

<u>This Week at MRMC</u>		
Monday	1:30-4:30	Cheer Crates in Gytm
Tuesday	8 am-4pm	Cheer Crates in Gym
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Youth
	6-8 pm	AA Meeting in Gym (Host: Bryan)
Thursday	10:30 am	Boomers in Person
	6:30 pm	Women Together via Zoom
Sunday	9:30 am	Sunday Worship Service with Communion
	11:00 am	Zoom Gathering

Thought for the week

“What the Israelites saw, from high on the ridge, was an intimidating giant. In reality, the very thing that gave the giant his size was also the source of his greatest weakness. There is an important lesson in that for battles with all kinds of giants. The powerful and the strong are not always what they seem.”

— Malcolm Gladwell, David and Goliath: Underdogs, Misfits, and the Art of Battling Giants

Office Hours

Gwen	Tues-Fri	8 am-1:30 pm
Garth and Claire	Tues-Thurs	8:30 am – 3 pm
	Fri	8:30 am – 12:30 pm
Zach	Mon	10 am – 2pm
	Wed	10 am – 2 pm

Today's Service

Worship Leader: Garth E F
 Song Leader: Verna K
 Pianist: Shelley B
 Prelude: Esther C
 Powerpoint: Darrell B
 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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Prelude
 Announcements
 Silence

Gathering

Call to Worship
 Gathering Prayer
 Gathering Song *Let us build a house* VT #36
 Psalm 9: 9-20 Darrell B
 Offering

Listening

Story for all Ages Shelley B
 We Sing *You're not alone* VT #779
 Scripture 1 Samuel 17: 1a,4-11, 19-23, 32-49
 Sermon *Five Smooth Stones* Claire E F
 Hymn of Response *Move in our midst* VT #827

Sharing

Peace Lamp
 Sharing our stories
 Sharing our prayers
 Sending Song *The Lord lift you up* VT #832
 Blessing

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

Postlude

MRMC Youth/ MR Yahm

- This past Wednesday, the youth met on Gather for another Mega Menno event.
- **MR YAHM:** We are currently reading through a traditional OT/Jewish prayer called the Shema, focussing in on a few key words to give us insight not only into this prayer but many other prayers that show up in our bibles.

Joys & Concerns

- **Pray for:** *Nettie and Roy W, Anne E, Myrna W, Elmer and Agnes R, Marg W, Alex and Joel S, Hedie B, Maureen G, Elsie S, Eric and Doris Q, Betty U*
- **Families of the week:** *Dennis and Grace A, Elmer and Elvina K, Edna R*
- We are thankful for last week's offering of \$2,765, given in support of our ministry here and around the world

MRMC Coming Events and Notes

- **June 22**, the Saskatoon Public School Foundation is using our Multi Purpose room to assemble and prepare Cheer Crates for families in Saskatoon. This gives us the opportunity to volunteer to assist our community. There are three time slots where help is still needed: Monday, June 21 from 1:30-4:30 pm; Tuesday June 22 from 8-12, and Tuesday, June 22 from 12-4. Please contact Claire if you can help.
- **June 27:** We will be celebrating communion on June 27.
- If you would like to join the MRMC Golf group, please contact Ron or Heather Wiebe.
- There is an MDS project being planned in July at Westbank Bible Camp near Swift Current. If you would like more information please contact Heather Wiebe

Conference and Community Events

- a) **RJC Musical: Disney's Freaky Friday! - June 18-24.** Tickets for scheduled viewing times are on sale now at ShowTix4U.com! \$20 per viewing device.
- b) **June 20 at 2pm** - Zoom Webinar event to learn about the Refugee situation in Myanmar and Ethiopia. A speaker from the Karen and Eritrean community here in Saskatoon will be sharing. Learn more on the Saskatoon Refugee Coalition Facebook page (MCC Connects).
- c) **RJC Graduation Exercises - June 25.** Live-streamed for the public. Baccalaureate Service 10:00am (SK CST) and Graduation

Ceremony 2:00pm (SK CST). Watch events online at rjc.sk.ca/grad2021.

- d) **Save the Date: Shekinah Move-A-Thon, September 18th.** 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) Over the last several years, Yann Martel has made a house that he owns available to the MCC refugee program, to house a large family during their period of sponsorship. Three different refugee families have lived here over the past several years, but there are currently no sponsored refugee families. Pieces of furniture are stored in the garage of the Martel home. The house is now being given to a different renter and the furniture needs to be moved. So **Mark Bigland-Pritchard is looking for a place to store a large sofa, a bedframe, several mattresses, a couple of chests of drawers, and a couple of armchairs for about 15 months. Please contact Claire** if you can help either with a storage site or knowledge of a storage site.
- f) MC Sask is pleased to be able to offer students enrolled in the eligible schools or service programs scholarships. Check it out at <https://mcsask.ca/youth-ministry>
- g) **MCC Connects:** Volunteers are needed in MCC's Meadowgreen Den program. This program delivers safe after school programming three to four times a week for close to 50 Newcomer, Indigenous and Settler children and youth (ages 3-15). We are looking for volunteers to help us run various summer activities. All activities are designed to adhere to COVID-19 restrictions. Contact Amanda Dodge at saskoffice@mccsk.ca for more information.
- h) **RJC Employment Opportunity - Head Caretaker.** Full-time, permanent position. The Head Caretaker is responsible for providing a safe, clean environment in the school, dormitory and on campus; and for managing, ordering supplies and coordinating all aspects of school cleaning. View the full job description at rjc.sk.ca/about/employment-opportunities Send all resumes to the principal, Ryan Wood, at ryan@rjc.sk.ca.
- i) **Looking for work? Shekinah Retreat Centre is looking for maintenance workers and kitchen workers.** Please contact ron@shekinah.ca, call the office at 306-945-4929, or check out the news item on our website at shekinah.ca for more information. Applicants must be between the ages of 15-30. Jobs will run for 8 weeks, with maintenance work starting ASAP.

MISSION: ~~IMPOSSIBLE~~



The **MRMC Missions Ministry Team** has accepted another mission that all too often seems like a truly Impossible Mission for many of our newest members of our local community!

The Mission: Inject funds into the **Emergency Fund** at the **Global Gathering Place**. www.globalgatheringplace.com

Mission Details: Missions Ministry reached out to **Global Gathering Place** with an invitation to help where we could and we were presented with an immediate need for a Small child sized wheelchair for 6 year old Hamzi from Somalia (see attached document). This part of the mission was accomplished with the purchase of a 16" x 16" wheel chair for the GGP to loan to the family. Additionally, ongoing support to the Emergency Fund is required to help pay for internet for those that have no means, purchasing enough groceries to survive for a day or 2, purchasing bus passes etc. etc. etc.

How can you help with this Mission: By donating to the **Global Gathering Place Emergency Fund** You will help make the seemingly impossible reality of transitioning life from a community on the other side of the world to our community POSSIBLE!
Donations can be made to **MRMC** and designated to **GGP**. Receipts will be issued.

Dear Wilf and our friends at Mount Royal Mennonite Church, I wanted to extend my heartfelt thanks for the donation of the child-sized wheelchair to GGP. This chair will be used by our youngest clients while they wait through the many months it takes before they can be fitted for and receive their own chair.

Earlier today my colleague, Satanai, delivered the wheelchair to a young refugee family from Somalia. She shared with me how completely overwhelmed with appreciation and joy Mom was to receive the chair as it will mean so much to her to have extra freedom and mobility and I think it's clear that little Hamzi is as pleased as punch as well. Although he is unable to speak, the expression on his face speaks volumes.

Satanai described to me how completely different and infinitely better this new chair is than what they had been using. She told me that Mom is able to handle it easily and it means that she is now able to move Hamzi around without worrying so much that he will be slumped over and uncomfortable or worse, will slide all the way out. She celebrated the occasion by taking him outside for a walk.

It is unfortunate that our systems here in Canada, while exceptionally good in so very many ways, still leave gaps, especially when it comes to meeting the needs of some of our most vulnerable residents. Fortunately, there are passionate and caring individuals like you who are selfless in your willingness to help, and whose generosity makes a tangible impact in the lives of others. For this young family, it means the absolute world! As a single mother of three young children, including one with a significant disability, she will need to rely on the support and love of others for a good long while to come and it is clear that she wouldn't be able to cope but for the help of a caring community. With our help, she has begun building a new life here in Canada and she and her children—all her children—have a bright future here in their adoptive country.
With profound gratitude, Lori Steward



Let Us Build a House VT 36

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Let us build a house where love can dwell
and all can safely live,
a place where saints and children tell
how hearts learn to forgive.
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,
rock of faith and vault of grace;
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where prophets speak,
and words are strong and true,
where all God's children dare to seek
to dream God's reign anew.
Here the cross shall stand as witness
and as symbol of God's grace;
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where love is found
In water, wine and wheat:
A banquet hall on holy ground,
Where peace and justice meet.
Here the love of God, through Jesus,
Is revealed in time and space;
as we share in Christ the feast that frees us:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where hands will reach
beyond the wood and stone
to heal and strengthen, serve and teach,
and live the Word they've known.
Here the outcast and the stranger
bear the image of God's face;
let us bring an end to fear and danger:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

Let us build a house where all are named,

their songs and visions heard
and loved and treasured, taught and claimed
as words within the Word.
Built of tears and cries and laughter,
prayers of faith and songs of grace,
let this house proclaim from floor to rafter:
all are welcome, all are welcome, all are welcome in this place.

You're Not Alone VT 779

Text: based on 1 Corinthians 12:4-26, Bryan Moyer Suderman (Canada)

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Refrain

You're not alone, we are one body.
You're not alone, we stand with you.
You're not alone, your time of suffering
is our suffering too,
and I know the day is coming
when we will be rejoicing anew.

1. Many members in this body that we know,
Some are great and some are small:
eyes and ears and hands and just a little toe,
one God who activates them all.

Refrain

2. One body Spirit formed and Spirit fed,
different genders, rich and poor;
a banquet where the least sit at the head:
one body broken for the world.

Refrain

Move in Our Midst VT 827

Text: Kenneth I. Morse (USA), 1942, 1949, *The Brethren Hymnal*, 1951

Music: Perry L. Huffaker (USA), 1950, *The Brethren Hymnal*, 1951

Move in our midst, thou Spirit of God.
Go with us down from thy holy hill.

Walk with us through the storm and the calm.
Spirit of God, go thou with us still.

Touch thou our hands to lead us aright.
Guide us for ever, show us thy way.
Transform our darkness into thy light.
Spirit of God, lead thou us today.

Strike from our feet the fetters that bind.
Lift from our lives the weight of our wrong.
Teach us to love with heart, soul, and mind.
Spirit of God, thy love makes us strong.

Kindle our hearts to burn with thy fame.
Raise up thy banners high in this hour.
Stir us to build new worlds in thy name.
Spirit of God, O send us thy pow'r!

The Lord Lift You Up VT 832

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The Lord lift you up, the Lord take your hand,
The Lord lead you forth, and cause you to stand,
Secure in God's word, seeking God's face,
Abounding in love, abiding in grace.