This Week at MRMC

Monday 9:30-11:30 am Kids Play Date 6:00 pm Pickleball Tuesday 9:30 am Forever in Motion 1:30 pm Pickleball 6:30 pm Governing Board Meeting Wednesday 6:00 pm Pickleball 7-8 pm AA Meeting (Host: Melody) 7:30 pm Choir 9:30 am Forever in Motion Thursday 10:30 am Boomers 1:30 pm Pickleball 7:30 pm Worship Leader conversation via Zoom 7:00 pm Youth night Friday Saturday 3-7 pm JRAM in the Sanctuary 10:00 am Sunday Worship Service: Music Sunday Sunday 1-4 pm JRAM in Sanctuary

**94 Calls to Action** were prepared following the Truth and Reconciliation Commission hearings. Let's use these summary statements to inform our prayers and actions. (Complete list Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada: Calls to Action.)

## **Reconciliation-**

# **Settlement Agreement Parties and the United Nations**

48. We call upon the church parties to the Settlement Agreement, and all other faith groups and interfaith social justice groups in Canada who have not already done so, to formally adopt and comply with the principles, norms, and standards of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as a framework for reconciliation.

49. We call upon all religious denominations and faith groups who have not already done so to repudiate concepts used to justify European sovereignty over Indigenous lands and peoples, such as the Doctrine of Discovery and *terra nullius*.

**Today's Service** 

Worship Leader: Garth E F Song Leader: Rita H

Pianist: Verna O 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 10:00 am

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Prelude

Land Acknowledgement

Announcements

Silence

#### YOU ASKED FOR IT?

#### WE GATHER

Call to Worship Opening Prayer

We Sing Lord, I Lift Your Name on High VT #365

You Are Holy, You Are Whole VT #61

Psalm 40: 1-8, 16-17 Bernie W

Offering

## WE LISTEN

Hope for the Earth
Story for all Ages
Trevor S
We sing
There Is in Every Person (1,4)
VT #751

We sing There Is in Every Person (1,4)
Scripture 2 Corinthians 5: 17-6:2

Sermon Living the Questions (2) Garth and Claire

Hymn of Response I Bind My Heart VT #556

#### WE FOLLOW

Peace Lamp

Sharing our stories
Sharing our prayers

Sending Song You Shall Go Out with Joy VT #847

Sending words

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

Thanks be to God!

Postlude

### **Joys & Concerns**

- Pray for: Anne K, Eric and Doris Q, Betty U, Roy W, Marg W, Alex and Joel S, Eric and Verna O, Agatha W, Hedie B, Al and Anne P, Maureen G
- Families of the week: Mel and Grace B, Tim, Coral, Joshua, Anthony, Zachary and Kalina B, Jo-Anne N
- Our offering last Sunday was \$7,750, received with joy and thanksgiving for all that God is doing here and in our community.
- Praise God for the celebration of 30 years of ministry by Witness workers
  George and Tobia Veith at Douglas Mennonite Church in Winnipeg on April
  22. They shared stories of God's faithfulness and a vision for a global church
  that learns from each other and supports each other. For a link to the recording,
  and to learn more about China ministry contact International Witness director
  Jeanette Hanson.

# **MRMC Coming Events and Notes**

- a) **May 12:** For all worship leaders: we are planning a one-hour conversation this Thursday, May 12 at 7:30 via Zoom. Our focus will be on crafting Prayers of the People. We look forward to our interaction.
- b) **May 15** Saskatoon Chamber Singers concert, 2 pm at Knox United Church. Advance tickets (\$25) available from Shelley Bueckert. Tickets at the door \$30.
- c) May 21: Let's celebrate the abundance of life! On Saturday, May 21 starting at 2:00 p.m., join Garth and Claire as they celebrate 29 years of married life. This is also the season for Food Bank financial donations. So do come to a "come and go" affair in MRMC's parking lot. Visit (bring your own chair), eat, and donate to the Saskatoon Food Bank.
- d) **Rejoice Devotionals**: The last issue of the rejoice devotionals has been sent out. If you currently receive or would like to receive the Rejoice devotional please contact Gwen. Price is \$46.23. Deadline is **June 13**
- e) There will be a card to sign and a box to contribute to outside of Gwen's office for Daniel and Ashley's baby shower.
- f) End of Life Conversations the second in this series has been postponed until a time when COVID hospitalization numbers are reduced. Watch for further details.

## **Conference and Community Events**

- 1) May 8, today, at 2:30 pm Shekinah Service of Thanksgiving: Bring your lawn chair (tent will be up if it rains) and stay for a light faspa. We want to acknowledge the special gifts given to Shekinah from the dissolution of Waldheim Zoar and Superb churches.
- 2) MC Sask Women's Retreat at Shekinah! The May 13-14 retreat has been cancelled due to low numbers. Watch for a 1 day event in fall.
- 3) June 4 *The Climate is Changing: Now What??* A one-day Mega Menno retreat for youth gr. 6-12 at Shekinah (9:30am 4:30pm). Speakers

- Brenda and Wayne MacDonald will help youth explore what it looks like to be a people of faith in a time of changing climate(s). The day will also include plenty of outdoor fun,! \$20/person (aid available) Details at <a href="https://mcsask.ca/event/10976">https://mcsask.ca/event/10976</a>. Contact <a href="mailto:youthminister@mcsask.ca">youthminister@mcsask.ca</a> with any questions
- 4) May 14: Voices Together Worship Leaders' Workshop, 9 a.m.-noon (ET) (on Zoom) Anneli Loepp Thiessen and Katie Graber will provide background on worship resources in Voices Together, and the Voices Together Worship Leaders' ed., highlighting uses in worship as well as the styles, cultures, and eras they represent. They will discuss tools for understanding your community's worship culture in order to make intentional, theologically grounded, and spiritually inspired choices about worship practices that respond to your local contexts and dismantle oppression in your communities. No cost required. For more information, and to register, go to <a href="www.bentonchurch.org/voices-together-worship-workshop">www.bentonchurch.org/voices-together-worship-workshop</a>.
- 5) May 16: RJC Spring Concert, 7:00pm- Join us as we celebrate the spring season, featuring performances by RJC Singers, RJC Concert Choir, RJC Jazz Band, RJC Dance Class. Admission by donation.
- 6) June 11: We are looking for volunteers to help us with our annual MCC Relief Sale on Saturday. Areas of volunteering include set up on June 10, take down, preparing food, packaging food, handing out food and beverages, etc., and will be assigned in two to three hour time blocks. Please contact Lois Mierau at <a href="mailto:lgmierau@gmail.com">lgmierau@gmail.com</a> or 306-250-8403 for more information or if you are interested in volunteering.
- 7) July 29 to August 1, our nationwide church will be meeting in Edmonton, Alberta, for We Declare Gathering 2022. MC Sask is seeking a diverse array of delegates to represent MC Sask at this gathering. Our regional church is entitled to 14 delegates, including both MC Sask Council members and general delegates. If you would like more information on being a delegate or to nominate yourself or someone else to be part of this group, please contact Interim Executive Minister Josh Wallace at <a href="mailto:churchengagement@mcsask.ca">churchengagement@mcsask.ca</a>. MC Sask is also seeking two young people, age 17-21, to participate in a guided Young Leaders Experience of the Gathering. If you'd like more information, please get in touch with Josh.
- 8) MCC Connects: The Meadowgreen Kids Club is looking for volunteers to help lead weekly activities and most importantly, build relationships and interact with the youth. Activities include games, crafts, special events (movies, carnivals, etc.), and field trips. Contact April at <a href="mailto:aprildonauer@mccsk.ca">aprildonauer@mccsk.ca</a> or at 306-665-2555.