



Osler Mennonite Church

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

September 12, 2021

Gathering

Welcome/Announcements

Prayer for the Day and for the offering

Congregational Singing

SJ #61 “How can we be silent”

SJ #103 “Why should I feel discouraged”

Ritual of healing and Release – Kaytee and Alex

Prayer of Healing and Release – Patty Friesen

Singing: O Healing River

Sung Grace for our Lunch “Praise God” (606)

Concert by “Golden Hour”

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church:

-100th birthday celebration for Harold’s mom, Helen (Sawatsky)

Loewen living at the Rosthern

Nursing Home

-prayer for Chris & Kaytee’s journey to parenthood via IVF

-Loretta’s recovery from sinus surgery

-Linda Doell in hospital recovering

-teachers and students starting school

-OMC fall programming

TODAY’S WORSHIP TEAM

Outdoors (bring your own seating and a picnic lunch)

Community Connection team – Kaytee, Diane M, Adeline, Alex

Music by “Golden Hour”

- Dayna Stefanick, Kathleen Regier, Kenna Forrester

*New address for Zachary Stefaniuk as he begins his studies

Unit 248 – 350 Columbia Street West

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Phone number remains 1(306)212-7716

This week’s Yard Maintenance – G & L Janzen & J Tataryn & K Janzen

Patty’s Week: Mon. worship, Tues. sermon, Weds. office, council, Fri. office, Sat. Shekinah

Nora’s Week: Working Sun, Mon-Fri CPE Orientation, Sat youth event

OMC CALENDAR

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 - Indian Residential

Schools

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

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

Oct 3 10:00 am Patty Friesen speaking (*also on Facebook*)

1:30 pm Congregational Mtg via Zoom

Oct 10 10:00 am Communion

NEXT SUNDAY WORSHIP TEAM: September 19

Speaker: Harry Lafond Worship Leader: Patty

Song Leaders: Kathryn, Ben Accompanist: Naomi

Children's Time: Lynette Sound: Matthew Usher: Anna

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We gather on Treaty Six Lands, Nehiyaw Territory, and the Homeland of the Métis

61 How can we be silent

HOW CAN WE BE SILENT Irregular

- 1 How can we be si-lent when we know our God is near, bring-ing
- 2 How can we be si-lent when our God has con-quer-ed death, stretch-ing
- 3 How can we be si-lent as we turn our eyes a-way and ig-
- 4 How can we be si-lent, not give praise with all our hearts, for Christ
- 5 How can we be si-lent when our souls are filled with awe at the

- 1 light to those in dark-ness, to the worth-less, end-less worth?
- 2 out his arms to suf-fer so that we might have new life?
- 3 more the poor and bro-ken who lie bleed-ing in the street?
- 4 Je-sus is our Sav-ior and com-pas-sion is our king?
- 5 beau-ty of cre-a-tion and the mer-cy of our Lord?

- 1 How can we be si-lent when we are the voice of Christ, speak-ing
- 2 How can we be si-lent when we know that Je-sus rose, and will
- 3 How can we be si-lent when we're called to heal and serve in the
- 4 How can we be si-lent when God gave us life to be vi-brant
- 5 How can we be si-lent when we yearn to sing new songs? In our

- 1 jus-tice to the na-tions, breath-ing love to all the earth?
- 2 come a-gain in glo-ry, end-ing suf-fer-ing and strife?
- 3 im-age of Lord Je-sus, who has stooped to wash our feet?
- 4 in-stru-ments of wor-ship, made to laugh and dance and sing?
- 5 hearts a fire is burn-ing and it will not be ig-nored!

Refrain*

None can stop the Spir-it burn-ing now in-side us. We will shape the

fu-ture. We will not be si-lent!

*May be sung as a canon.

Text: Michael Mahler
Music: Michael Mahler

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103 Why should I feel discouraged

SPARROW 76. 76. 76. 77 extended with refrain

10
2
1/2
4
5
16
1/6
8
1/8
19
19
9

1 Why should I feel dis - cour - aged, why should the shad - ows
 2 "Let not your heart be trou - bled," his ten - der word I
 3 When ev - er I am tempt - ed, when ev - er clouds a -

come, why should my heart be lone - ly, and
 hear, and rest - ing on his good - ness, I
 rise, when songs give place to sigh - ing when

long for heav'n and home; when Je - sus is my
 lose my doubts and fears; though by the path he
 hope with - in me dies, I draw the clos - er

por - tion? My con - stant friend is he: his
 lead - eth, but one step I may see; his
 to him, from care he sets me free; his

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 Music: Charles H. Gabriel
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eye is on the spar - row, and I know he watch - es

me; his eye is on the spar - row, and I

Refrain

know he watch - es me. I sing be - cause I'm

hap - py, I sing be - cause I'm free; for his

eye is on the spar - row, and I know he watch - es me.

706 O Healing River

HEALING RIVER Irregular

Capo 3: (C) Eb (G) Bb (C) Eb (G) Bb (C) Eb

*Echo**

1 O heal - ing riv - er, (O heal - ing riv - er) send down your
 2 This land is parch - ing, this land is
 3 Let the seed of free - dom a - wake and

wa - ters, send down your wa - ters
 burn - ing, no seed is grow - ing
 flour - ish, let the deep roots nour - ish,

up - on this land. O heal - ing
 in the bar - ren ground. O heal - ing
 let the tall stalks rise. O heal - ing

riv - er, send down your wa - ters, and wash the
 riv - er, send down your wa - ters, O heal - ing
 riv - er, send down your wa - ters, O heal - ing

blood from off the sand.
 riv - er, send your wa - ters down.
 riv - er, from out of the skies.

*An echo can be sung after each phrase.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Executive Council would like to have a short congregational information/discussion meeting regarding:
 COVID 19 plans
 Government support funds
 Committee highlights
 Verbal Financial update
 Perhaps other items

Meeting is planned for **Sunday October 3rd** via Zoom, beginning @ 1:30 P.M. and planning to be done in 60 to 75 minutes

Children's Sunday School Orientation: If you're interested in teaching Sunday School this year, or want to learn more about how the program will work this year, please join Steve and Christy after the worship service today for an overview of the plan. This is an important time to cover COVID precautions, program changes, and

our new schedule. We also want to hear any suggestions or comments you have. We look forward to seeing you then!

***Thank-you from RJC!** We are thrilled with the support we have received from alumni, friends, and church constituents as we begin a new school year. We are happy to once again report an increase in student enrollment. Please continue to pray for RJC students and staff.

RJC call for host families. Are you interested in supporting RJC in a new way? We are currently looking for host families for international students during closed dorm weekends and extended holidays. If you are interested in this opportunity or would like to know more, please email deansoffice@rjc.sk.ca.

RJC Opening Program, Wednesday, September 22 at 7:00pm. Join us at RJC as we begin the start of a new school year. Call (306) 232-4222 if you have any questions

***MCC Connects:** Thank you to all those who responded to our request and contributed notebooks and funds for our school kits! Hundreds of notebooks were donated which allows us to complete kits needed for our next shipment. Additionally, over \$800 was donated which will cover the costs of 100 more school kits. These kits provide supplies for kids affected by disaster and conflict around the world. Thank you!

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 **TODAY'S** 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.

Sept.10 Friday 6:30pm-8:30pm - OMC Youth Night

Our opening youth night will be a time where we play games, pray, eat a snack (if outside), create a youth covenant, and talk about our time together the coming year! We have made the choice to have everybody wear masks for our youth events for the time being including our outside events.

MC Sask Updates:

***Rosthern Mennonite Church is celebrating the installation of Andrea Enns-Gooding as their pastor** on Sunday, September 12 at 10:00 am. We wish them God's blessings as they begin this journey together. If you would like to send greetings please email Ryan Siemens at minister@mcsask.ca

***You are invited to a Communion service on Monday, Sept 20 at Mount Royal Mennonite Church at 7:00 am.** On this election day we renew our commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord, a commitment that transcends political parties and ideologies. While this does not absolve us from robust participation in our democratic processes, such an act reminds us where the church fits into God's purposes. This service is being planned by the four MC Sask congregations in Saskatoon but all are welcome to attend. Masks are required

Shekinah is looking for both a head cook and a hospitality manager. Please contact the Shekinah office or email at director@shekinah.ca.

Shekinah's water source is no longer viable. As we look at permanent solutions, we realize that we will have to haul water in the interim. We are currently looking for either a flat deck trailer / water tank combination or a water truck of some sort. If you have any leads or suggestions, please contact director@shekinah.ca.

***Save the date? Gathering 2022 in Edmonton**

We Declare: What We Have Seen and Heard is the theme for MC Canada's Gathering 2022 in Edmonton, July 29 to August 1.