

<u>This Week at MRMC</u>		
Monday	6:00 pm	Pickleball
Tuesday	9:30 am	Forever in Motion
	1:30 pm	Pickleball
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Pickleball
	7:00 pm	AA (Host: Al R)
	7:30 pm	Choir
Thursday	9:30 am	Forever in Motion
	1:30 pm	Pickleball
Saturday	1-6 pm	JRAM using basement
	2-7 pm	Gym Rental
	3-7 pm	JRAM using Sanctuary
Sunday	10:00 am	Sunday Worship Service
	12-4 pm	JRAM Worship Service

Today's Service
Worship Leader: Gord and Marianne S
Pianist: Shelley B
Song Leader: Grace P
PowerPoint: Len A
Sound: Wes E
Video: Dennis H

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
Announcements
Silence

GATHERING

Call to Worship		
Gathering Songs	<i>Christ Has Risen Alleluia</i>	VT #341
	<i>In Christ Alone</i>	VT #332
Psalm Reading	Psalm 23	Jo-Anne N
Offertory Prayer		

HEARING

Story for all Ages		Jo-Anne N
We Sing	<i>Make Us One</i>	VT #455
Scripture	<i>Isaiah 25: 6-10</i>	
	<i>Luke 24: 12-36</i>	
Sermon	Guess who's coming to dinner?	Lois S
Hymn of Response	<i>Mountain of God</i>	VT #11

SHARING

Peace Lamp
Sharing our Joys and Concerns
Sharing our Prayers

SENDING

Sending Song	<i>Beyond A Dying Sun</i>	VT #416
Blessing		
Postlude		

Joys & Concerns

- **Continued Prayer Support:** *Elaine H, Evelyn S, Maureen G, Anne K, Marg W, Eric and Doris Q*
- **Families of the week:** *Ray and Grace P, Ella F, Evan, Donna, Emmett and Ainsley B*
- We give thanks for last week's offering of \$2,435 given freely as we learn to live through relationships with Jesus, our neighbours and each other.
- **Praying for each other:** *Tiefengrund Mennonite Church:* we are mindful of changing demographics in rural settings as well as a general decline in religious affiliation. It is good to hold these realities before God in prayer. We are grateful for the meaningful connections and worship which happen in a smaller congregation. It is good to hold this gratitude before God in prayer.
- It was with sadness that we heard the news of the passing of Pope Francis. He was a man of integrity, humility, and peace. He exemplified the teaching of Jesus as he walked among the poor and vulnerable. Please pray for our Roman Catholic siblings in faith and all who mourn the death of Francis. May we all seek to live out our faith with such courage and trust in our ever-loving God.

MRMC Notes and Events

- a) **Lost and found:** There a pair of glasses with a +1.25 prescription that have been sitting in Gwen's office. If they belong to you, please talk to Gwen.

Conference and Community Events

- 1) **May 4: Forest Church @ Shekinah 3pm.** Kirsten Hamm-Epp will expand on the year's theme: To everything there is a season. All are welcome!
- 2) **May 10: BIG DAY at CAMP ELIM!** CAMP CLEAN UP starting at 9:30am at Camp Elim. Come and go as you wish. Bring your own lunch. BINGO Fundraiser starting at 7:00pm in the Camp Elim Tabernacle! We've got snacks. We've got prizes. We've got a FREE night stay in a suite to give away!! and more!! Spread the word, and reserve your BINGO cards before May 1st to receive your 4th card FREE! Contact: 306-631-8463 or elimdirector@sasktel.net
- 3) **12 Native Plants to Consider Planting in Your Garden** If everyone in Saskatoon planted 1 sq. m. we would have 85 acres of

native plants; in Regina 62 acres. What should you grow? If you are just starting out here are 12 plants to attract and benefit butterflies: <https://mcsask.ca/news/12016-incert-april-16>

- 4) **MCM Spring Bible Study.** Join Michael Pahl, Executive Minister for Mennonite Church Manitoba, for a six-session series on Paul's letter to the Colossians, called "Rooted in Jesus." Participate as an individual or couple, or form a group with others from your congregation! Register here: www.mennochurch.mb.ca/biblestudy. May 8-June 12, 2025, Thursdays at 7:00pm Central via Zoom.
- 5) **A Palestine Land Exercise has been developed by MCC and the United Church of Canada for use in congregations to increase an understanding of the history of conflict in Palestine.** It is an experiential learning tool which simulates the experience of Palestinians. The facilitated exercise requires about two hours. If your group or congregation would be interested in experiencing the Palestine Land Exercise please contact Harry Harder, Palestine-Israel Network representative (306)281-3443 or Amanda Dodge, MCC (306)665-2555.
- 6) **Save the date! International Witness Sunday October 26, 2025** Learn about your global companions! Resources available September 1 at www.mennonitechurch.ca/TW-Sunday
- 7) **MCC Connects:** Happy Volunteer Appreciation Week! MCC would like to express gratitude for the many dedicated volunteers who contribute countless hours to the work of relief, development, and peace in the name of Christ. With over 1000 volunteers throughout Saskatchewan, this work could not be done without you!