

<u>This Week at MPMC</u>		
Monday	6:00 pm	Pickleball
Tuesday	9:30 am	Forever in Motion
	1:30 pm	Pickleball
	7:00 pm	Budget Meeting via Zoom
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
Saturday	8-8 pm	Rental of Gym
	3-7 pm	JRAM in Sanctuary
Sunday	10:00 am	Worship Service
	1:00 pm	JRAM service

### Creation Care Prayers

Spirit of God, you desire to grow in us your fruit of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control.

Forgive us when our roots are so shallow, and our hearts so restless, that our lives fail to bear fruit. Enable us to find our home in you, and in the places to which you call us. Lord have mercy.

[Martyn Goss, May 2016]

### Today's Service

Worship Leader: Joel S  
 Song Leader: Verna O  
 Pianist: Marlies P  
 Sound: Ryan S  
 PowerPoint: Len A  
 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

### A Table in the Wilderness

#### Setting the Table

Call to Worship  
 Peace Lamp  
 Opening prayer  
 Gathering songs

*To God be the Glory*  
*Jesus calls us*

VT #84  
 VT #30  
 Elsie S

Psalm 107: 1-9

#### Sitting at Table

Story for all Ages  
 We Sing  
 Scripture  
 Sermon

*Jesus, tempted in the desert*  
**Matthew 4: 1-11**

Monica D  
 VT #307

Hymn of preparation *Seed scattered and sown*

Zach D  
 VT #477

#### Eating at Table

Offertory prayer  
 Sharing our stories  
 Sharing our prayers  
 LORD'S SUPPER

#### Leaving the Table

Sending song  
 Word's of blessing

*Sent forth by God's Blessing*

VT #812

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:** *Betty U, Roy W, Marg W, Alex and Joel S, Hedio B, Evelyn S, Maureen G, Willard and Kathy W, Agnes and Elmer R, Anne K, Erwin and Tena S, Eric and Doris Q, Grace and Mel B*
- **Families of the week:** *Len A, Ray and Rita H, Myrna S*
- Our offering last week was \$4,005 received with joy and thanksgiving for all that God is doing here and in our community.
- **Continue to pray for peace and wisdom in Ukraine, Russia and in places throughout our world where the people cry out for peace.** Lord, hear our prayers.

### 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.
- **April 14-15,** Wildwood Mennonite Church is hosting a Mental Health First Aid course with Lorraine Harder. The Spiritual Care Ministry Team is inviting interested persons to speak with Claire about your interest. The course is \$195.00 per person. There will be financial help available to those who take the course.
- 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.

### Conference and Community Events

- 1) **March 5:** Consider joining with others around the campfire as we explore *the 2023 theme for Forest Church - Face to Face: Encountering God in the Wilderness*. Ric Driediger will provide input this month, sharing from a wealth of experience on this topic. **3pm at Shekinah**. All are welcome!

- 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) **March 11 6:30 pm You are invited to a viewing of Custodians: a Story of Ancient Echoes Custodians: a Story of Ancient Echoes documentary at Wildwood Mennonite Church.** Indigenous peoples' ancestors left their marks on the land for millennia. Artifacts everywhere, many lost forever to agricultural and other development. Still some places remain untouched; beautiful natural settings with artifacts, all with stories to tell. Come watch the documentary about Ancient Echoes' work to protect this ancient Indigenous sacred site. Think about how you can contribute to protection of the marks of Indigenous history. There will be time to share your response following the documentary.
- 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](mailto: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](http://shekinah.ca/jobs) for more information.
- 7) **Save the date!** MCC's annual Relief Sale Festival will be held on Saturday, June 17 at Forest Grove Community Church. Stay tuned for more information and visit the website at this link: <https://www.mccskreliefsale.com/>