

<u>This Week at MRMC</u>		
Tuesday	5:30 pm	Strategic Planning Team Meeting
	7:00 pm	Missions and Service Meeting
	7:30 pm	Spiritual Care Meeting
	7:30 pm	Worship Meeting
Wednesday	1:00 pm	Youth Cycling Club
	6-8 pm	AA Meeting in Gym (Host: Bryan)
Thursday	10:30 pm	Boomers +
Saturday	12-4 pm	Rental in Gym
	3-7 pm	JRAM in Sanctuary
Sunday	9:30 am	Sunday Worship Service

Thought of the Week

‘Good and evil both increase at compound interest. That is why the little decisions you and I make every day are of such infinite importance. The smallest good act today is the capture of a strategic point from which, a few months later, you may be able to go on to victories you never dreamed of.

An apparently trivial indulgence in lust or anger today is the loss of a ridge or railway line or bridgehead from which the enemy may launch an attack otherwise impossible.’

[C.S. Lewis]

Office Hours

Garth and Claire	Tues-Thurs	8:30 am – 3 pm
	Fri	8:30 am – 12:30 pm
Zach	Mon & Wed	10 am – 2 pm
Gwen	Mon - Fri	8 am-12:00 pm

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Today’s Service

Worship Leaders: Gord and Marianne S
 Song Leader: Val R
 Pianist: Verna O
 Powerpoint: Eric O
 Video: Wes E

Welcome to Mount Royal Mennonite Church

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

Worship Service 9:30 am

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Sermon
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‘God is the ruler yet’

What Does the Lord Require

Garth E F
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Sharing

Peace Lamp
 Sharing our stories
 Sharing our prayers

Sending Song
 Blessing

Sing a New World into Being

VT #809

Go now in peace to love and serve the Lord.
THANKS BE TO GOD! Amen

Postlude

Joys & Concerns

- **Pray for:** *Maureen G, Elsie S, Eric and Doris Q, Betty U, Nettie and Roy W, Willard and Kathy W, Anne E Marg W, Alex and Joel S, Agatha W, Hedio B*
- **Families of the week:** *Jeff and Jen F, Stephane N, Leonie L, Guylain, Evan, Marthe, Edwine*
- Let us remember Kelly J and family as they grieve the sudden passing of Kelly's father. He sustained injuries from a fall and died in hospital Wednesday morning. They are grateful for your thoughts and prayers.
- Gord dad took a turn for the worse Monday night. Gord, Marianne, and Gord's siblings are in Alberta with the family. Let's keep the Siemens family in our prayers.
- Agatha W's son in law Don passed away this week. The funeral will be held in North Battleford on Tuesday afternoon. Please keep Agatha, and Don's family in your prayers.
- We give thanks for last week's offering of \$2,200, given freely as we learn to live through relationships with Jesus, our neighbours and each other.

MRMC Coming Events and Notes

- If you would like to join the MRMC Golf group, please contact Ron or Heather Wiebe.
- We are currently working on updating the MRMC pictorial directory. Please send in a picture to Gwen at the church office or drop off a picture to her. Any questions please contact Melody.
- Earlier this June, Saskatoon Public School Foundation packed Cheer Crates in our multi purpose room. They are now inviting us to donate new reusable water bottles to distribute among Saskatoon students and staff. Please leave your donation at the church and we will get them to the organizers. Thanks.
- **Tuesday Aug 17 @ 10:00 AM, Kathy Andres** family will be holding an interment ceremony to bury her ashes at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome. Family will be traveling from Ontario and BC where the COVID-19 environment is more restricted than in Saskatchewan. Therefore, we respectfully ask is that, for everyone's safety, you wear a mask. The burial plot is located in the Good Shepherd Garden near the pool and fountain.

Conference and Community Events

- a) **Sunday Aug 22: "Under the Arbour":** an afternoon of Cree & Mennonites sharing music, dance, and a meal. **Muskeg Lake Cree Nation**, 3pm. Organized by "Walking the Path" committee. Watch for details!
- b) **Tuesday Aug 24: Gathering at Stoney Knoll**, NW of Laird. An invitation from the Stoney Knoll Band to the Mennonite & Lutheran

communities to come and meet each other, and reaffirm relationships around the Reserve 107 story. Watch for details!

- c) **August 25: Mega Menno Games Night at 7:00pm.** Join us for one last night of summer fun and games before the school year starts. Watch for more details regarding location and safety protocols, www.mcsask.ca/youth-ministry.
- d) **September 18: Save the Date: Shekinah Move-A-Thon.** Follow us on: **Facebook** @Shekinah Summer Camp, **Instagram** @Shekinah_Camps, and our website www.shekinah.ca for more fun and exciting information to come!
- e) **Oct. 15-16/2021: MC Sask Songfest of Thanks Rosthern Mennonite Church.** We continue to plan in hope and faith that we will be able to come together to give thanks and sing this fall, and are excited to announce **Duff Warkentin** as our Songfest Conductor and **Glenn Sawatzky** as Accompanist. All Covid-19 regulations will be followed. Stay tuned to www.mcsask.ca for registration and further information in the fall. Contact Kirsten Hamm-Epp, youthminister@mcsask.ca, with any questions.
- f) **Are you looking for a fun, fast-paced work environment?** Shekinah Retreat Centre might be the place for you! We are looking for a Casual Cook to work in our Timber Lodge kitchen up to 40 hours per week (mostly weekend work). Duties would include dealing with customers to help create nourishing menu plans, shopping for groceries and organizing kitchen help (servers, dishwashers) for each event. Computer literacy is required. Start date: September 2021. Send your resume to: director@shekinah.ca
- g) **MCC Connects:** Notebooks and pencils are treasures for families around the world who struggle to afford basic school supplies. This back to school season, we are gathering supplies for schools kits to equip students to learn. We are especially in need of notebooks (80 page notebooks are preferred). To donate notebooks you can drop them off at the MCC Saskatchewan Centre or donate funds by contacting us at 306.665.2555.
- h) **Youth Farm Corn Maze: We are opening our Corn Maze and Activity Centre on Saturday, August 21!** For the first two weekends, we will be having a Sunflower Festival. Come and take pictures in our sunflower field and purchase sunflowers for \$1 a piece (great price!). There is so much to do at our farm yard - climbing wall, petting zoo, jumping pillow, pedal carts, wagon ride, pumpkin barn, potato launcher, candy store and much more. PURCHASE tickets (\$10 for general admission or \$15 for wristbands that include lots of activities). Go to www.youthfarmcornmaze.com to purchase your tickets.

Mountain of God VT 11

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1. Come, let us go to a place that is pure,
to learn about love and wipe away tears;
to melt swords of steel and hearts made of stone,
set pris'ners free and give strangers a home.

Refrain

So come, come as you are,
oh, come, from near and far,
oh, come, salvation we'll taste
as we climb the mountain of God.

2. From each corner and end of the earth,
we'll gather together to sing of your worth,
of blind who can see and weary who rest,
good news for the poor, freedom for oppressed.

Refrain

So come, come as you are,
oh, come, from near and far,
oh, come, salvation we'll taste
as we climb the mountain of God.

3. New life awaits for all who believe;
all who love mercy, do justice, walk humbly.
With Christ as our guide united we'll be;
living the kingdom, secure in God's peace.

Refrain

So come, come as you are,
oh, come, from near and far,
oh, come, salvation we'll taste
as we climb the mountain of God.

Jesus Shall Reign VT 414

Text: based on Psalm 7; Isaac Watts (England); *Psalms of David*, 1719, alt.

Music: attr. John Hatton (England), *Psalm and Hymn Tunes*, 1793

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
does its successive journeys run.
His realm shall stretch from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.

Blessings abound where'er Christ reigns;
and pris'ners leap to loose their chains,
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are bless'd.

Let ev'ry creature rise and bring
each its peculiar praise to sing;
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud amen!

Be a Sower VT 789

Text: Camps with Meaning (Canada)

Music: Camps with Meaning, 2013; acc. Anneli Loepp Thiessen (Canada), 2020

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1. Be a sower, plant a seed,
let it grow into a tree.
Give it water, watch it grow,
and give it the love that it needs.

Refrain

Be humble and gentle
and always keep looking for peace.
God makes the sun rise on the good and the evil,
rain fall on the rocks and the weeds.
Let's be loving to one another.
Join in God's circle of peace.

2. Be a list'ner; listen close
when you find a friend in need.
Talk to Jesus; Jesus knows,

and he'll give you comfort and peace.

Refrain

Be humble and gentle
and always keep looking for peace.
God makes the sun rise on the good and the evil,
rain fall on the rocks and the weeds.
Let's be loving to one another.
Join in God's circle of peace.

2. Be a dreamer; work for peace-
turn your sword into a plow.
With our neighbours, we will seek
to make change as God shows us how.

Refrain

Be humble and gentle
and always keep looking for peace.
God makes the sun rise on the good and the evil,
rain fall on the rocks and the weeds.
Let's be loving to one another.
Join in God's circle of peace.

What Does the Lord Require HWB 409

Text: based on Micah 6:6-8, Albert Bayley, 1949, *Rejoice, O People*, 1950
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What does the Lord require for praise and offering?
What sacrifice, desire, or tribute bid you bring?
Do justly, love mercy, walk humbly with your God.

People of earth, give ear! Should you of justice know?
Will God your pleading hear, while crime and cruelty grow? Do justly,
love mercy, walk humbly with your God.

Still down the ages ring the prophet's stern commands.
To merchant, worker, king, he brings God's high demands. Do justly,
love mercy, walk humbly with your God.

How shall our life fulfill God's law so hard and high?
Let Christ endure our will with grace to fortify.
Then justly, in mercy, we'll humbly walk with God.

Sing a New World into Being VT 809

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Trinity Collection of Church Music, 1864, alt.
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Sing a new world into being.
Sound a bold and hopeful theme.
Find a tune for silent yearnings.
Lend your voice and dare to dream;
dream a church where all who worship
find their lives and loves belong.
Sing a new world into being.
Sing as Christ inspires your song!

Sing a new world into being.
Join the ancient prophet's cry
for a time of health and plenty
when all tears have been wiped dry;
when compassion flows like waters,
pouring balm for all who grieve.
Sing a new world into being:
live the promise you believe!