



Osler Mennonite Church

*A Welcoming Community for Peace
Following Jesus on the Path of Reconciliation*

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

June 2, 2024

Prelude

Welcome/Land Acknowledgement/Announcements

Call to Worship: Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (*International Children's Bible*)

L: Dear God, you have examined me. You know all about me. You know when I sit down and when I get up. You know my thoughts before I think them. You know where I go and where I lie down. You know well everything I do.

C: Even before I say a word, you already know what I am going to say.

You are all around me—in front and in back, above and below.

You have put your hand on me to comfort me. Your knowledge is amazing to me. It is more than I can understand.

L: You made my whole being. You formed me in my mother's body.

I praise you because you made me in an amazing and wonderful way.

What you have done is wonderful. I know this very well. You saw my bones being formed as I took shape in my mother's body. When I was put together there, you saw my body as it was formed. All the days planned for me were written in your book before I was one day old.

C: God, your thoughts are precious to me. They are so many!

If I could count them, they would be more than all the grains of sand. When I wake up, I am still with you.

Prayer of Invocation

Hymns of Praise: VT #103 Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

VT #625 Far Above the Noise of Life

Old Testament Reading: : I Samuel 3:1-10.

The boy Samuel served the Lord under Eli. In those days the Lord did not speak directly to people very often. There were very few visions.

Eli's eyes were so weak he was almost blind. One night he was lying in bed. Samuel was also in bed in the Lord's Holy Tent. The Ark of the Covenant was in the Holy Tent. God's lamp was still burning. Then the Lord called Samuel. Samuel answered, "I am here!" He ran to Eli and said, "I am here. You called me." But Eli said, "I didn't call you. Go back to bed." So Samuel went back to bed. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel again went to Eli and said, "I am here. You called me."

Again Eli said, "I didn't call you. Go back to bed." Samuel did not yet know the Lord. The Lord had not spoken directly to him yet. The Lord called Samuel for the third time. Samuel got up and went to Eli. He said, "I am here. You called me." Then Eli realized the Lord was calling the boy. So he told Samuel, "Go to bed. If he calls you again, say, 'Speak, Lord. I am your servant, and I am listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in bed. The Lord came and stood there. He called as he had before. He said, "Samuel, Samuel!" Samuel said, "Speak, Lord. I am your servant, and I am listening."

Children's Gathering Song: Pass it On
Story for All Ages: Marlene

Offering Prayer/Music for Meditation

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

Prayers – Harold and Lynn's daughter in law, Erin, (Trevor's wife) was recently diagnosed with a brain tumor. She underwent surgery on May 16.

Thanksgiving – Benjamin Penner's convocation from Polytech with a Certificate in the Support Worker Program
-Doug & Adeline's 50th Anniversary

Hymn: VT #551 Beautiful Things

Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:7-12.

We have this treasure from God. But we are only like clay jars that hold the treasure. This shows that this great power is from God, not from us. We have troubles all around us, but we are not defeated. We do not know what to do, but we do not give up. We are persecuted, but God

does not leave us. We are hurt sometimes, but we are not destroyed. We carry the death of Jesus in our own bodies, so that the life of Jesus can also be seen in our bodies. We are alive, but for Jesus we are always in danger of death. This is so that the life of Jesus can be seen in our bodies that die. So death is working in us, but life is working in you

Scripture Response:

Leader: For the word of God in Scripture,
For the word of God among us,
For the word of God within us.

People: Thanks be to God.

Hymn: VT #588 We Walk by Faith

Sermon: Beethoven's Ode to Joy

Hymn: VT #809 Sing a New World into Being

Benediction: Whatever form we are, whatever our abilities, whatever our resources, it is not about how much we do, but how much love we put into the doing; a lifelong sharing of love with others. Go in the love and peace of Christ. Amen.

*Offerings can be done via e-transfer to osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com

*Our Services are all Streamed and Archived on-line.

TODAY'S WORSHIP June 2 *Beethoven's Ode to Joy*

Speaker: Patty Friesen Worship Leader: Henry Funk

Song Leaders: Loretta, Anna Accompanist: Lynette

Story: Marlene Sound: Doug Ushers: Lloyd/Harold

Sunday School Leader: Kathryn Helpers: Olivia, Zoe

Offering Counter Team: Susan Braun, John Reddekopp

Office Hours: 8:30 am – 12:30 pm Wednesday and Friday

Walking Club: Fridays 9:00 am starting from church – all are welcome

Coffee at the office on Friday @ 10:00 am

Patty's Week:

Luke's Week:

Birthdays: 2 – Helena Peters (89), 2 – Becca Bushman, 4 - Wilf Buhler, 6 – Joe Guenther, 7 – Pete Sawatzky (92), 8 – Ben Buhler, 8 – George Janzen, 8 – Russ Friesen

Gathering Room Coffee Schedule: June 2 – Louise

The Yard Maintenance Schedule:

Week of June 3 to June 8 – Torben & Sandra and John Gascho

Week of June 10 to June 15 – George Janzen and family

Please sign the Grad Hymnal for Braden Martens-Funk on lobby table before June 9 Outdoor Service/Church Picnic.

When dropping off cans at Sarcan please donate to code “omcgreen” for the Youth Green Fund.

John Gascho still has various cards available for purchase at \$3.00 each – just ask him. The proceeds will be to assist a local student attending RJC this coming fall.

Thanks for the \$161.00 in last Sunday’s Loose Change project.

OMC Summer Backyard Book Club:

Weds. June 12, 7:00 p.m. on Lyle & Linda’s deck – Bethany Townhouse #6 (*deck is accessible*) with Pull of the Stars by Emma Donoghue.

Books available on lobby table. Questions and book-sign out on lobby table. We will deliver books for OMC on-liners. We’d love to have you with us.

June 2: Forest church @ Shekinah 3pm. How does the creativity of God continue to inspire us? Join the conversation with others during our time of outdoor worship. All are welcome.

Mon. June 10, 1 p.m. on-line Cynthia Wallace Book Launch “The After Lives of Simone Weil: Feminism, Justice and the Challenge of Religion” <https://www.facebook.com/events/389849710681137/>

MCC Relief Sale Committee is looking for folks to make Rhubarb sauce prior to the Sale Day. Talk to Kaytee.

MCC Connects: Looking for ways to support this year’s Relief Sale Festival on Saturday, June 15? MCC is seeking donations for a “Ten Thousand Villages Revisited” table, baked goods, and plants. In addition, we are also in need of volunteers for a variety of tasks and are accepting donations of homemade crafts and goods for a craft table. For more information, please call the MCC office at 306-665-2555 or visit www.mccskreliefsale.com .Thank you for your support!

Employment opportunity: Canadian Mennonite is hiring a full-time associate editor/senior writer. The work can be done remotely. Apply by June 10. See canadianmennonite.org/employment.

MC Updates:

May 31 is the last day for Gary Peters in his role as Interim Executive Minister of MC Sask. We thank Gary for his leadership and ministry for the past 14 months.

On June 1 Len Rempel will assume the role of MC Sask Executive Minister. Please pray for Gary and Len during this time of transition. (new)

Meet Shenyce Buhler, who will be representing MC Sask at the Mennonite World Conference Global Youth Summit (GYS) 2025 in Germany. Shenyce (Nutana Park MC) has been completing her bachelor's degree in English Literature and a certificate in Peace Studies. "For me, being part of the Anabaptist community is looking at every person and saying that they belong to a larger family that will be warm and welcoming, no matter who they are."

The GYS is an opportunity for young people ages 18-30 from MWC churches around the world to come together, join in discussions, build connections, pray together, worship and have fun, and will happen in conjunction with celebrations of the 500th anniversary of Anabaptism. MC Sask and MC Canada are committed to helping cover Shenyce's costs; to donate please visit <https://mcsask.ca/giving> and designate GYS on your donation.

RJC is hiring a Girls' Dormitory Dean for 2024/25! RJC dormitory deans provide support, supervision and mentorship to students who live in our dormitories, and provide leadership to our campus and community programming. To apply, or for more information and a full job description, visit rjc.sk.ca, or contact the president, Ryan Wood, at ryan@rjc.sk.ca.

RJC Musical Les Misérables | 7:00pm June 20, 21 & 22 Tickets are now on sale for RJC's rendition of Les Misérables! The same show you know and love, set in the modern-day. The show runs Thursday, Friday and Saturday in the RJC Auditorium, 410 6th Ave, Rosthern, SK. Adults - \$24, 17 & under - \$15. Tickets are available at rjc.sk.ca/musical.

Please contact the school (306) 232-4222 to request wheelchair/accessible seating. Get your tickets today!

RJC Red Carpet Open House | June 20 - Students in grades 6-11 are invited to a prospective student event prior to the opening night performance of RJC's musical "Les Misérables". MC Sask youth are invited to games at 4:30pm on the RJC campus, followed by supper in the RJC dining hall at 5:30pm, campus tour at 6:00pm and the musical performance at 7:00pm. Youth can register at rjc.sk.ca, with their youth sponsors/pastors or contact Alex Tiessen at admissions@rjc.sk.ca.

RJC Alumni & Friends BBQ | 5:30pm, June 22 - RJC alumni & friends are invited to our annual BBQ, prior to the final performance of RJC's musical "Les Misérables" on June 22. \$15 per person for the meal (10 & under - free). RSVP to office@rjc.sk.ca or call (306) 232-4222.

RJC Graduation | June 23 - Please join us as we celebrate the class of 2024! Baccalaureate Service at 10:30am held at Rosthern Mennonite Church (3016 5th St, Rosthern). Graduation Exercises at 2:30pm in the RJC Auditorium (410 6th Ave, Rosthern) All are welcome to attend!

Tuesday, June 4 - 5:00-6:30 - Spring Fund Raiser at the Youth Farm Bible Camp. Menu is BBQ Pulled Pork, Salads, and Dessert. Admission is by Donation. Our Petting Zoo, Tabernacle of Moses and Jumping Pillow will be open from 4:00-5:30 for the Dinner Guests to enjoy.

Shekinah Summer Camp already has great volunteers to cook for 4 weeks of camp. We are now looking for volunteer cooks for the weeks of July 28 to August 2 and August 18 - 23. There is a weekly convener who will organize the work of the volunteer cooks. If you can help out for a day or two, please contact Audrey Kampen (audrey@shekinahretreatcentre.org)

Do you want to be part of the important work that MCC leads in making a difference in communities worldwide? There are opportunities for volunteers to be involved in MCC Sask's Relief Sale Festival on Saturday, June 15 at Forest Grove Community Church. Check out the opportunities and sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B49A9AD2DA1FDC61-48396552-relief>.

Climate Pollinator #41 comes from an interview with Will Braun, “Back to More with Less”.

<https://carrot-sawfish-ws36.squarespace.com/climate-pollinator-series/nx954pnrtscst5-a58gm-hgr8?rq=more%20with%20less>

Join our nationwide community of faith for Mennonite Church Canada's Annual General Meeting (Zoom only) on Saturday, June 22, 12:00-1:30 p.m. (Central). Along with our business agenda, we will hear updates from our program directors, enjoy worship and reflect together as Joint Council members share what God has showed them over the past year. All are welcome. Agenda, information packet, audited financial statements, and registration portal coming soon.

You are invited to deepen the relationship between the Colombian Mennonite Church and Mennonite Church Canada by visiting Colombia in February 2025 (<https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/article/44830>). If you are interested in being part of a small delegation for this visit, contact MC Sask mcsask@mcsask.ca or Jeanette Hanson jhanson@mennonitechurch.ca for more information. (new)

SEED Colombia is currently seeking applicants for the upcoming SEED cohort beginning August, 2024. MCC Colombia, through the SEED program, seeks to strengthen relationships and peacebuilding efforts of institutions, churches, and local communities. In conjunction with the group of participants, an analysis of the context of social and armed conflict will be made, to serve in a practical way with the processes of churches and local organizations. At the same time, there is a duty of understanding the role we should play in the transformation of societies as people of faith and the various theological frameworks that shape the work of the church in its local context. For more information on the Seed program in Colombia, please visit the Seed blog at <https://seedcolombia.wordpress.com/> or go to <https://mcc.org/get-involved/volunteer/seed>

OMC Super Summer - (it's Pastor Patty's last and she wants to party!) Sun. June 9, 10:00 am Outdoor Service led by youth and picnic provided by deacons - bring lawn chairs. SS teacher and grad recognition *plus a celebration for Harry & Eva's 60th Anniversary*

Weds. June 12, 7:00 Backyard Book club - Linda and Lyle's deck at
Bethany (Unit #6) Pull of the Stars - books on lobby table)
Sat. June 15, MCC Sale - Forest Grove Church
Weds. June 19, 7:00 Summer Singalong Bethany Courtyard
Sat. June 22, Mennos at Pride Parade, 12:00 University Bridge
Sun. June 23, 1:30 Katherine and Dakota's shower @ Kathy and Dick's
yard *There will be a cash basket for future household purchases*
Mon. July 1, 11:00 Osler Parade, OMC Ice Cream & Water
- talk to Kaytee about volunteering

CALENDAR

Sun. June 2 10:00 am Patty Friesen speaking *Beethoven's Ode*
Sun. June 9 10:00 am Church Picnic group M-Z help deacons
-also celebrating Harry & Eva Martens' 60th Wedding Ann.
Mon. June 10 6:30 pm Executive mtg
Weds. June 12 7:00 pm Book Club at Stucky's Bethany Townhouse #6
Thurs. June 13 4:30 pm Worship meeting @ Michelle's
Sat. June 15 11:00 am to 3 pm MCC Relief Sale
Sun. June 16 10:00 am Patty Friesen speaking
Sun. June 23 10:00 am Patty Friesen speaking
RJC High School Graduation program
Sun. June 30 10:00 am Terry Stefaniuk speaking

NEXT SUNDAY June 9 *Outdoor Service*
Luke Bushman and Youth in charge of Service
Song Leaders: Ben, Kathryn, Dayna
Story: Luke Sound: Matthew Ushers: Bill/Anna
Offering Counter Team: Susan Braun, Stephanie Siemens

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