



Osler Mennonite Church

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

June 8, 2025

Church Picnic

Prelude

Welcome/Land Appreciation/Announcements

Call to Worship:

Leader: Come let us worship

People: for we are the people of God's pasture.

Leader: Come let us worship and bow down before the Lord, our Maker

ALL: For the Lord is our God and God desires our worship

Invocation

Songs of Praise: I Sing the Mighty Power of God

I sing the mighty pow'r of God, that made the mountains rise,
That spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies,
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day,
The moon shines full at God's command and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food.
God formed the creatures with a word, and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed where'er I turn my eye,
If I survey the ground I tread or gaze upon the sky!

There's not a plant or flow'r below, but makes thy glories known,
And clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from thy throne,
While all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care,
There's not a place where we can flee but God is present there

I Will Call Upon the Lord

I will call upon the Lord
Who is worthy to be praised
So shall I be saved from my enemies

I will call upon the Lord.
The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock
And let the God of my salvation be exalted.
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First Reading: Job 12:7-10

“But ask the animals, and they will teach you,
the birds of the air, and they will tell you;
ask the plants of the earth, and they will teach you,
and the fish of the sea will declare to you.
Who among all these does not know
that the hand of the Lord has done this?
In his hand is the life of every living thing
and the breath of every human being.

Offering Prayer/Music for Meditation *I Hear Music in the Air*

Up above my head I hear music in the air (x3)
And I really do believe, there is a heaven up there.
Up above my head I hear crying in the air...
Up above my head I hear praying in the air...
Up above my head I hear laughing in the air...
Up above my head I hear singing in the air....

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

Prayers - rain

- the people whose livelihood is threatened due to wildfires
- some supplies and support went out to the Beardsy's Okemasis emergency shelter on Wednesday.

Thanks for the prayers. We can feel them here in the valley of the shadow. Improvements. Waiting for pathology and discharge plan. Patty Friesen

Congratulations – Jadrian Guenther who convocated on June 4th from Edward's School of Business with a Bachelor's Degree in Commerce

Sunday School Teacher/Helper Appreciation

Songs: This Little Light of Mine

This little light of mine
I'm gonna let it shine (x3)

Let it shine, Let it shine, Let it shine!
Monday gave me the gift of love
Tuesday peace came from above
Wednesday told me to have more faith
Thursday gave me a little more grace
Friday told me to watch and pray
Saturday told me just what to say
Sunday gave me the power divine, just to let my little light shine!
Woo!

Second Reading: Psalm 96:1-3; 11-13

Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth.
Sing to the Lord, praise his name;
proclaim his salvation day after day.
Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous deeds among all peoples.
Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;
let the sea resound, and all that is in it.
Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them;
let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.
Let all creation rejoice before the Lord, for he comes,
he comes to judge the earth.
He will judge the world in righteousness
and the peoples in his faithfulness.

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.

Presentation of Grad Hymnal to Zenon Borne

Song: Peace Like A River

I've got peace like a river (x3)
In my soul. (repeat)
I've got love like an ocean.
I've got joy like a fountain.

Story for All Ages: Chaos, Sustenance, Liberation and Puppets

Luke and Youth

Benediction: Go from here spreading like the leaves in the breeze. Spread love and peace, like the pollen carried by the bees. May you blossom like the flowers, becoming the person God made you to be.

Grace: God Is Great (*Round*)

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

TODAY June 8 Outdoor Service

Luke and the Youth in Charge of the Service

Music: Michelle Accompanist: Kathryn, Ben Ushers: Carl/Lanae

Offering Counter Team: Diana/Shelley

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

Luke's Week: Wed. in office; Fri.-Sun. vacation; Mon. Executive mtg

For Pastoral care you may also call Dave 306-270-5031

Birthdays: 8 – Ben Buhler; 8 – George Janzen; 8 – Russ Friesen;
12 – Rhonda Gascho; 14 - Tony Funk

Gathering Room Coffee Schedule: June 8 – Picnic

June 15 - ?

June 22 – Boldt Family

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From the Education Committee: Mark your calendars! On July 20 and August 17 we would like to carve out some space for church folks to spend time together after church. Bring your own lunch and some yard games (or slow pitch gear), lawn chairs, etc... *We look forward to seeing you there!*

From your Worship Committee: Tell us a story. We want to hear your family stories, reconciliation stories, human interest stories. Perhaps you have some visual art that you'd like to share and talk about. If you have a story to tell, please talk to a member of the Worship Committee.

Community Connections is looking for some dressers or chest of drawers that people would be willing to donate. If you have, please talk to John G, Kaytee, Alex or Scott. Thankyou

Community Connections: We are looking for more volunteers to make 5 or 6 gallon pails of rhubarb sauce and cream gravy for the MCC Relief Sale. MCC would like rhubarb sauce prepared in advance (let us know if you need rhubarb), but cream gravy will be prepared the morning of the sale at Forrest Grove Church. Please talk to Alex if you are interested in helping, or would be available to volunteer at the relief sale. alextiessen15@gmail.com or 306-212-0463.

Seeking: OMC Librarian

The Ed Committee is on the lookout for someone who is passionate about books and interested in learning the role of OMC Librarian. Our ever-steady, long-serving, rockstar librarian, Ruth, is looking to close the chapter on her work as librarian, and pass on the role. They are big shoes to fill, but Ruth has kindly offered to help the next person learn the role. For more information on what the commitment entails, please reach out to Steph S, Naomi S, Casadi S, or Marlene C.

RJC Musical: Fiddler on the Roof | 7:00pm June 19, 20 & 21 RJC High School performing arts presents Fiddler on the Roof! The show runs June 19-21 in the RJC Auditorium (410 6th Ave, Rosthern, SK). Adults - \$25, 17 & under - \$15. Students in Grades 6-11 are invited to a VIP Youth Experience prior to the Thursday night show, which includes free admission to the musical, more details are available on our website. To purchase your musical tickets please visit rjc.sk.ca/musical. Contact the school (306) 232-4222 to request wheelchair/accessible seating. Get your tickets today!

Dear OMC Congregation,

We are pleased to announce that the OMC Church Council has unanimously approved Brad Schroeder as a candidate for the Part-Time Lead Pastor position.

The candidating weekend is scheduled for June 14th and 15th, 2025, and will include the following opportunities to engage with Brad:

*****Saturday, June 14th @ 7:00 pm. A meet-and-greet event in the evening, hosted by the deacons at the home of George & Lynette Janzen in Blumenheim**

***Sunday, June 15th:** Brad will be speaking during the service, followed by a potluck lunch, a question-and-answer session, and a congregational meeting for discernment.

The council acknowledges that this weekend coincides with the MCC sale weekend and Father's Day. We apologize for the full schedule but encourage everyone to mark their calendars and make plans to attend these important events.

Thank you for your participation in this process. If you have comments or questions please contact Kevin Boldt.

Pride Month is here!

Visible actions that reflect our values of love and affirmation are so important, and this is an opportunity to put those values on display. So mark your calendars and plan to join your Mennonite siblings as we walk/ride/roll in the 2025 Saskatoon Pride Parade!

When? Noon, Sunday June 22nd

Where? Saskatoon (Start point TBA)

Talk to Steph or Michelle for more info, or to let us know you are planning to attend.

****Prep for Pride****

A sign-making event happening at the Remai Art Gallery, **Friday, June 20th at 5pm.**

Several folks from Wildwood Mennonite will be in attendance, and Steph hopes to be there also.

Even if you can't attend the Parade, you are welcome to join in this art-making event!

RJC Alumni & Friends BBQ | 5:30pm, Saturday, June 21 - RJC alumni & friends are invited to our annual BBQ, prior to the final performance of RJC's musical, Fiddler on the Roof. \$15 per person for the meal (10 & under - free). RSVP to office@rjc.sk.ca or call (306) 232-4222.

RJC Graduation | Sunday June 22 - Please join us as we celebrate the class of 2025! 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!

Mennos at the Pali Rally

You are invited to join in the weekly Palestine rally, facilitated by Canadians for Justice and Peace in the Middle East. People of all ages and walks of life, who cannot stay silent about the genocide happening in Palestine, have been gathering weekly to call for all people and governments to take action for a ceasefire and liberation for Palestine. It's time for Mennonites to use our voices and bodies to call for peace too!

Sunday June 8, 2:30-3:30pm

Staples/Winners parking lot on 8th St in Saskatoon

For more info, talk to Steph S. 306-229-1138 or email

stepahniemsiemens@gmail.com

Join us in celebrating our 100th Anniversary! Fiske Mennonite Church is celebrating their 100th Anniversary on Sunday, June 15. Worship begins at 10:30 am in the church followed by a catered lunch at the Fiske hall. The afternoon will feature reflections, a slide show, ball games and ice cream! RSVP by May 31 to fiskemennochurch@sasktel.net or call 306-831-9723.

MCC Connects: Join us under the big tent at Forest Grove Community Church in Saskatoon for our annual Relief Sale Festival, this coming Saturday, June 14 from 11 am - 3 pm. There will be good food and fun for all ages. Please visit mccskreliefsale.com for all the details.

Praying for each other: Wildwood Mennonite Church welcomes your prayers for two community partnerships we are working with this year. WMC is building relationships with the L'Arche community in Saskatoon, participating in regular social and worship events. We are also connecting with Wildwood Elementary School to help provide food and books for low-income families in our neighbourhood. Prayers for open hearts and hands as we learn and serve together would be appreciated! (*new*)

SHEKINAH KITCHEN HELP NEEDED for OMC week **August 4-7**. Lloyd and Loretta have committed to cooking at Shekinah for children's camp. Please consider giving a day or two of your time to help feed hungry kids, counsellors and CIT's. Accommodation provided in the Timber Lodge. Please contact Lloyd or Loretta to sign up!

Please pray for all those impacted by the wildfires which are burning in northern Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and in other regions. Many have been forced to evacuate and now face uncertainly. Many have lost homes and businesses. We also pray for those responding to this crisis. Lord have mercy.

MCC Thrift Shops in Rosthern, Warman, and Saskatoon are responding to the fires with gifts in kind and discount coupons distributed to agencies responding to fire evacuees. (new)

Please refer to the email sent Friday re: reflections from Merel about volunteering at Beardy's last week, as well as a call to action for anyone interested in volunteering/donating in the coming weeks."

If you are attending Gathering 2025, you are invited to the "**New Churches & Church Renewal Meet-Up**" **Saturday, July 5 at 3:30 – 5:30 pm**. Throughout Mennonite Church Canada congregations are experimenting with renewal; courageous leaders and small groups are seeding new congregations, and sisters and brothers in Diaspora congregations are joining their gifts to our regional and nationwide church families. Come hear their stories. For more details on this event and to sign up, go to <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/article/45468> (new)

Celebrating Our 500 Years: Saturday July 26, 3:00 p.m. at the Mennonite Youth Farm, Rosthern. Join with fellow heirs of the Anabaptist Reformation in celebrating the 500th anniversary of the beginning of our Anabaptist faith family, and our 130 years in Saskatchewan. The afternoon will include music and storytelling. Supper will be available for purchase on the grounds. Bring lawn chairs. (new)

CALENDAR

Sun. June 8 – 10:00 am SS Picnic on the Church yard

Sat. June 14 – 7:00 pm Meet & Greet re: Brad sponsored by the Deacons
@ Lynette & Geo's house in Blumenheim

Sun. June 15 – 10:00 am Brad Schroeder speaking

Mon. June 16 – 6:30 pm Executive mtg

Sun. June 22 – 10:00 am Luke Bushman speaking

- 11:15 am Worship mtg

Sun. June 29 – 10:00 am Jan Braun speaking

The Yard Maintenance Schedule:

June 9 – 14 Lloyd Sawatzky & R Gascho

June 16 – 21 Chris Buhler & Clint Neufeld

NEXT SUNDAY June 15

Trinity Sunday

Speaker: Brad Schroder Worship Leader: George Janzen

Song Leaders: Loretta, Benjamin Accompanist: Lynette

Story: Kathy Sound: Doug Ushers: Carl/Lanae

Offering Counter Team: Lloyd/Dave

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