



**Zion
Mennonite
Church**

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Sunday In-person Worship at 10 AM

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Pianist – Carla P.

**Worship Leader – Zach Stefaniuk
Song Leader – Elaine D.**

Thanksgiving Sunday

Prelude

Gathering Song HWB #12 *Come, let us all unite to sing*

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

People: Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

Where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master,

**grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled
as to console,**

to be understood as to understand,

to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

Prayer

Songs of Praise HWB #94 *Come, ye thankful people*

HWB #89 *For the beauty of the earth*

Blessing & Receiving of Offering – offertory Marion & Rachel

Song VT #125 *Shout to the Lord*

Announcements, Opportunities, Sharing

Prayer

Scripture Psalm 136:1-9,23-26; 1 John 4:7-12 **Linda T.**

Sermon *For God So Loves the World*

Marion D.

Song of Response SJ #44 *The love of God*

Benediction

Sending Song VT #840 *God Be With You Till We Meet Again*

Postlude

Today is Thanksgiving Sunday - Noon potluck

Radio broadcast 11 am

Next Sunday is International Witness Sunday

We celebrate the worldwide mission of the Mennonite Church, with the theme “Knitted Together in Christ”.

As part of the service, we ask that you **bring patchwork quilts** to be put on display.

Pray for:

- our shut-ins and those with ongoing health concerns and their caregivers
- those grieving the loss of loved ones
- our Leadership Team / Executive
- Swift Current Ministerial: Church of the Open Bible
- Mennonite Church Sask: Herschel Ebenfeld Church, pastors Margaret Ewen Peters & Gary Peters
- Ukraine / Russia
- food insecurities and food distribution around the world

Fill the “Be Thankful” crate in the foyer to overflowing with donations for Mental Health. Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) relies on donations and support from the community as it is not a government agency, providing programs, food and meals for people with mental health difficulties. They serve breakfast weekdays from 9 to 10 am, and lunch at noon. Also food and snacks are sent home to help the clients.

Thank you to Brenda for the fall decorations in the sanctuary and entrances, and to Jewel for changing the decorations in the basement every season.

On September 24 Lois & Tromhan **transferred their membership** to Emmanuel Mennonite Church in Winkler.

Financial update: September donations \$13,000.

Called to Be a Worship Leader workshop, October 19 &

20 When you are asked to worship lead, what are you called to do? How do we decide who plans worship, and how do we do that? What are the joys of this role, and why is it so essential to Christian formation? This interactive seminar will explore these questions and leave you with practical tips and resources. Details and registration at <https://mcsask.ca/event/11422>. Held in Saskatoon. The Church will pay the registration fee of \$50 for those who attend.

**Bd of Education / Education and Outreach Team
Information**

Magazines - The church receives several different magazines which are now **in the cloak room** for you to check out and read.

MCC School Kits - For the month of October, **coins** will be collected for School Kits. See the poster on the back wall as well as a school bag into which you can place your coins. Thank you for your gifts.

The **Young Adults** connected to Zion are working and studying. See the following list of what they are doing.

Where are the Young Adults connected to Zion Fall 2023?

Raelle S. - full time job at St. Paul's Hospital in Saskatoon - Instrumentation Department. She also works 2 other part time jobs.

Braydon Z. - full time at the Courthouse in Swift Current - Building Maintenance.

Hannah D. - completed Masters of Applied Nutrition. Studying for the National exam in November.

Naomi D. - MCC SALT 1 year term in Kenya Africa

Shelby Z. - finishing her Recreational Therapy course and working at the Meadows Swift Current as the Recreation Coordinator.

Joel R. - working at Pumpjack Equipment Services in Swift Current.