



# 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

April 14, 2024

*Third Sunday of Easter*

**Prelude**

**Welcome/Land Acknowledgement/Announcements**

**Call to Worship**

Leader: How very good and pleasant it is  
when kindred live together in unity!

**People: It is like the precious oil on the head,  
running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron,  
running down over the collar of his robes.**

Leader: It is like the dew of Hermon,  
which falls on the mountains of Zion.

*All: For there the Lord ordained the blessing, life forevermore.*

**Prayer of Invocation**

**Hymns of Praise: VT #98 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise  
VT #682 Lord, Listen to Your Children**

**First Reading: Acts 3:12-19**

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, "Fellow Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham and Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the holy and righteous one and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

“And now, brothers and sisters, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent, therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out,

**Children’s Gathering Song: Today Earth is Singing VT #510**  
**Story for All Ages: Luke – *Loose change Sunday***

**Offering Prayer/Music for Meditation**

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

**Prayers** – Patty preaching at Warman Mennonite

- Ben’s recovery from knee replacement surgery
- others with health concerns

**Thanksgiving** - March 19 one truckload of emergency food made it into Gaza, the first of six planned truckloads of aid from MCC. Please pray for MCC Jordan reps Seth Malone and Sarah Funkhouser working with Gaza partners Nader Amsha and Rev. Donald Binder in their overwhelming task of aid delivery.

**Hymn: VT #625      Far Above the Noise of Life**

**Second Reading:** 1 John 3:1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God, and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God’s children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous

**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 #137      Heilig, heilig, heilig**

**Sermon:      Let's Stay Together**

**Hymn: VT #517      Children of the Heavenly Father**

**Benediction:** As water falls on dry tea leaves and brings out their flavor, so may your Spirit fall on us and renew us so we may bring refreshment and joy to others. Amen.

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

**TODAY'S WORSHIP    April 14    *Third Sunday of Easter***

Speaker: Luke Bushman      Worship Leader: Youth with Luke

Song Leader: Kevin      Accompanist: Melanie

Story: Luke-Loose change    Sound: Keri/James    Ushers: Lloyd/Harold

Sunday School Leader: Kathryn, Helpers: Eli, Dylan

Offering Counter Team: Sandra MacArthur, John Reddekopp

Loose Change counting: Kathy Braun, Shelley Penner

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

**Pickle ball:** Wednesdays at 12:30 p.m.

**Coffee** at the office on Friday @ 10:00 am

**Patty's Week:** Today Warman Mennonite; Weds. Office; Fri. Office

**Luke's Week:** Wed. Office Hours - Prep Work; Thurs. Work from Home; Fri. Office Hours, Mega Menno; Sat. Planning for NPMC; Sun. At Nutana

**Birthdays:** 15 – Julie Bergen; 18 – Garry Boldt; 18 – James Tataryn

**Gathering Room Coffee Schedule:** April 14 – Louise & Wilf  
April 21 - ??

**NEXT SUNDAY      April 21      *Fourth Sunday of Easter***

Speaker: Patty Friesen      Worship Leader: Henry Funk

Song Leaders: Loretta, Kathryn      Accompanist: Naomi

Story: Wilf      Sound: Stephanie      Ushers: Lloyd/Harold

Sunday School Leader: Loretta, Helpers: Bree, Olivia

Offering Counter Team: Jim Dyck, Stephanie Siemens

## CALENDAR

**Sun. Apr. 14 10:00 am Luke Bushman speaking**

11:00 am Forum MCC – Women Will Renew

12:00 Second Sunday Lunch Bunch (for all) at Backroom of the Osler Restaurant

**Sun. Apr. 21 10:00 am Patty Friesen speaking**

12:00 am Worship mtg Patty's office

**Sun. Apr. 28 10:00 am Patty Friesen speaking *Earth Day***

**From the Deacons:** Feeling God's poke this Easter season? Please join a **baptism or church membership conversation** with Luke or Patty or one of the deacons.

**Centering Prayer** Sundays 9:15 Room 3 for a 20-minute way of calming down from hectic weeks

**Please join** recorded Nutana Park Adult Education on MAiD with the links and codes below. April 7 class with Dr. Corey Neudorf and Dr. Linda Harley. The code to get into the "congregant's side" is the following...npmcaccess2020. Recorded link for the Adult Ed MAiD Session: <https://youtube.com/live/v7VBZLQoQ5A?feature=share>.

**Earth Sunday, April 21, 11:00 Youth SS with OMC Green Energy Enthusiasts.** If you walk/cycle to work, hang out laundry, shop local or thrift, garden, recycle, own solar panels or an EV - please come to Youth SS, 11:00 on Earth Sunday, April 21 to share with us about what you are doing for the earth.

**Shekinah summer camp** OMC week of July 7- 12<sup>th</sup> is shaping up!

The Team will be Luke as Camp Pastor, Kitchen volunteers will be Lloyd and Loretta, Pastor Patty and Edna Zacharias.

This does not mean they will turn away any other volunteers that would like to join in on the fun - *even for half a day!*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MCC Connects:** Starting April 22, MCC will be running a ten-week peer-support group called *You are Not Alone* for women who have experienced abuse in intimate relationships. This will be offered as a hybrid program, participants can meet either over Zoom or in person in Saskatoon for empowering discussions and to receive resources to assist in the healing process. For more information, please contact Heather at [heatherpeters@mccsk.ca](mailto:heatherpeters@mccsk.ca) or 306-665-2555

MCC will be including local artisans at this year's Relief Sale Festival on Saturday, June 15. If you would like to sell your goods, tables are available to purchase for \$100 and all proceeds of sales will go to the artisan. For more information, please contact Rick and Marg Epp at [mepp@sasktel.net](mailto:mepp@sasktel.net) or call the MCC office at 306-665-2555. We hope to see you there!

**RJC is hiring for the position of Music Director!** The Music Director (1.0 FTE), along with the Principal and President, is responsible for the overall implementation of the curricular and extracurricular music and performing arts program at RJC High School. The Music Director will work closely with other staff members in the pursuit of the school's mission and development through music and the performing arts. To read the full job description or to apply, visit [rjc.sk.ca](http://rjc.sk.ca) or contact Ryan Wood at [ryan@rjc.sk.ca](mailto:ryan@rjc.sk.ca).

**RJC at CAMS National Music Festival in Winnipeg | Gala Concert - Sunday, April 21 at 3:00pm, Jubilee Place (MBCI).** Watch livestream of concert at <https://www.youtube.com/@mennonitebrethrencollegiat1882>

*“The Mennonite Nursing Home is glad to announce that we will be hosting our Annual May Day Tea and Cake Walk Fundraiser on Thursday, May 9th, 2024 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 outdoor furniture for our resident courtyards. Everyone is welcome!”*

If your church is interested, you can also donate a cake for our cakewalk. Cakes can be dropped off at the Nursing Home on the day of the Tea before 2:00 pm.

### **MC Updates:**

**Thursday, April 25, 6-8 pm – Join us at Rosthern Mennonite Church** (3016 5th Street in Rosthern) **for a dessert buffet.** Choose from many delicious desserts, including gluten-free options. Hosted by Eigenheim Mennonite Church. Admission by donation. Proceeds will provide support for refugee families. (new)

### **Want to travel to Germany in 2025??**

**MC Canada** is looking for 5 young adults (one per region) interested in representing us at the Mennonite World Conference Global Youth Summit in Germany from May 30 – June 1, 2025. Application deadline

is April 15! Contact [youthminister@mcsask.ca](mailto:youthminister@mcsask.ca) for more information, and to apply go to <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/article/44786>

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**In mid-April**, MC Canada International Witness partner Tom Poovong and two Thai ministry partners are traveling throughout Saskatchewan. Come hear stories of their creative, lively ministry in Thailand, and come share your stories about living Anabaptist faith here in Saskatchewan at one of the following events. For more details, contact Josh Wallace at [churchengagement@mcsask.ca](mailto:churchengagement@mcsask.ca).

April 16 - 2 p.m. - Sharing @ Eigenheim MC

April 17 - 1-3 p.m. - Pastors Gathering @ MCC in Saskatoon

April 18 - 2 p.m. - Sharing @ Bethany Manor

April 19 - 2 p.m. - Sharing @ Rosthern MC

- 7 p.m. - Mega Menno Party with the Poovongs @ Mount Royal MC (youth)

April 20 - 2-4 p.m. - Thai Stories, Snacks, & Songs at First MC

April 21 - 11 a.m. - Worship @ Eyebrow MC

**Micah Mission** is an ecumenical restorative justice organization in Saskatoon. We work to transform the lives of incarcerated and formerly incarcerated individuals. This Easter season remember those affected by our justice system as Jesus did upon the cross during the crucifixion by participating in our Remember Me Campaign on Sunday April 28. This campaign is an opportunity for individuals or families to simply contribute \$5 towards our ministry so that we can continue providing our programs and services. Learn more: [the.micahmission.org](http://the.micahmission.org)

**Sunday, May 5th is Red Dress Day** across Canada, a day to name violence against Indigenous Women and Girls - and commit to the ending cycles of gender-based violence in our communities. CommonWord has curated worship and learning resources (<https://www.commonword.ca/go/3877>) for the church that can be used May 5th or any time of the year.

**Let's Get Dirty: The Lowdown on Earth's Fabric** in your own Yard – a Face2Face panel discussion on Tuesday, April 16 at 7:00 PM at CMU and via livestream. Hear from scientists, researchers, and farmers about the untapped potential that's in your very own yard. Visit [cmu.ca/face2face](https://cmu.ca/face2face)

**All are invited to Spring** at CMU on Friday, April 26 at 7:00 PM in the Loewen Athletic Centre. Attend in person or via livestream to hear graduating student presentations and CMU choirs. Reception to follow. Visit [cmu.ca/springatcmu](https://cmu.ca/springatcmu) for more information and for the event livestream. (new)

**Join the CMU team** – CMU invites inquiries and applications for a Residence Director (full-time, salaried with benefits) as well as other opportunities in Student Life, Enrolment, and Human Resources. Visit [cmu.ca/employment](https://cmu.ca/employment) for details on this and other employment opportunities.

**Watch for opportunities** to meet Mennonite Church Canada Witness worker, Tom Poovong, together with Thai colleagues, Pastor Khamphan and Pastor Thipphawan in Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta during the month of April. Pray for the relationships being built and connections made in this travel. Contact your regional church for more details. View greetings from Pastor Khamphan here: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1DjFC7y1UGA7YXB9VC9u80YeAwbOON9Uo/view?usp=sharing>(new)

**April 21-28 is Earth Week 2024** – Let's get on the map! MC Canada partner in climate action – For the Love of Creation – has invited us to join a nation-wide movement through local actions across the country to pray, learn, and act! Learn more: <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/article/44769> (new)

**2024 marks a significant milestone in CommonWord's history** – it was 50 years ago, in 1974, that the Conference of Mennonites in Canada hired its first Resource Centre staff person. Dan Dyck has written a short historical paper to recognize 50+ years of service. Read the paper – <https://www.commonword.ca/go/3828>

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