

This Week at MPMC

Monday	6:00 pm	Pickleball
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Pickleball
	7-8 pm	AA Meeting (Hosts: Jake and Betty)
Thursday	10:30 am	BB+
Saturday	3-7 pm	JRAM in Sanctuary
	6-9 pm	Gym Rental
Sunday	10:00 am	Worship Service
	12:00 pm	JRAM service
	1:00 pm	JRAM Christmas Meal in gym
	7:00 pm	Christmas Eve Service

Prayer

God, give us patience as we wait. Move us to courageous joy as people of your story. In Jesus' name, amen.

Today's Service

Worship Leader: Melody N
Song Leader: Vena O
Pianist: Marlies P
PowerPoint: RaeLynn H
Sound: Travis W
Video: Gord S

Welcome to Mount Royal Mennonite Church
Learning to live - through relationships with Jesus,
our neighbours and each other

Worship Service 9:45 am

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Third Sunday of Advent

Carol Singing	<i>Hark the Herald Angels sing</i>	VT #247
	<i>O how joyfully</i>	VT #254
	<i>Come thou long expected Jesus</i>	VT #218

Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Silence

GATHERING

Call to Worship

Choir

Waiting for the Light

Gathering Songs

Hark the Glad Sound

VT #217

Lo How a Rose

VT #216

Advent Reading #1

Isaiah 61

Ray P

Offertory Prayer

HEARING

Choir

As Mary Sleeps on Christmas Morning

Drama

"What's Next?"

Story for all Ages

Trevor S

Advent Candle Lighting

We Sing

We Come

VT #225

Advent Reading #2

Luke 1: 46-55

Sermon

Questions, Questions, Questions

Don F

SHARING

Hymn of Response

My soul proclaims the glory

VT #222

Peace Lamp

Sharing our joys and concerns

Sharing our prayers

SENDING

Sending song

The Lord lift you up

VT #832

Blessing

Leader: *Together we wonder.*

Congregation: *How will we know what's next?*

Leader: *Go and hold fast to what is good, rejoice always, make straight the way of the Lord!*

Postlude

Joys & Concerns

- **Present Concerns:** *Elsie K. E, Eric and Doris Q*
- **Continued Prayer Support:** *Marg W, Evelyn S, Maureen G, Anne K*
- **Families of the week:** *Kelly and Pam J, Joel and Alex S, Danielle H, Sarah and Clint P*
- Our offering last week was, \$9,130, received with joy and thanksgiving for all that God is doing here and in our community.
- Thank you to the MRMC family, the love and support received over these last few weeks have been extraordinary and appreciated! (Al R)

MRMC Notes and Events

- a) **We are looking for volunteers to help with youth events.** If you are interested, please contact Evan Bueckert.
- b) **Dec 17, today, at 4:30 pm:** Sunday School and Choir Program. Following this will be a finger food potluck.
- c) Gwen will be away from the office all Mondays until the new year.

Conference and Community Events

- 1) **Dec 19: RJC Christmas Concert at 7:00pm** Join us in celebrating the Christmas season with the RJC Christmas Concert. In the RJC Auditorium. Admission by donation. Live-stream option will be available.
- 2) **Dec 19 at 7:00 pm: Saskatoon Brass Band** will be presenting Fairy Tales in Brass at Grace Westminster United Church. Admission is by donation.
- 3) **The Youth Farm Bible Camp is inviting you to a Drive Through event this Christmas season.** Get tickets online at www.youthfarmcornmaze.com Lights, hand painted billboards, Bethlehem town, and much more. Check out when we are open online. You can also purchase tickets at the gate when you arrive. They are \$22 online or \$25 at the gate.
- 4) **MCC Connects:** Warm up for the winter and help support MCC's relief, development and peace work by participating in our quilt sale- now at 50% off! Each of these beautiful quilts

have been sewn by generous donors and you can explore the collection of quilts at this link: <http://www.mccskquiltsale.com>

- 5) **This Season of Giving, a portion of your donations are going to support our schools.** 30 donations of \$167 will cover our contribution to RJC High School for one month; 30 donations of \$139 will cover the monthly contribution to CMU. Donations to MC Sask spread your generosity locally, nationwide and globally. Donate at <https://mcsask.ca/giving>
- 6) **MCC Connects:** Looking for ways to be creative this holiday season? MCC Thrift has put together a free resource called 12 Days of Christmas Crafting. Visit this link for twelve crafts that you and your loved ones can create together: <https://mccthrift.com/christmas-crafting>
- 7) **Jan 11- March 28: Staying on your Feet:** Do you want to learn ways to help improve your balance and reduce your risk of falling? Join us on Thursdays, Jan 11-March 28 from 9:30-10:30 am. Poster with more info and sign-up sheet are on the bulletin board by Don's office.