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9:00 am to 12:00 noon

Sunday In-person Worship at 10:30 AM

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Pianist – Grace F.

Worship Leader – Joy J. Song Leader – Elaine D.

Prelude

Gathering Song HWB #1 What is this place

Welcome

Call to Worship "Hope That Moves and Grows"

Leader: In a world that groans with injustice, we gather, holding hope like seeds in our hands.

People: Hope is not passive – it walks, it works, it weeps. We come ready to move with the Spirit of God.

Leader: God's Spirit moves through cracked soil and weary hearts, calling us to tend gardens of peace, justice, and compassion.

People: Hope is holy resistance – rooted in love and reaching toward change. In every act of kindness, every cry for justice, hope takes form.

All: Come, let us worship the God who plants hope within us and calls us to embody it in the world.

Prayer

Praise Songs VT #111 10,000 Reasons

HWB #115 Jesus, thou mighty Lord

Blessing of the Offering

Announcements, Opportunities, Sharing

Praver (HWB #731)

Song HWB #5 There is a place of quiet rest

Scripture Reading Psalm 30

Shirley E.

Sermon Reasons to Worship God Donovan E. Response Song HWB #86 Now thank we all our God

Benediction "Go in Hope That Moves and Grows"

Leader: Go now into the world, carrying seeds of hope in your hands and in your heart.

People: We go, trusting that even small acts of love can grow great change.

Leader: Walk with courage, rooted in the Spirit who stirs new life in the soil of justice, mercy, and peace.

People: We go as people of hope – not waiting for the world to change, but moving with God to help transform it.

All: May the God of persistent love go with us, planting hope through all we do and all we are.

Amen.

Sending Song VT #568 *Christ Has No Body Here but Ours* **Postlude**

Friday 2 pm Ladies' coffee time at Dairy Queen

Pray for:

- our shut-ins and those with ongoing health concerns and their caregivers
- those grieving the loss of loved ones and those struggling with transition of some kind
- those with sudden health issues
- our Leadership Team / Executive
- Swift Current Ministerial Chaplaincy
- Mennonite Church Sask Praying for each other Zion Mennonite: We are grateful to God for bringing this wonderful congregation together. We are a diverse and unique congregation who have a deep capacity for love. We pray that this love may be known to our community. We also pray that in this time of harvest, farmers may have a safe and successful season.
- Ukraine / Russia
- a just peace in the Middle East
- MCC at work around the world in the name of Christ

Church Directory revision September 2025. New people will be added, changes can be made. Please check your entry for changes and additions (such as cellphone number) and talk to Grace in the Church Office.

Possible **Xplore Class and Sunday School** for 6 weeks starting **October 5.** Please let Elaine or the office know if you would be interested in studying the **book of Ruth with April Yamasaki**, a familiar author and speaker some of you have heard about. The format would be the same as when we studied Luke; option to be part of the zoom class Thursdays and then followed by a Sunday School discussion class.

Fred and Margaret invite Zion Mennonite Church to our 70th wedding anniversary and Margaret's 90th birthday on Saturday,

September 27th at the Wymark skating rink, from 3:00 to 5:00 PM. Lunch will be served. The rink is unheated. Instead of greeting cards, or gifts, there will be glass jars to donate to MCC as an alternative, as desired. In the 1920's our parents were saved from death by starvation by shipments of food sent by MCC. We want to honour my Grandfather who died of starvation in September, 1935.

RJC Tournament of Memories: Alumni & Friends

Volleyball & Soccer | October 3 & 4 - Join us for a weekend of connecting with friends through sport. Register a volleyball team or as an individual (\$25/player). Soccer will only take place October 4 (\$10/player) at 9:00 am, pre-registration is not required for soccer. On Saturday, lunch will be available in the RJC dining hall for \$15/person (10 & under free). To register or for more info, visit rjc.sk.ca/tom. We look forward to a fun-filled weekend of friendly competition, community, and connection!

The MCC Saskatchewan Annual General Meeting is on Wednesday, Sep 24 at 6:30-9 pm. This meeting will be hosted over Zoom to accommodate participation from across the province. You may register for the AGM, as a guest or church delegate, by calling the MCC office at 306-665-2555 or by email to saskoffice@mccsk.ca. We will celebrate the past year of MCC ministry in SK and hear stories from Janet Plenert about the breadth of Anabaptism across the world after 500 years and how MCC and Mennonite World Conference are able to witness together to God's love for all.