



# Osler Mennonite Church

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

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*10:00 a.m. Worship Service*

*May 7, 2023*

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**  
*Jesus the Way to Peace*

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome/Land Acknowledgement/Announcements**

### **Call to Worship** *Psalm 32:1-4, 16*

L: In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me ever be put to shame;  
in your righteousness deliver me.

**P: Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily.**

**Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me.**

L: You are indeed my rock and my fortress;  
for your name's sake lead me and guide me;  
take me out of the net that is hidden for me, for you are my refuge.

**All: Let your face shine upon your servant;  
save me in your steadfast love.**

**Gathering Hymns: VT #84**

**VT #719**

**To God Be the Glory**

**Jesus, Help Us Live in Peace**

### **Epistle Reading:** *1 Peter 2:2-10*

Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to Christ, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes will not be put to shame.” This honour, then, is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the

builders rejected has become the very head of the corner,” and “A stone that makes them stumble and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people, in order that you may proclaim the excellence of the One who called you out of darkness into marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

**Children’s Gathering Song:** VT #509 See the Children Here before Us  
Children’s Time: Edna

### **Offering / Offertory Prayer / Music for Meditation**

### **Sharing of Joys and Concerns / Prayer of the Church**

*Prayers* – Russian and Ukrainian conscientious objectors

-Zach working at Wildwood Mennonite Church

-Doug Cox’s scheduled hip surgery

-for all our *travelers/vacationers*

-teachers & students are their school year ends

*Thanksgiving* - for Susan Braun and Lucy Friesen leading *Forever in Motion* a senior’s exercise program at Osler Community Hall since fall.

**Hymn: Lord Make Me an Instrument**

### **Gospel Reading: John 14:1-7**

“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In God’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going. “Thomas said to Jesus, “We do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” Jesus said, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Holy One except through me. If you know me, you will know my God also.”

### **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 #584      Jesus, Be the Center**

**Sermon                      9 Mile Markers for Peace**

**Hymn: VT #815      We Will Walk with God**

**Benediction:** The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God to love and serve others. Amen.

*\*Offerings can be done via e-transfer to [osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com)*

**TODAY'S WORSHIP      May 7 Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Speaker: Patty Friesen      Worship Leader: Terry Stefaniuk

Song Leaders: Dayna, Kathryn      Accompanist: Naomi

Children's Time: Edna      Sound: Matthew      Ushers: Benjamin/Dick

*Kids S.S. – Naomi Schellenberg, Youth S.S – Luke Bushman*

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

**Patty's Week:** Tues. sermon; Weds. office; Fri. office, Bethany

**Luke's Week:** Wed. work from home; Thur. Osler & NPMC; Fr. Osler Office & NPMC youth; Sat. Youth at OMC; Sun. Church

**Every Friday 10:00 Drop-In** coffee with staff available

**Birthday:** 8 – Sarah Buhler; 11 - Louise Buhler; 11 – Dave Feick

**Snack/Coffee Schedule:** May 7 Julie Bergen Braun  
May 14 Louise Buhler

**All are welcome to the Anabaptism 500 Community Bible Study** led by Pastor Luke on Thursdays 7:00 p.m. Last session on May 11.

**Rejoice** the last issue of our 2023 subscription is here. If we're getting it and no longer wish to – please let the office know, otherwise it will continue. If you would like to subscribe to this daily donation, please let the office know. *(Just a reminder that the yearly cost is \$47.63 which you may wish to add to your regular donations.)*

**MDS** – if you didn't get your own update letter from MDS, see the church's posted on the bulletin board.

**Today - Saskatoon Chamber Singers** concert is on May 7 at 3:00pm at Knox United Church. See Michelle for tickets.

**CREAM GRAVY and Rhubarb Sauce.** MCC has asked OMC for 4 volunteers to make Cream Gravy at the MCC Relief Sale on June 17th from 9am to 11am. They also need Rhubarb sauce for the vereniki. Please sign up on the bulletin board or let Adeline know if you can help with these.

Or if you are able to help for a shift in one of the various areas such as serving food, table wiping, setup, cleanup, rolling and frying roll kuchen, cooking vereniki, being a garbage monitor, a parking attendant or ticket booth attendant, serving coffee/water, etc., please contact Lois Mierau directly at (306) 250-8403 so she can schedule you in. *Many hands make light work and MCC needs our hands for this!*

**\*The latest Bethany Manor** Newsletter is on the bulletin board

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Osler School Retirements:** Please sign retirement cards on lobby table for Audrey Kampen, principal (10+ years) and Pat Bodnar, music teacher (40+ years), who have served our school and community well.

**\*Save the Date** – the Community is invited to a Celebration honoring the retirement of Pat Bodnar at the Osler School on Thursday, June 29. More details to follow.

**Spring Baptism or Church Membership:** please let Patty or Luke know if you are interested in talking about your relationship with God and Jesus and if you are interested in baptism or joining the church at Pentecost May 28.

**\*Light Music for Spring:** North Sky Chorale, led by Richard Janzen and featuring Philip Klassen, has two upcoming concerts. Saturday May 13 at 2:00pm at the Station Arts Centre in Rosthern and Sunday May 14 at 3:00pm at Knox United Church in Saskatoon. Tickets can be purchased by searching North Sky Chorale at [www.eventbrite.ca](http://www.eventbrite.ca) (Michelle, Dayna and Scott Feick are singing in it)

**On May 27th,** we are doing a "Menno Run" with some other churches in MC Sask. This is a town wide game for youth gr. 6-12, and we are looking for people to volunteer their homes as "safe houses" as part of the game, as well as additional leaders who want to participate as "hunters for the game". Contact Luke for more information.

**\*MCC Connect:** Do you have any gently used, previously purchased Ten Thousand Villages items that you don't want to display anymore or don't have room for? MCC is looking for donations for a "Ten Thousand Villages Revisited" that we will have at our Relief Sale Festival on Saturday, June 17. If you have any items you would be willing to donate for this table, please drop them off at the Main Office or call 306-665-2555 for more information.

**The Youth Farm Complex Auxiliary** is glad to announce that we will be hosting our Annual May Day Tea and Cake Walk Fundraiser this year. The event will be held on Thursday, May 11th, 2023 from 2:00 - 4:00 pm in the Mennonite Nursing Home Auditorium. Admission is by donation. The proceeds from the Tea will go towards purchasing a Hot Towel Warmer for Sunrise Place. Everyone is welcome!

**MC SK Updates:**

**\*May 7 @ 3pm The first warm-weather forest church of 2023.** Bring your family or bring a friend and be present with the glory of God in outdoor worship at Shekinah. All are welcome!

**Mega Menno-Run!** May 27, 7-9pm, Osler Mennonite Church. Join us for an evening of outdoor sneaking and fun as we bring past and present together in this classic Mennonite history game. For youth gr. 6-12, contact youthminister@mcsask.ca for more information

**RJC Golf Classic | Saturday, May 27** Join us at the Valley Regional Park in Rosthern for an afternoon of golf in support of RJC's athletics program. Beginning at 11:00am with registration, lunch and pre-game activities, with a shotgun start at 1:00pm. The evening will wrap up with a closing program and meal at the Station Arts Centre in Rosthern. Cost is \$175/golfer which includes lunch, cart, dinner & 18 holes. Register your team today! Visit [rjc.sk.ca/golfclassic](http://rjc.sk.ca/golfclassic) for more information and to register.

**\*Decolonizing Our Churches: Reweaving our lives** June 20 -22, 2023 Put on by the Saskatoon Theological Union at St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon. Details available at Conference 2023 ([lutherantheological.ca](http://lutherantheological.ca))

\*A word from MC Sask's Climate Emergency Response Team, today's inCERT is available at <https://mcsask.ca/news/11379>

**\*It's not too late to apply for the Canadian School of Peacebuilding,** June 5-9 or 12-16. Go to [csop.cmu.ca](http://csop.cmu.ca) for more information and to apply for your choice of five-day courses on topics such as Indigenous cultural safety, peace skills, radical economics, decolonization, and credible disaster reporting.

**Spring at CMU** – If you missed the concert featuring the CMU Chamber Choir and the CMU Singers, you can still watch it online at [cmu.ca/springatcmu](http://cmu.ca/springatcmu).

**The 21st annual CMU Golf Classic** will take place on June 14 at Bridges Golf Course. Come as an individual or foursome to support CMU's student athletes and student aid program. To register or for sponsorship opportunities, visit [cmu.ca/golf](http://cmu.ca/golf).

### CALENDAR

**May 7 10:00 am Patty Friesen** *Nine Mile-markers for Peace*

May 11 11:00 am Deacon mtg

**May 14 10:00 am Rick Guenther** *from MCC Sask*

11:00 am SS Forum on MCC's current work

12:00 Second Sunday Lunch Bunch Osler Restaurant

**May 21 10:00 am Patty Friesen**

*What does non-resistance in Ukraine look like?*

**May 28 10:00 am Luke Bushman** *Pentecost Communion*

28 11:00 am Worship mtg

**June 4 10:00 am Patty Friesen** *Trinity Sunday*

**June 11 10:00 am Church Picnic**

**June 17 starting at 11:00 am MCC Relief Sale**

**NEXT SUNDAY May 14** *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

Speaker: Rick Guenther

Worship Leader: Luke Bushman

Song Leader: Kevin

Accompanist: Melanie

Children's Time: Becca

Sound: Benjamin Ushers: Susan/Dick

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