



Osler Mennonite Church

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

September 13, 2026

Exodus

Prelude

Welcome/Land Appreciation/Announcements

Call to Worship: *inspired by Psalm 105*

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord; call on their name;
make known their deeds among the peoples.

Congregation: *Sing to them, sing praises to God;
tell of all God's wonderful works.*

Leader: The Lord made their people very fruitful
and made them stronger than their foes,

Congregation: *Their foes hated them, and dealt with them harshly*

Leader: So God brought the people out with joy,

Congregation: *The chosen ones were brought out with singing.*

Invocation

Gathering Hymns: VT #606 **Guide Me, O thou Great Jehovah**
VT #734 **For Those with Whom**
Our Lives Are Bound

First Reading: Exodus 1:6-14

Then Joseph died, and all his brothers, and that whole generation. But the Israelites were fruitful and prolific; they multiplied and grew exceedingly strong, so that the land was filled with them.

Now a new king arose over Egypt who did not know Joseph. He said to his people, "Look, the Israelite people are more numerous and more powerful than we. Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, or they will increase and, in the event of war, join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." Therefore they set taskmasters over them to oppress them with forced labor. They built supply cities, Pithom and Rameses, for Pharaoh. But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and spread, so that the Egyptians came to dread the

Israelites. The Egyptians subjected the Israelites to hard servitude and made their lives bitter with hard servitude in mortar and bricks and in every kind of field labor. They were ruthless in all the tasks that they imposed on them.

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 the farmers hoping to get their crops harvested

-for Sandra M. recovering from surgery

-for Lynette's Dad, Walter Neufeld who's in hospital

Prayer for the Church:

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

Hymn: VT #546 There Is a Line of Women

Second Reading: Exodus 1:15-22

The king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, "When you act as midwives to the Hebrew women and see them on the birthstool, if it is a son, kill him, but if it is a daughter, she shall live." But the midwives feared God; they did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but they let the boys live. So the king of Egypt summoned the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this and allowed the boys to live?" The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women, for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." So God dealt well with the midwives, and the people multiplied and became very strong. And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families.

Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every son that is born to the Hebrews you shall throw into the Nile, but you shall let every daughter live."

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 #148 In Words of Truth

Sermon: The Exodus, Part I

Hymn: VT #535 Today We Sing with Thankfulness

Benediction:

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

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

TODAY Sept 13

Speaker: Luke Bushman Worship Leader: Henry Funk

Song Leader: Michelle Accompanist: Naomi

Story: Luke Sound: Stephanie Ushers: Lanae/Carl

Offering Counter Team: Lloyd/Kevin

Yard Maintenance for Sept 14 – 18 – Charlie Clark and family

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

Friday 10:00 am Coffee Time with staff

Brad's Week: usual work days are Mon, Wed. and Fri. but not necessarily in the office – he may be out visiting, If you'd like a visit, please call him @ 306-361-0601

Luke's Week: Mon/Tues RJC Retreat; Wed. OMC office; Thurs. NPMC kids clubs; Fri. OMC office; Sat: Tree planting/Mega Menno; Sun. NPMC church

Sept Birthdays: 8 – Dick Braun; 12 – Cornie Guenther (86); 12 – Jacqueline Funk; 14- Mark Bigland-Pritchard; 17 – Adeline Cox; 18 – Anna Peters (82); 18 – Brad Schroeder

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"We are looking for 1-2 people willing to serve as Ushers during Sunday morning worship services. Volunteers are generally scheduled twice in an 8-week span. If you are willing to serve in this way, please speak to any member of the Worship Committee which includes Brad, Dave, Ben, Chris, Nora. Thank you."

TODAY: Sept 13th Coffee/Snack time will be a wedding shower for Vanessa and Griffin. Please sign the card in the foyer. Gifts are welcome – you may wish to contribute to a communal cash gift on the day of.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Financial update: We have completed the financial reports for the church up to July 2026 which is 58% of our year. In that time, donations are behind the budgeted amount by \$8,000 or 4% of budget. Our expenses are over budget by about 2%, leaving us with a deficit of approximately \$22,000. Financial statements have been distributed by email, and you can see Kathy for paper copies. Thank you for your continued support of the OMC budget!

New address for Zoe Schellenberg:

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Regina Sask S4S 0A2
Ph: (306) 916-8282 zoe@schellenbergs.ca

Forever in motion, a physical activity program geared for older adults, will begin September 16. This drop-in class begins at 10:00 am and runs every Wednesday & Friday until April. **Staying on Your Feet**, a program aimed at improving your balance will begin September 15. This 12-week course that is intended for weekly attendance, runs from 9:30 – 11:00 am each Tuesday. It will cover various topics and feature guest speakers. All sessions are led by persons with Leader's Certificates from the Saskatoon Health Region. Both classes are free to attend at the Osler Community Hall. Check the posters on the bulletin board for more details.

MCC Connects: The MCC Saskatchewan Annual General Meeting is on Wednesday, Sep 23 at 6:30-9 pm. This meeting will be hosted over Zoom to accommodate participation from across the province. You may register for the AGM, as a guest or church delegate, by visiting mcc.org/events/mcc-saskatchewan-agm, calling the MCC office at 306-665-2555, or emailing saskoffice@mccsk.ca. We will look back over the activities and financial realities of the 2025-2026 year in Saskatchewan and share glimpses of MCC's international work through Learning Tour stories from Cambodia, Kenya, Malawi, and Uganda.

MC SASK Updates:

Where's Len this week? This week Doug Klassen, Executive Minister, Mennonite Church Canada, is visiting from Winnipeg. Len and Doug will be having meetings and also visit with some constituents of MC Sask. Please remember to pray for the work of MC Canada and the broader church. (New)

Nutana Park Mennonite Church is starting their Kids Club and Choir program on September 10th. It runs Thursday evenings from 7:00-8:15 at Nutana Park Mennonite Church, and is for kids in grades 2-6. There is a short peace lesson, choir singing and then the grades are divided up for various activities. The activities are crafts, cooking, textiles and woodworking. It costs \$50 per registration. To register please visit the online form here: [NPMC Kids' Club and Choir 2026-2027 – Fill in form](#)

We are also looking for helpers at the various activities. Activity leaders can plan the curriculum and lead, but we need helpers particularly in textiles and the kitchen. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Luke Bushman (oslermcpastor2@gmail.com)

Mega Menno - Join us on **September 19th from 4 -7 pm in Drake at North Star Mennonite Church** as we kick off another year of Mega Menno events. We are starting this year off with one of our favourites, Menno Run. The town-wide game of pretending to be fleeing Menno's while finding safe houses and avoiding the captors. Carpooling will be available and arranged with your local youth Pastors or leaders. Don't forget to bring \$5 for pizza.

All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome to join in!

Register online at <https://mcsask.ca/youthcomingevents>

Call to Prayer for Peace—an Interfaith Service:

Sunday, September 20, 7:00 pm at Wildwood Mennonite

The tragic conflicts this year in Gaza, West Bank, Lebanon, and Iran have overwhelmed us with their immense human cost. But violence also rages in the Ukraine, Sudan, and many other places, even in our land and in our communities. We join in solidarity as people of faith from different religious traditions to pray for peace throughout the world. We need each other. We lament the destruction. We pray for God's peace and justice because we have not been able to solve this by ourselves. Join us as we as we remember those who are suffering and pray for peace in the places of conflict.

Save the Date! Wildwood Mennonite Church 50th Anniversary //

October 16-18, 2026 // To honour 50 years of being WMC, the church is planning a celebration weekend! This will be a weekend to share stories and memories and join together in worship.

MC Sask's CERT (Climate Emergency Response Team) is sponsoring a TREE PLANTING event September 19. Tree seedlings which are native to this region will be harvested from local properties and transplanted into a river lot at Fish Creek. Please join us as we strive to care for creation through biodiversity, wildlife habitat and carbon capture. The day will begin at Seagar Wheeler farm east of Rosthern at 8:30 a.m. With freshly excavated miniature trees and a 45-minute trip to Fish Creek, we will transplant these trees. All are invited to share in a wiener roast before getting on with the day. ***Matthew Braun of Osler*** will lead us in this adventure. Call Cynthia at MCSask (306 249-4844) indicating your interest. Claire Ewert Fisher will follow up with details as they develop.

Project Ploughshares, originally begun by a Mennonite and a Quaker, is turning 50 this year, and is inviting worshipping communities to join them on Monday, September 21, 2026, 6:00 pm at Federation Hall, University of Waterloo. This Gala fundraiser will include a dinner and a keynote from the honourable Lloyd Axworthy. This fundraiser will support the continuation of our important work for global peace, needed now more than ever. Tickets are \$70 and can be purchased online or by contacting our office at 1-888-907-3223 or email plough@ploughshares.ca

The ongoing devastation of Gaza reminds us to pray and work for healing and justice where the wars of adults have traumatized children and fed cycles of revenge and hate. Since October 7, 2023, some 21,000 children in Gaza have perished from Israeli bombs and snipers, and from blocked access to food and medical care. Tens of thousands of others have been injured. In the initial Palestinian militant attacks and Israeli response, some 50 Israeli children were also killed, and others kidnapped. For more information and an opportunity to sign a parliamentary petition, visit MC Canada Palestine/Israel Network at <https://mennonitechurch.ca/pin>

CALENDAR

Sun. Sept 13 – 10:00 am Luke Bushman preaching

11:00 Vanessa Stefaniuk Bridal shower

Noon – Semi-annual mtg (Pizza lunch provided)

Sun. Sept 20 – 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching

11:10 am Sunday School begins for all classes

Noon - "Kick off to Fall" POTLUCK Group A-B

Sun. Sept 27 – 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching

Good Morning, Osler Mennonite Church,

We are reaching out on behalf of the Osler Events Committee. We're getting ready for Osler's first Hometown Harvest Festival on Saturday, October 3rd at Memorial Park, and we'd love to get people from all across our community involved!

As part of the festival, we're hosting some fun Hometown Harvest competitions, including a Chili Cook-Off, Pie Bake-Off, Homemade Preserves Competition, Largest Pumpkin Competition, and our Harvest Pet Parade.

We thought there might be some talented bakers, cooks, gardeners, canners, or proud pet owners in your congregation who would have a lot of fun joining in! Everything is free to enter, there are prizes to be won, and most importantly, we're hoping to create a fun, wholesome day that brings our community together.

Would you be willing to help us spread the word by putting up the attached flyer at the church, including it in your church newsletter or bulletin, or simply passing it along to your congregation? We would really appreciate the help getting the word out!

Registration is open now and closes September 30th. Anyone interested can email oslereventscommittee@gmail.com to sign up.

And who knows... maybe we'll even see a little friendly competition between our local churches! 😊

Thank you so much for helping us spread the word. We hope to see you and your church families at the Hometown.

From the Town of Osler/Events Committee

See bulletin board for the poster.

NEXT SUNDAY – Sept 20

Speaker: Brad Schroeder Worship Leader: George Janzen

Song Leader: Ben, Kathryn Accompanist: Lynette

Story: Lynette Sound: Benjamin Ushers: Lanae/Carl

Offering Counter Team: Susan/Loretta

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