



Osler Mennonite Church

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

July 12, 2026

Living as Peacemakers

Prelude

Welcome/Land Appreciation/Announcements

EMBODIMENT helps to heal the mind-body divide, the self-other distance, and the person-land schism. Embodiment doesn't have to be learned, for we are born into it; it only has to be remembered.

Hillary McBride, Practices for Embodied Living

Call to Worship: When I Am Among the Trees *By Mary Oliver*

When I am among the trees,
especially the willows and the honey locust,
equally the beech, the oaks and the pines,
they give off such hints of gladness.
I would almost say that they save me, and daily.

I am so distant from the hope of myself,
in which I have goodness, and discernment,
and never hurry through the world
but walk slowly, and bow often.

Around me the trees stir in their leaves
and call out, "Stay awhile."
The light flows from their branches.

And they call again, "It's simple," they say,
"and you too have come into the world to do this,
to go easy, to be filled with light, and to shine."

Prayer of Invocation:

Be at peace.
Do not look forward in fear to the changes of life;
rather look to them with full hope as they arise.
God, whose very own you are, will deliver you from out of them.
God has kept you until now,

and God will lead you safely through all things;
and when you cannot stand it, God will bury you in God's arms.
Do not fear what may happen tomorrow;
the same everlasting Parent who cares for you today
will take care of you then and every day.
God will either shield you from suffering,
or give you unfailing strength to bear it.
Be at peace,
and put aside all anxious thoughts and imagination.

Francis De Sales

**Gathering Hymns: VT #177
VT #131**

**All things Bright and Beautiful
Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord**

First Reading: John 2: 1-11

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the celebration. When the wine ran out, Jesus' mother said to him, "They don't have any wine."

Jesus replied, "Woman, what does that have to do with me? My time hasn't come yet."

His mother told the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Nearby were six stone water jars used for the Jewish cleansing ritual, each able to hold about twenty or thirty gallons.

Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water, "and they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Now draw some from them and take it to the headwaiter," and they did. The headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine. He didn't know where it came from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew.

The headwaiter called the groom and said, "Everyone serves the good wine first. They bring out the second-rate wine only when the guests are drinking freely. You kept the good wine until now." This was the first miraculous sign that Jesus did in Cana of Galilee. He revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him.

**Children's Gathering Song: Today Earth is Singing
Story Time for All Ages**

Offering Prayer/Music for Meditation

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

We pray for Julie's mother as she recovers from surgery

Remember in prayer the Hasani family as they wait for communication from government concerning their refugee claim

Candle Prayers for peace and our hearts' desires...

Hymn: VT #740 Spirit of the Living God

Second Reading: Luke 4:16-21

Jesus went to Nazareth, where he had been raised. On the Sabbath he went to the synagogue as he normally did and stood up to read. The synagogue assistant gave him the scroll from the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me.
He has sent me to preach good news to the poor,
to proclaim release to the prisoners
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to liberate the oppressed,
and to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.

He rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the synagogue assistant, and sat down. Every eye in the synagogue was fixed on him. He began to explain to them, "Today, this scripture has been fulfilled just as you heard it."

Matthew 22:37-40

He replied, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: You must love your neighbor as you love yourself. All the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commands."

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 #759 Take My Life, and Let It Be

Sermon: Pursuing Peace and Joy

Hymn: VT #827 Move in Our Midst

Benediction:

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

*Our services are all streamed and archived on-line.

TODAY July 12

Speaker: Brad Schroeder Worship Leader: Julie Bergen

Song Leader: Loretta Accompanist: Melanie

Story: Lynette Sound: Benjamin Ushers: Carl/Lanae

Offering Counter Team: Lloyd/Wilf

No Coffee/Snack for the July and August

There will be no Coffee/Snack for July and August **BUT** if you have a special occasion you wish to celebrate with coffee and a snack, please let the office know to announce it.

Yard Maintenance for the week of July 13 – 18 – Matt Braun & family

Office Hours: Wednesday & Friday 8:30 am. to 12:30 pm

No Friday Coffee Time *until September*

Brad's Week: will be away on vacation from July 13 – 19.

Luke's Week:

Birthdays this Week: 13 – Jean Harms; 16 – Dylan Martens

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Summer camps are coming up soon. The Education Committee has a budget specifically for camperships. If you would like to access campership funding to help someone experience a week at camp this summer, please email Luke, at oslermcpastor2@gmail.com to get an application form."

Shekinah is looking for volunteers to help in the camp kitchen from July 13-17. Please text or call Audrey (306 270-3638), the convenor for that week, if you can help for a day or two or three.

Bethany Manor is looking for Housing & Office/Admin Support (Casual). See the bulletin board for more info.

Gospel Jamboree at Love, Sask. July 10, 11 & 12. Check the bulletin board for details.

MCC Connects: Are you a young adult, or know a young adult, who is interested in exploring what it means to be an Anabaptist follower of Jesus in a complicated world? MCC's Seek program is a Christian

discipleship program in Phnom Penh, Cambodia for young adults ages 18-20 that runs from January to June every year. All assignment-related costs are covered for this unique opportunity to live in community, dig deep into the word of God, and explore the richness of Cambodian culture. Applications are open until August 3. Learn more at: mcc.org/seek

MC SASK Updates:

Where's Len this week?

Beginning on June 24, Len is on a short medical leave, so you won't be seeing him in your congregations until later in the summer. During this time, please contact Cynthia in the office and she will be able to direct you as needed. (MC Sask)

Applications are now being accepted for the 2025 MC Sask Education Scholarship. Eligible schools and service programs include: RJC High School, Canadian Mennonite University, SALT (MCC), 3E Internship (Youth Farm Bible Camp), and more. Application deadline is July 31, 2026, visit www.mcsask.ca for application forms and full eligibility details.

<https://mcsask.ca/res/pub/2026-Scholarship-Application.pdf>

Shekinah Retreat Centre is seeking a Maintenance Coordinator who is responsible for the care, maintenance, and safe operation of all facilities and grounds across the Centre's 287-acre property. Shekinah hosts summer camps, school programs, and year-round rentals. We are looking for someone who is hands-on, reliable, service oriented, and who embraces Shekinah's mission that all are welcome to experience the presence and glory of God. Link to online application:

<https://www.cognitofrms.com/ShekinahRetreatCentre/ApplicationForMaintenanceCoordinator> (New)

International Witness in South Korea // All are welcome for an afternoon of tea and conversation with Cheryl Woelk & Scott Kim, volunteer liaisons for Mennonite Church Canada's International Witness work in South Korea. Sunday, July 12, 2-4pm at Wildwood Mennonite Church.

Employment Opportunities – CMU welcomes applications for sessional instructor positions in Music and Education as well as other opportunities. Visit cmu.ca/employment for more information.

Updated! Risk Taking and New Wine in New Wine Skins - Ingrid Thiessen. Many of our bible stories talk about people who took risks. Early adopters are such people. This inCERT tells of a few climate related early adopter stories including a link to the CBC program "What on Earth" which looks at fertilizer alternatives. Doyle Wiebe, a member of the Mennonite church, is trying one of those fertilizer options. (A technical glitch happened, there currently is no link to the article by Ingrid Thiessen. For now those interested in reading the article may email: mcsask@mcsask.ca Please site "Risk Taking" in the subject line of the email.) (New)

Once again, this fall MC Sask is offering a CMU course in Saskatoon. This year's course is Anabaptist Peace Theology and Gender Justice, and it will be taught by Susanne Guenther Loewen. The course will be on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm to 4:15 pm from September 10th until December 3rd, online and in-person at the MCC Centre. CMU students can register for this course now. For those interested in taking it for personal development, watch for the registration form on the MC Sask website soon. (New)

Check out the *Thank You* card from RJC High School re: hosting their grade 9, 10 and 11's for a grad banquet.

CALENDAR

Sun. July 12 – 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching

Sun. July 19 – 10:00 am Dave Feick speaking

Sun. July 26 – 10:00 am Luke Bushman preaching

Sun. Aug 2 - 10:00 am

NEXT SUNDAY – July 19

Speaker: Dave Feick Worship Leader: George Janzen

Song Leaders: Kathryn, Ben, Benjamin Accompanist: Lynette

Story: Wilf Sound: James Ushers: Carl/Lanae

Offering Counter Team: Diana/Kevin

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