



Mennonite Church Saskatchewan 2025 Annual Report

Mennonite Church Saskatchewan (MC Sask) is a family of 20 congregations, united in our commitment to being Christ-centered and sent into the world. Together, we prayerfully support one another, collaborating in ministry with Mennonite Church Canada and Mennonite World Conference, trusting that God's healing and hope flow through us to all the world.

Our Annual Delegate Session was held in March at RJC High School and was jointly hosted by RJC and Rosthern Mennonite Church. The theme "Differences for the Common Good" focused on how we build up the church and God's kingdom together even when we have differences. Our guest speaker was Fanosie Legesse, MCEC Intercultural Minister. We were challenged and inspired as he spoke from his experience and passion for the church and God's people.

"Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." – 1 Cor. 12:4-7

The year 2025 marked the 500th anniversary of Anabaptism and we commemorated this in several ways throughout the year including an afternoon included music and storytelling in Rosthern sponsored by MC Sask and the Mennonite Historical Society of Saskatchewan.

Youth: The youth, under the leadership of Evan Bueckert, had many opportunities to get together over the year but a highlight was their trip to Waterloo, Ontario for the MC Canada Gathering 2025! MC Sask was well represented by the 24 youth and sponsors who attended. We are grateful for all of Evan's work in the planning of this trip and in his role as Interim Youth Minister. He ended his time in this role at the end of July.

Transitions: Looking back at 2025, we reflect on the transitions within our congregations. We thank God for all who have served and those who are called to new ministries, using their various gifts for God's kingdom through MC Sask.

Two pastors retired during the year: Paul Matheson (First) and Patty Friesen (Osler). We had 3 installation services: Calvary deJong (First), Don Froese (Nutana Park), and Brad Schroeder (Osler). Also, Peter Lippmann (Wildwood) was licensed for specific ministry and Lisa Martens Bartel (North Star) was ordained.

Throughout the year, we have been witnesses to God's work among us. We are thankful to be participants in this kingdom work. We also look forward to where God is inviting us in the new year. May we all continue to seek God's guidance and the leading of God's spirit as we live out our mission that God's healing and hope may flow through us to the world.

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