Osler Mennonite Church

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

September 5, 2021

"For You Were Once Refugees"
Deuteronomy 10:19

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship

Prayer of Invocation

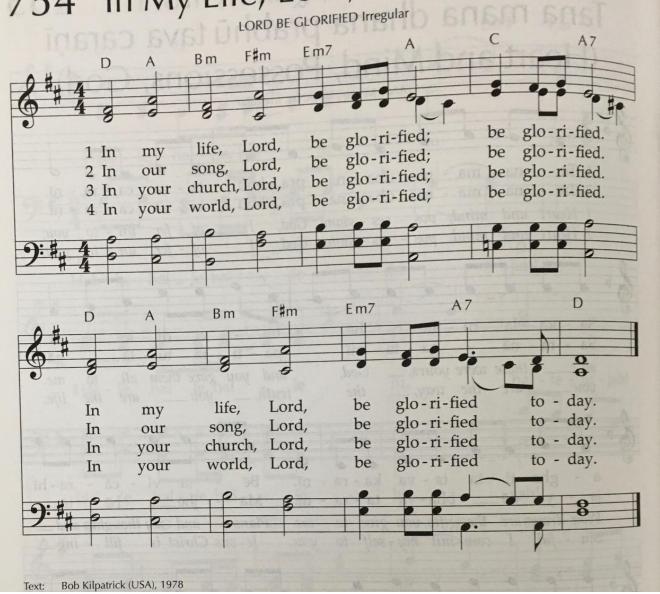
Gathering Hymns: VT #754 "In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified"

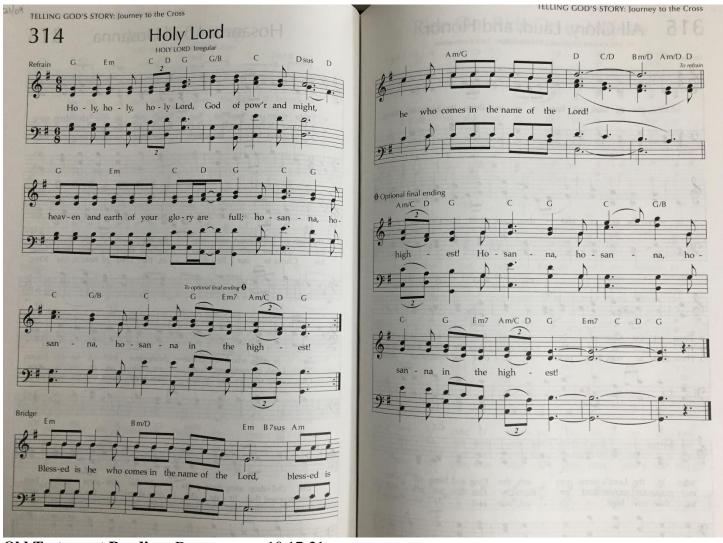
VT #314 "Holy Lord"

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GIVING

In My Life, Lord, Be Glorified





Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 10:17-21

For Yhwh is the God of gods, the Sovereign of sovereigns, the great God, powerful and awe-inspiring, who has no favorites and cannot be bribed; who brings justice to the orphan and the widowed, and who befriends the foreigner among you with food and clothing. In the same way, you too must befriend the foreigner, for you were once foreigners yourselves in the land of Egypt. It is Yhwh, the God Most High, whom you must serve with awe; whom you must cling to and by whom you must swear; who is your praise; who is your God; who has done great things which your eyes have seen with awe.

Children's Gathering Song: VT #510 "Today Earth is Singing"

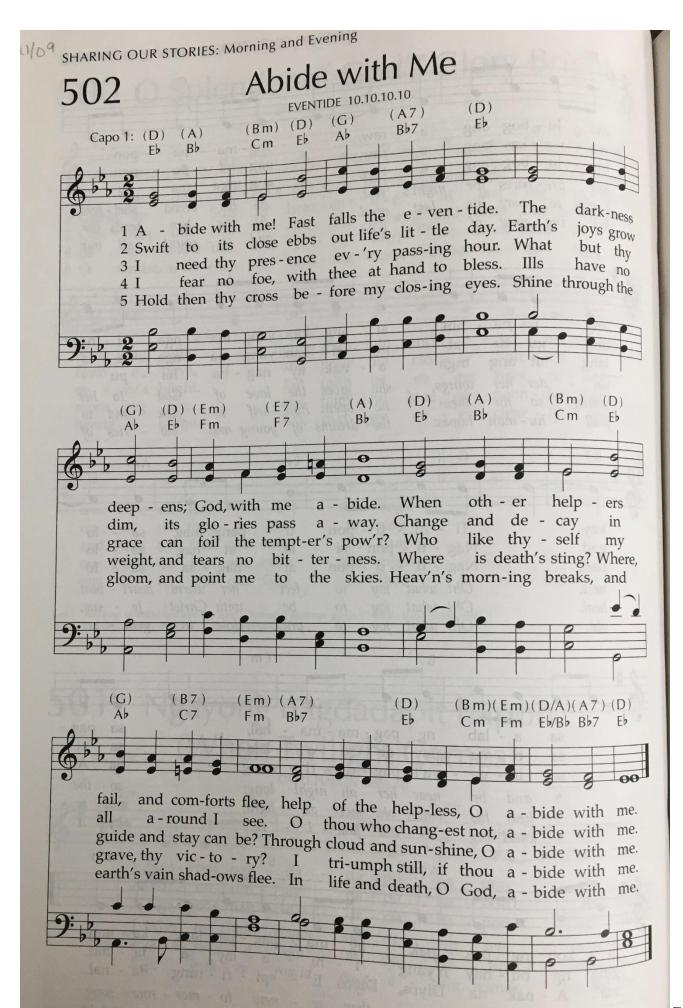
Children's Time with Vanessa Stefaniuk
Today earth is singing with stars up above,
Our arms wide in welcome for God's gift of love;
We greet you, dear children, we're glad you are here;
Your newness renews us and heaven comes near.

Offering Prayer/Offertory

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church:

- -Linda Doell in hospital recovering from a fall
- -teachers and students starting school
- -OMC fall programing

Hymn: VT #502 "Abide with Me"



Reading: Matthew 25:34-40

"The ruler will say to those on the right, 'Come, you blessed of my Abba God! Inherit the kindom prepared for you from the creation of the world! For I was hungry and you fed me; I was thirsty and you gave me drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me; naked and you clothed me. I was ill and you comforted me; in prison and you came to visit me.' Then these just will ask, 'When did we see you hungry and feed you, or see you thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you as a stranger and invite you in, or clothe you in your nakedness? When did we see you ill or in prison and come to visit you?' The ruler will answer them, 'The truth is, every time you did this for the least of my sisters or brothers, you did it for me.'

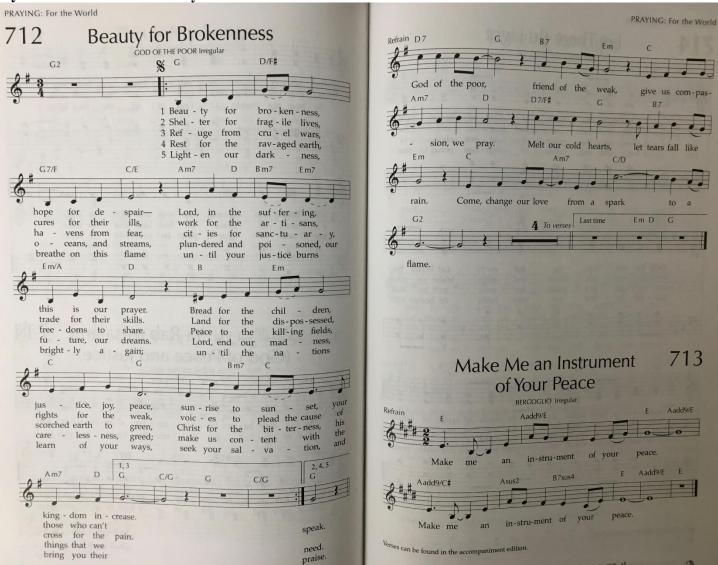
Response to the Scripture

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 #712 "Beauty for Brokenness"



Sermon: "For You Were Once Refugees"

Hymn: VT #458 "The Water Is Ready"

Benediction:

This week's Yard Maintenance – W & R Buhler & family

Patty's Week: Tues worship, MC SK, Weds office, visit, Fri office, visit

Nora's Week: Working Sun, Tue, Wed, Fri

TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM

Speaker: Mark Bigland-Pritchard Worship Leader: Nora Pederberg

Song Leaders: Kathryn, Ben Accompanist: Lynette

Children's Time: Vanessa Sound: Keri/James Usher: Harold

NEXT SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAM: September 12 (Outdoors)

Speaker: Patty Friesen Worship Leader: Adeline Cox

Song Leaders: Ben, Loretta Accompanist: Melanie
Children's Time: Patty Sound: Doug Usher: Anna

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*From Re-Opening Committee: It is September and our hope was to continue with relaxing the COVID protocols within the church. It appears that the number of active cases in Saskatchewan are rising rapidly and we find it necessary re-evaluate the plan and to take a step back to maintain a safe environment for all who attend church. With that in mind, the committee and church executive have re-instituted the mandatory mask requirement in all areas inside the church including the sanctuary. The configuration of the sanctuary will also remain the same which provides the overflow and north side seating as physical distancing areas. These protocols will be reviewed monthly and modified as conditions change. Thank you for your patience throughout this time.

OMC Youth Group - Friday Sept 10 6:30pm - 8:30pm - The hope is to meet outside OMC as we have been in the summer, play some games, have a snack, and talk about what we are hoping for as a youth group this year. If we get rains out we will meet masked inside the OMC gym!

*YOUTH FUNDRAISER - Our OMC youth group will be participating in Shekinah's Move-a-thon on Sept.18th! We are hoping to raise some funds from within the congregation. Youth will be collecting funds after our Sept.12th Worship Service so if you would like to support Shekinah and get our youth our biking/hiking/canoeing please bring cash/cheque next week or talk to Pastor Nora

*MCC Connects: The MCC Saskatchewan Board invites you to the MCCS Annual General Meeting on Saturday, September 25th, 1:30-4:00pm, via Zoom. Consider being a delegate from your church. We will spend time looking back over the activities and financial realities of the 2020-2021 year and also reflect on how the pandemic has shaped and is shaping the ongoing work of MCC. We will be joined by MCC Canada Executive Director Rick Cober Bauman and the keynote address will be provided by Paul Shetler Fast, MCC's Global Health Coordinator. To register, visit https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/events/mcc-saskatchewan-2021-agm and click on 'Register Online.'

**Please inform Doug McKinnell if you wish to be a delegate.

Join us for Sunday School kick off on Sunday, September 12 10:00 a.m.!! It will be an informal Community Connections led service of music, reflection and time for community building. The hope is to be outside in the church yard/park. If the weather is uncooperative we will be in the multi-purpose room. (*Mandatory Masks protocol*)

Please bring a bagged lunch with you if you feel comfortable.

This was planned to give us time together as a community to reflect and

For more information please contact one of the Community Connections team members - Kaytee, Diane M, Adeline, Alex.

September 19: Children's Sunday school starts back in person. Adult & Youth Sunday school Forum in sanctuary with Harry and Leonard.

September 26: Christianity and Culture Hybrid: Room 3 and Zoom: A fresh look at worship with Voices Together.

Would you like to be a **Sunday School teacher** with our children? Please talk with Steve or Christy to learn more about this opportunity. We will be starting up on September 19, and welcome you to get to know our lovely children! Teachers will be committing to a three-week slot, and likely will only have 3 of those during the year.

OMC CALENDAR

Sept 10 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm Youth Group at OMC

Sept 12 10:00 am Community Connection (*not on Facebook*)

*Held on the church yard - bring your own seating and a picnic lunch

Sept 13 7:00 pm Worship mtg

Sept 15 7:00 pm Council mtg in person @ OMC

Sept 18 MEGA MENNO Shekinah Move-A-Thon

Sept 19 10:00 am Harry Lafond & Leonard Doell (also on Facebook)

11:00 am SS Forum: Harry & Leonard on Mennonites & Indians

Sept 26 10:00 am Ched Mayers & Elaine Enns (also on Facebook)

11:00 am SS Forum: Ched & Elaine Healing Haunted History

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