



Osler Mennonite Church

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

July 17, 2022

Mary and Martha

**Gathering Hymns: VT #9 “Come Away from Rush and Hurry”
VT #76 “Holy, Holy, Holy”**

Welcome and Call to Worship:

L: Life-giving God, may your Holy Spirit inspire our praise
and our prayers.

**C: Open our hearts and minds to your presence among us
and within us.**

L: Come alive in our words and actions as we worship.

**C: To you alone belongs all praise and honour and glory and
blessing. Now and to the end of time. Amen.**

Prayer of Invocation:

Our lives are cluttered, O Christ, by too many things and too much to do. We are driven by the need to succeed and distracted by our service. We have often lost our way. Forgive us. Let us, like Mary, find the one thing that is needed and sit at your feet. Amen.

Epistle Reading: Colossians 1:15-23

Christ is the image of the unseen God and the firstborn of all creation, for in Christ were created all things in heaven and on earth: everything visible and invisible, Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers - all things were created through Christ and for Christ.

Before anything was created, Christ existed, and all things hold together in Christ. The church is the body; Christ is its head. Christ is the Beginning, the firstborn from the dead, and so Christ is first in every way. God wanted all perfection to be found in Christ, and all things to be reconciled to God through Christ - everything in heaven and everything on earth - when Christ made peace by dying on the cross. At one time,

you were alienated from God by the way you thought and the evil things you did. But now you are reconciled in Christ's mortal body through death, so that you can now stand before God holy, pure and blameless - provided you persevere and stand firm on the solid base of your faith. Never let yourselves drift away from the hope promised by the Good News that you have heard, which even now is being preached to the whole human race, and for which I, Paul, was made a minister.

Children's Gathering Song: This Little Light of Mine

Children's Time: Patty Friesen

Offering Prayer/Music for Meditation

Sharing and Praying for the Work of the Church

-this week's campers

-youth/Dayna/Matthew/Alex going to *Amplify Youth Assembly* (Camp Valaqua)

-Jake going to *We Declare Adult Assembly* (Edmonton)

Prayer of the Church

Hymn: VT #225 "We Come"

Gospel Reading: Luke 10:38-42

As they traveled, Jesus entered a village where a woman named Martha welcomed him to her home. She had a sister named Mary, who seated herself at Jesus' feet and listened to his words. Martha, who was busy with all the details of hospitality, came to Jesus and said, "Rabbi, don't you care that my sister has left me all alone to do the household tasks? Tell her to help me!" Jesus replied, "Martha, Martha! You're anxious and upset about so many things, but only a few things are necessary - really only one. Mary has chosen the better part, and she won't be deprived of it."

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 #527 "Bless the Arms That Comfort"

Sermon: Mary and Martha: Doing and Doing Nothing

Hymn: VT #536 "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

Benediction: I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn and sad. I found in him my resting place and he has made me glad! After sitting in the peace and presence of Christ, go to love and serve others.

TODAY'S WORSHIP July 17

Speaker: Patty Friesen Worship Leader: Patty
Song Leaders: Kathryn, Ben Accompanist: Lynette
Children's Time: Patty Sound: ??? Ushers: Bill & Dick

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

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

Patty's Weeks: Tues. sermon; Weds. Office/search comm; Fri. Office/YFBC

Nora's Week: will be back in the office July 20th.

Birthdays this week: 19-John Reddekopp, 20-Katherine Penner, 22-Torben Sjoelin, 23-Diana Buhler

Church Yard Maintenance: Garry Boldt and family

NEXT SUNDAY WORSHIP July 24

Speaker: Campers/Patty Worship Leader: Dave Feick
Song Leaders: Michelle Accompanist: Naomi
Children's Time: Kathy Sound: Stephanie Ushers: Harold & Lloyd

OMC CALENDAR

July 17 10:00 am Patty Friesen *Mary and Martha*

July 24 10:00 am Farewell Service for Pastor Nora

July 31 10:00 am Stories & Songs

Aug 7 10:00 am Patty Friesen

Announcements

*TODAY - Mennonite Church Canada shares worship services this summer - **Sterling Mennonite Fellowship** (Winnipeg, MB) invites our nation-wide community to join us for worship on July 17 at 10am CDT (11 a.m. EDT). Doug Klassen (Executive Minister of MC Canada) will be our guest speaker and will focus on Exodus 3. The live-stream of their service is available on Sunday, July 17 at 9 a.m. at <https://mennonitechurch.ca/worshipservices> and will remain after that time for your viewing convenience.

July 23, Saturday 5-9 pm BBQ & Outdoor Concert at the Osler Park. **Concert for Kids** featuring Faith Gaertner (nee Neudorf). Concert by donation – \$10 for the meal. Bring your own chair or blanket for seating.

***Sunday, August 28**, 10:00 a.m. End of Summer Joint Worship Service with Aberdeen, Langham, Osler and Warman Mennonite Churches at the Buhler yard – first left after railroad tracks west of Osler Township Rd 393. Curtis Wiens will lead an impromptu men's choir with one rehearsal at 9:30 (Music on the lobby table). Communion will be served. Bring lawn chairs and picnicware and stay for a sandwich/salad/square potluck.

***MCC Connects:** MCC Thrift is celebrating 50 years! Come celebrate this major milestone at the Warman Thrift Shop on Friday, July 22nd as we host a Mini Carnival. The carnival will take place beside the store from 11am-3pm (store is open 10am-4pm). There will be a concession and some great in-store specials. Carnival games are free, and your kids will love it!

***Grow Hope:** Thank you for the 143 acres that have been sponsored to date! All 300 available acres were seeded into near ideal conditions and have received timely rainfall. The crops this year are lentils, wheat, canola, and oats. They are all looking very healthy at this time. As the world becomes aware of the global food crises we are entering, we can be very grateful for these conditions. Finally, another Field Day!

Save the Date: Sunday August 7 - we are excited to be a part of the annual Cherry Festival in Bruno, SK. This will be a chance to highlight the project, visit one of the fields and meet one of the farmers, Brian and Michelle Hergott.

Shekinah Summer Camp is starting, and we need your help. For information about what's going on and how you can help, go to <https://shekinah.ca/news/2022/help-support-shekinah-summer-camp>

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