

This Week at MPMC

Monday	6:00 pm	Pickleball
Tuesday	9:30 am	Forever in Motion
	1:30 pm	Pickleball
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Pickleball
	7-8 pm	AA Meeting (Hosts: John and Shirley)
Thursday	9:30 am	Forever in Motion
	10:30 am	Boomers+
	1:30 pm	Pickleball
	6:30 pm	Women Together via Zoom
	All Day	Youth Ski Trip to Table Mountain
Saturday	8-8 pm	Rental of Gym
	3-7 pm	JRAM in Sanctuary
Sunday	10:00 am	Worship Service with communion
	1:00 pm	JRAM service

Creation Care Prayers

Sisters and brothers, rejoice.
 We are sustained and nourished by God's presence and love. Thanks be to God.
 As we mourn the distress and wounds of God's creation, God weeps with us.
 As we face rising waters, hunger and displacement. God suffers with us.
 As we struggle for justice, God struggles with us.
 As we expose and challenge climate justice God empowers us.
 As we strive to build alternative communities, God works with us.
 As we offer our gifts to all, God blesses us.
 Sisters and brothers, rejoice, sustained by God's presence and love we worship God.

Today's Service

Worship Leader: Trevor S
 Song Leader: Sarah P
 Pianist: Pam O
 Prelude: Monica D
 Sound: Ryan S
 PowerPoint: Darrell B
 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 Acknowledgement
 Announcements
 Silence

NEW YEAR, SAME PROMISES

GATHERING

Gathering words
 Gathering prayer
 Gathering songs *Mountain of God* VT #11
Praise the Lord, Sing Hallelujah VT #95
 Tena S
 Psalm 2
 Offertory prayer

HEARING

Story for all Ages Mark H
 Child Dedication
 We Sing *Child of blessing, child of promise* VT #508
 Scripture **Matthew 17: 1-9**
 Sermon *Mountain-top Experiences* Claire E F

SHARING

Hymn of response *You, Lord are Both Lamb and Shepherd* VT #432
 Peace Lamp
 Sharing our stories
 Sharing our joys and concerns
 Sharing our prayers

SENDING

Sending song *Beyond a Dying Sun* VT #416
 Blessing

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

THANKS BE TO GOD!

Amen

Postlude

Coffee and Fellowship after the service

Joys & Concerns

- **Pray for:** *Grace and Mel B, Betty U, Roy W, Marg W, Alex and Joel S, Hedie B, Evelyn S, Maureen G, Willard and Kathy W, Agnes and Elmer R, Anne K, Erwin and Tena S, Eric and Doris Q*
- **Families of the week:** *Zach D, Hank and Marlies P, Daniel, Ashley and Anwen M*
- Our offering last week was \$2,625 received with joy and thanksgiving for all that God is doing here and in our community

MRMC Coming Events and Notes

- **Feb 28 @ 7:00 pm via Zoom:** The February Congregation meeting (formally called Budget meeting). Agenda includes 2023 MRMC budget, approval of MRMC bylaws, and an update from the Pastoral search committee.
- We're offering the blue Hymnals and the Sing the Journey and Sing the Story books to you for your personal use. Feel free to pick up copies for yourself. Remaining books will be offered to the Rosthern Nursing Home and other congregations.
- We have resumed having fellowship and coffee after the service. If you are willing to help with set up and clean up, there is a sign up sheet on the board beside Garth's office.
- **Calling all crafty people!** There are left over pieces of stained glass from making the display frames in the foyer. Please contact Ray Poettcker if you can use them.
- **Too many travel mugs?** Prairie Harm Reduction will use them! If you have excess travel mugs, drop them off at church and Rita will get them to PHR! There is a box by Gwen's office for drop off.
- The office will be closed on Monday, Feb 20, due to Family Day.

Conference and Community Events

- 1) **Thursday, February 23 – Mega Menno Ski Day at Table Mountain.** Join us for a day of winter fun on the infamous 'Sask slopes!' *Registration is required*, with group transportation provided on a first-come, first-served basis. To register, visit <https://permission.click/JLAZA/ca>, deadline is *Tuesday, February 21*. Contact Zach Dueck, zdueck@gmail.com, with any questions.
- 2) **March 11: MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions: A working copy of the report book is now available!** This is a hybrid online and in person event, and *registration is required to attend*. Details and registration are available at <https://mcsask.ca/event/8602> . Please let

Rita Hanoski know if you are available to represent and speak for our congregation.

- 3) **Saturday, March 11, 6:30pm – Mega Menno Movie Night.** Youth will join with other members of the MC Sask family to watch 'Custodians: A Story of Ancient Echoes' at Wildwood Mennonite Church. Come enjoy some popcorn, and learn more about how we can help protect Indigenous artifacts and stories. Youth will have a separate discussion and debrief following the film. Free event for all youth gr. 6-12; contact Kirsten Hamm-Epp, youthminister@mcsask.ca, or visit www.mcsask.ca to learn more.
- 4) **March 12 RJC Choirs & Cakes at 7:00pm** Join us in celebrating the legacy of music and the arts at RJC at Choirs & Cakes: A fundraising concert and cake auction. Featuring performances by RJC Alumni & Friends Choir, Prince Albert Children's Choir, RJC Singers, Bass & Treble Choirs. YOU are invited to participate in the RJC Alumni & Friends choir, directed by Duff Warkentin. Rehearsals will take place in the afternoon prior to the event at RJC. If you would like to sing in the Alumni & Friends choir, please email Alex at development@rjc.sk.ca or call 306-232-4222.
- 5) **Save the Date. Mar 17:** Shekinah is planning a rib night fundraiser "**Putting on the Ribs: St Patrick's Day Edition**". This is a fundraiser for Shekinah's much-needed water project. More information will be available at <https://shekinah.ca/events/2023/putting-on-the-ribs-saint-patrick-s-day-edition>.
- 6) **Shekinah Retreat Centre is looking for numerous full-time and part-time positions.** We need a Program Director to work with school groups and camp and a Maintenance Manager to take care of our physical facility. In addition, we are looking for spring school group programmers, maintenance workers, summer camp counsellors, and a camp kitchen coordinator. Please go to shekinah.ca/jobs for more information.
- 7) **MCC is accepting donations to support people affected by the Feb. 6 earthquake in Türkiye and Syria.** MCC is working with long-term partners in Aleppo and surrounding areas to provide emergency food, shelter, hygiene, sanitation supplies and trauma counselling. In a country already vulnerable from years of conflict, this was a devastating blow. You can share God's love and compassion with our global neighbours by providing a gift online at mcccanada.ca/earthquake, by calling 888-622-6337 or by sending a cheque earmarked for "Syria and Türkiye earthquake" to the MCCS office.