

April 9 - April 30, 2019

WMC Announcements

The Fabric of Jesus' Life // Maundy Thursday Service // Apr 18, 7 p.m. at WMC // All are invited to this service which includes communion.

Good Friday Tenebrae service // Apr 19, 8 p.m. at WMC // Join us for a contemplative, tactile experience of Jesus' journey to the cross.

Easter Sunrise Gathering // Apr 21, 6 a.m. // U of S Sculpture Garden // The University of Saskatchewan sculpture garden is located beside the Diefenbaker Centre and behind the College of Education building on the University Campus (Diefenbaker Crescent).

Good Questions? // Tuesdays, 7 p.m. at WMC
Explore our shared understanding of faith, as well as our differences of opinion, in a casual group conversation format:

Apr 9 - "What's the Point of Baptism and Communion?"

Apr 23 - "How Are We Doing? Peace, Justice and Reconciliation"

Come to the whole series or just the one(s) that interest you. All are welcome; newcomers to WMC are especially invited! Will there be snacks? (Another Good Question!)

Seniors' Event // Thursday, Apr 11, 12 p.m. @ WMC // Pizza lunch followed by a travelogue on Ireland and Switzerland/Germany. All seniors welcome!

Wildwood Women Talking // Wednesday, Apr 17, 7:30 p.m. // Please come for a discussion of Miriam Toews' novel *Women Talking*. You might also want to check out the articles by Will Braun (not a woman talking) in the Oct 8, Oct 22, Nov 5, and Nov 26 issues of the Canadian Mennonite.

Men's Group // Thursday, Apr 18, 7 p.m. // Winston's English Pub & Grill (Library) in the Hotel Senator downtown. We will plan to meet the 3rd Thursday each month. Future dates: May 16, Jun 20.

Billets Needed // Tuesday Apr 30 // Nutana Park Mennonite Church is hosting a joint concert of the Saskatoon Chamber Choir and the CMU Singers. WMC has been asked to provide billets for 10 students.

Requirements:

- Pick students up at NPMC following the concert on Tuesday evening (9 ish)
- Provide bed and breakfast, and a bag lunch for the next day
- Bring students back to NPMC by 7:45 a.m. the next morning (Wednesday, May 1)

If you are able to host one or more students please contact the WMC hosting committee.

WMC Retreat // May 10-12 // Shekinah Retreat Centre

Regional Church Announcements

Dear MC Sask – thank you!!! At the 2019 ADS, you were challenged to match \$3,000 of pledged donations for our scholarship fund, so that this year we could give away multiple, meaningful scholarships to our youth and young adults. You not only met that challenge, you exceeded it, and we are extremely grateful to share that the ADS offering totalled \$6,000, for a grand total of **\$9,000** for this year's scholarships! This is an incredible gift – thank you! Scholarship applications will be accepted later in spring, donations to the scholarship fund welcome through the month of May. Through your generosity we are confident we will be able to make significant contributions to support continued education and involvement in the church, at home and abroad. **Thank you.**

Regional Church Announcements cont'd

From Billy to Brahms - Love Songs for Spring // Friday, Apr 12, 7:30 p.m. // Station Arts Centre Rosthern and Sunday, Apr 14, 2:30 p.m. (we do not have a venue yet) // Tickets can be purchased at the Station Arts or from choir members.

We're building two more cabins!! If you would like to be a part of raising Cabins #3 & #4 at Shekinah Retreat Centre, please consider coming out on Apr 22-27 (9 a.m. - 5 p.m.). Lunch and snacks will be provided. All skilled and non-skilled laborers are invited. Please call the Shekinah office at 306.945.4929 for more information and to register.

Mega Menno Honouring the Earth // Apr 24-25 Youth all-nighter event starting at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Apr 24 at Shekinah Retreat Centre, then moving to a church for fun and games, worship, and all-night shenanigans – sleep optional! Ending with breakfast at 9:30 a.m. Open to youth in gr. 6-12, mark it on your calendar! More details coming soon (youthminister@mcsask.ca for more).

CMU Singers On Tour // Tuesday, Apr 30, 7:30 p.m.// Nutana Park Mennonite Church // Join us for an evening of choral music with the Saskatoon Chamber Singers, James Hawn, Director. Dr. Janet Brenneman, Conductor, with Dr. Cheryl Pauls, President. Admission is Free—an offering in support of the choirs will be taken.

SMYO Youth Retreat Update // May 24-26 // Elim. Due to the cancellation of the Sr. High Retreat, the Jr. High Retreat is being opened up to **all youth in grade 6-12!** Starting with a road trip down to Camp Elim (we'll carpool/caravan together), the weekend will be filled with worship, games, and one of the highlights at Elim – time on the lake! Registration details coming soon (youthminister@mcsask.ca for more).

RJC Golf Tournament // Saturday, May 25 // Valley Regional Park, Rosthern)

Voices Together Worship Workshop // Saturday Jun 15, 1:30-4:30 p.m. // Mount Royal Mennonite Church. Join us for an afternoon introducing materials and resources from the new *Voices Together* hymnal project, and exploring the many facets of worship and how it shapes us into the people of God. Cost is \$25. Registration and details can be found at <https://mcsask.ca/mc-sask-events/>

RJC Musical, Alumni Reunions & Graduation Weekend // June 21-23

Shekinah Music Camp: Shekinah Music Camp is more than a music lesson, it is inspiring campers to build music into their everyday life. The camp runs from Aug 19-23 and is for campers age 12-17. Shekinah's goal is to give campers an experience that incorporates music, nature, and spirituality. Campers will learn how to sing in groups, play acoustic guitar, and practice their rhythm on percussive instruments. For more info and to register visit shekinahretreatcentre.org or email craig@shekinahretreatcentre.org.

Shake: Rattled by the Radical // Jul 28- Aug 1 // Shekinah Summer Camp // Sponsor discounts and travel subsidies available until **April 26, 2019**. Join us for a week of worship, games, workshops, and more! Some of our favourite things about Shekinah – the climbing wall, zip line, river valley trails, and no cell service! Visit www.prairieyouth.ca for full details and registration.

Gathering 2019: Igniting the Imagination of the Church // Jun 28- Jul 1 // Abbotsford, BC

Leaders Assembly // Friday Jun 28

Business / Delegate Meeting // Saturday Jun 29

Inspirational Conference // Saturday evening Jun 29 - Monday noon Jul 1


Special events for youth and children

Go to <http://ignitegathering2019.ca/> for full details.

#passbillC262 now! The Indigenous Rights Act is stuck in the Senate. It will harmonize Canada's laws with the Un Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, "the framework for reconciliation" (TRC). Please email Opposition Whip, Senator Donn Plett, and ask him to support Bill C-262 and the basic rights of Indigenous Peoples— don.plett@sen.parl.gc.ca.

NAITS Symposium 2019 on "Land and Place" // Jun 6-8 // Tyndale Seminary, Toronto // MC Canada's Indigenous-Settler Relations program wants to sponsor six friends from across the nationwide church to attend. If you are interested, email Steve Heinrichs (sheinrichs@mennonitechurch.ca).

Regional Church Announcements cont'd



Mennonite Disaster Service Canada (MDS) has two exciting opportunities to repair or build new homes after disasters in Canada.

Westport, Newfoundland: MDS is building a house for a family of 5 who lost their home in a house fire in Westport, Nfld. The project begins on Jun 2 and will run till Jul 27. Weekly volunteers are invited to serve in up to two week blocks. If serving for two weeks MDS will reimburse the cost of travel. For scheduling call Lucille Toews at 866-261-1274 or email ltoews@mds.mennonite.net.

Grand Forks, BC: On May 10, 2018 a major flood hit Grand Forks, BC with much of the town engulfed in water. Beginning May 5 MDS will repair houses and possibly build new houses for those that flooded. MDS is scheduling weekly volunteers to serve for 1-3 weeks. Schedule your week(s) [online](#) or call 800-241-8111.

CMU Connects: The **CMU Spring Scholarship Contest** is open to all high school and post-secondary students who are new to CMU. Three winners will be randomly selected. Winners may select from three prize options. The contest closes **May 15**. See cmu.ca/scholarshipcontest.

MC Canada News: [Click here](#) for news and information from Mennonite Church Canada.

[Click here](#) for upcoming programs at Queen's House.

MCC Connects:

On Mar 15, Cyclone Idai destroyed 90 per cent of Beira, one of Mozambique's largest cities, and affected nearly 3 million people in its path with widespread flooding up to six metres high. Bridges, roads, fields, farms and millions of homes were violently washed away. It was one of the worst tropical cyclones ever to hit the southern hemisphere. MCC invites you to provide relief to people in Malawi and Mozambique who have been affected by Cylone Idai and subsequent flooding. Donate online at mccsk.ca or call (306) 665-2555

April 7-13 is National Volunteer Week. The staff and board of MCC Saskatchewan would like to thank our churches and volunteers for continuing to support the work of MCC. To the many people who volunteer in our Thrift shops and at our Relief Sale, support our local programs and help provide material aid – we thank you! If you are interested in learning more about MCC volunteer opportunities, contact our office at (306) 665-2555.