### SHARING

Peace Lamp

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Sharing our Prayers

### SENDING

Sending Song *Joy to the World* VT #240

Blessing

Postlude

### Today's Service

Worship Leader: Melody N

Song Leader: Darrell B

Pianist: Shelley B

PowerPoint: Len A

Sound: Wes E

Video: Daniel M

### Joys & Concerns

- **Continued Prayer Support:** *Maureen G, Anne K, Marg W, Eric and Doris Q, Elaine H, Myrna S, Evelyn S*
- **Families of the week:** *Kevin, Esther, Marcus, Arthur and Rowan C, Rita and Ray H, Willard and Kathy W*
- We are thankful for last week's offering in the amount of \$5,265 received to support our work in our church and neighborhood.

### MRMC Notes and Events

- a) **YEAR END DONATIONS:** Donations need to be in the office/etrans email by noon on Dec 31 to be counted in the 2024 donations.
- 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 Pam or any staff member for assistance.
- 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.
- d) **The Church is set to volunteer at the Friendship Inn on Saturday February 8th.** Breakfast shift is 7:30-9:30, Lunch is 11:00- 1:30, with meals provided after each shift. Please sign up if you intend to come.

### Conference and Community Events

- 1) **Jan 5 at 2:30 pm: An Afternoon of Classical Music.** This event will take place at Nutana Park Mennonite Church. Admission is Free but a collection will be taken in support of Mennonite Central Committee.
- 2) **Save the Date!** The Mega Menno gang are hard at work planning the **2025 Winter Youth Retreat!** Join us between January 31 to February 2 at the Shekinah Retreat Centre for a weekend of worship, community, and fun! More details to come in the next few weeks.
- 3) **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!

- 4) **MCC Connects:** From all of us at MCC Saskatchewan, we wish you a Merry Christmas! As we celebrate the birth of Christ, may you be filled with His hope, joy, peace, and love.
- 5) **As the year draws to a close, please consider the ways your gift to MC Sask extends beyond the ministries within our province to Mennonite Church Canada and its nationwide and international ministries.** Together we support the work of International Witness, CommonWord Bookstore and Resource Centre, Indigenous Relations, and Climate Action. Thank you for being a part of all these significant ministries. *We are currently \$44,000 behind in our budget.* Contributions can be made at <https://mcsask.ca/giving>
- 6) **RJC announces the addition of Grade 9!** In response to parental and student requests, and in an effort to expand and enhance our school program and mission, RJC High School is pleased to announce the addition of grade 9 for the 2025/2026 school year. Grade 9 is the natural intake for most high schools in the province, and an increasing number of students and families have requested this program. We are excited to now provide this opportunity for our students. For details go to <https://www.rjc.sk.ca/2024/12/04/rjc-announces-addition-of-grade-9/>