



# Osler Mennonite Church

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

November 17, 2024

## Second Sunday of Peace

### Prelude

### Welcome/Land Appreciation/Announcements

**Call to Worship:** Psalm 16 – David’s song of trust in God

L: Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the Lord,  
“You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.”

As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble ones in whom is all my delight.

**C: Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows;  
their drink offerings I will not pour out or take their names  
upon my lips. The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup;  
you hold my lot.**

L: The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;  
I have a goodly heritage. I bless the Lord, who gives me counsel;  
in the night also my heart instructs me.  
I keep the Lord always before me;  
because the Lord is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

**C: Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices;  
my body also rests secure. For you do not give me up to Sheol  
or let your faithful one see the Pit.**

*All: You show me the path of life.*

*In your presence there is fullness of joy;  
in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

### Prayer of Invocation

**Hymns of Praise: VT #706 O Healing River**

**VT #485 Put Peace into Each Other’s Hands**

**First Reading:** 1 Samuel 2:1-10. Hannah's Magnificat.

Hannah prayed and said, "My heart exults in the Lord; my strength is exalted in my God. My mouth derides my enemies because I rejoice in your victory. There is no Holy One like the Lord, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God. Talk no more so very proudly; let not arrogance come from your mouth, for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by God actions are weighed. The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength. Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil. The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn. The Lord kills and brings to life; brings down to Sheol and raises up. The Lord makes poor and makes rich; brings low; and also exalts. God raises up the poor from the dust; and lifts the needy from the ash heap to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honour. For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and on them has set the world. God will guard the feet of the faithful ones, but the wicked will perish in darkness, for not by might does one prevail. God's adversaries will be shattered; the Most High will thunder in heaven. The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; will give strength to the chosen one and exalt the power of the anointed."

**Children's Gathering Song: Today Earth is Singing**

**Story for All Ages:** Kaytee Edwards-Buhler

**Loose Change**

**Offering Prayer/Music for Meditation**

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

**Prayers** – peace in anxious times

-for Frieda's upcoming surgery (Nov 21)

**Thanksgiving** –

**Candle Prayers for our inner desires and peace of the world**

**Hymn: VT #712      Beauty for Brokenness**

**Gospel Reading:** Luke 10:25-37 The Parable of the Good Samaritan

An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord

your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself.” And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.”

But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

**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 #789      Be a Sower**

**Sermon:      Who is My Neighbour?**

**Hymn: VT #805      Peace, Salaam, Shalom**

**Benediction:** May God show us the path of life. May Christ lead us in it and may the Holy Spirit guide our steps. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

\*Our Services are all Streamed and Archived on-line.

**TODAY      Nov 17      Peace Sunday 2**

Speaker: Patty Friesen      Worship Leader: George Janzen  
Song Leaders: Ben, Kathryn, Anna      Accompanist: Lynette  
Story: Kaytee      Sound: Stephanie      Ushers: Susan/Dick  
Offering Counter Team: Susan Braun, Shelley Penner  
Sunday School Leaders: Karl, Eli, Dylan

**Office Hours:** 8:30 am – 12:30 pm Wednesday and Friday  
**Coffee** at the office on Friday @ 10:00 am – *note change to winter hrs.*

**Patty's Week:** Weds. no office, MC SK pm

**Luke's Week:** Mon. Council Mtg; Wed. OMC Office Hrs; Thurs.

KCC/Christmas Program Prep; Fri. NPMC Youth; Sat. OMC Youth

**Birthdays:** 18 – Sarah Guenther (84); 18 – Steve Guenther; 20 – Mika Schroeder; 22 – Lois Siemens

**Gathering Room Coffee Schedule:** Nov 17 - Anna/Wilf/Ruth

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Next Sunday:** Memorial Sunday with lighting candles for our loved ones who have died. For those on line or here in the sanctuary - if you would like Patty to say the name of your loved one and a deacon to light a candle for you - please let us know. Also next Sunday, deacons will be meeting with new members at 11:00 in Room 3 to share our faith stories - if anyone else is interested in joining the church through baptism or transfer of membership on Jan. 12 - please join us.

**Sunday, December 1** - *Sounds of Afghanistan* has been cancelled

**Upcoming Christmas Concerts with OMCers:**

*Please let us know what we have missed.*

**Sun. Dec. 1, 3:00 p.m.** Dayna with Golden Hour at A Very Shekinah Christmas, Shekinah Retreat Centre

**Sun. Dec. 8, 2:30 p.m.** Doug with Saskatoon Men's Chorus, Zion Lutheran Church at bottom of Broadway Bridge

**Fri. Dec. 13, 7:00 p.m.** Theresa, Lynette and Kathryn with Handel's Messiah, Knox United

**Sat. Dec. 14, 2:00 p.m.** Theresa, Lynette and Kathryn with Handel's Messiah Singalong, Knox United Sun.

**Dec. 15, 2:00 p.m.** Michelle with Saskatoon Chamber Singers, Knox United

Matthew, Lucy, Rhonda with Warman Community Band  
Anna, Lois, Lyle with Bethany Choir

**Tues. Jan. 7 @ 7 p.m.** OMC Book Club: Peace by Chocolate - books coming end of Nov. Contact Jan Guenther if questions. Zoom option available if weather bad.

**Sunday, January 12, 2025,** Baptism and new members There will be 4 joining OMC - others welcome too. Please talk to Luke or Patty.

Do you feel lost trying to navigate changes in your life? **Falling Upward: Life as a Spiritual Journey**, is an online course from the Center for Action and Contemplation, based on Richard Rohr's content on the concept of Falling Upward. It offers wisdom for transformation and self-discovery. Join us on Wednesday evenings at the church beginning October 23rd, at 7:00 pm, for this 15-week course and discover what it feels like when the soul finds its fullness. *Talk to Dave, Harold, or John G for further details.*


**MCC Connects:** Warm up for the winter and help support MCC's relief, development and peace work by participating in our quilt sale! Each of these beautiful quilts have been sewn by generous donors and starting Monday, November 18 you can explore the collection of quilts at this link: <http://www.mccskquiltsale.com>

### **MC Sask News:**

**A Very Shekinah Christmas Sunday, December 1 at 3 p.m.** Enjoy Christmas goodies and the beautiful harmonies of Golden Hour. Funds raised go towards the purchase of additional snow removal equipment (new)

**The fall 2024 MC Sask UPDATE is now available!** Get details about the MC Sask Town Hall Meetings happening this fall, transitions & staff updates, the Malipayon Peace Hub fundraising campaign and more! Go to <https://mcsask.ca/mcsaskupdate> for details!

**Wednesday, December 4 from 5:00-7:00, the Youth Farm Bible Camp** will be hosting their annual Christmas Fundraising Supper. Menu is Slow Roasted Beef and Turkey, Stuffing, Potatoes, Salad and all the fixings! Admission is by donation.

**The Youth Farm Bible** camp is asking for donations of used Christmas decorations, artificial trees , blacksmith items, antique bowls, vases, table wear, fabric materials, feed bags etc to help create a Bethlehem scene at our annual corn maze Christmas event in December. Contact Jacob at 306-212-0325 or [jacob@yfb.ca](mailto:jacob@yfb.ca) (updated)

**CMU Discover Weekend** – Do you live outside Winnipeg and want to learn more about CMU? Come to our Discover Weekend on November 28-30. You'll experience all the excitement of a Discover Day, plus two nights in residence and an off-campus excursion to get to know Winnipeg. Visit [cmu.ca/experience](http://cmu.ca/experience) for more information and to register.

**Christmas at CMU** Create your own concert by wandering CMU's heritage building while enjoying music by CMU ensembles, festive decor, cookies, and hot apple cider. Saturday, November 30 at 2:00 PM and 7:00 PM. Come early or stay late to visit our Christmas Market in Marpeck Commons featuring 20+ vendors and CommonWord's annual Christmas Sale. Market open from 1:00-7:00 PM. Visit [cmu.ca/christmas](http://cmu.ca/christmas) for details and livestream link.)

**Canadian Mennonite** seeks a new publisher to begin in spring 2025. For more info go to: <https://canadianmennonite.org/about-cm/employment-opportunities/> (new)

**Shekinah's firewood blitz:** Shekinah has deadfall! Do you have a chainsaw and friends that enjoy some spending a few hours out in the beautiful crisp fall air? Contact Kent at 306 945-4929 to let him know when you would like to come out and help prepare Shekinah for winter! (new)

**MC Canada Gathering 2025 | July 2-5 | Kitchener, ON** You're invited to the MC Canada Gathering next summer, where our theme, "Each Gift," celebrates the unique gifts each person brings. Rooted in 1 Peter 4:10, we'll explore how our diverse talents and perspectives enrich the ministry of an intercultural church. As followers of Jesus Christ, we'll come together as a nationwide community of faith to share, learn, and grow in the unique gifts God has given each of us. (new)

**"OMC Youth Fundraising:** Our OMC group trying to get to the MC Canada Nationwide Youth Gathering scheduled for July 2-5, 2025 at Conrad Grebel University College in Waterloo, ON. There will be two opportunities to help raise funds at the end of November.

1) The Osler Christmas Market. We have purchased a table at the Osler Christmas Market, taking place November 30th, from 10-2:30. If you have crafts, baking, or other goods we can sell at our booth we would appreciate contributions.

2) Gingerbread Auction. On December 1st, during our church potluck the youth group will be auctioning off hand crafted, artisanal gingerbread houses."

## Youth News

### November

**Friday 15th** Youth's Choice 7-9

**Saturday 23rd** Gingerbread Houses Pt. 2

**Saturday 30th** Christmas Market (10-2:30) and Handing Out Hot Chocolate (7-9:30)

### December

**Sunday 1st** Potluck and Gingerbread House Auction 12:00-1:00

**Saturday 7th** Mega Menno Christmas at OMC 7-9

**Tuesday/Wednesday 10th or 11th** Bethany Manor Serving

**Saturday 14th** OMC Youth Christmas Party 7-9

#### From the Trustees:

**Osler Mennonite Church** owns a *Maigropen* (Cauldron) that has been used by Ladies Aid groups for project such as making soap for MCC. Since it has not been used in the past 30 years it will now be offered for sale. The asking price is \$350. Church members will be given the first chance – this ad will be open for 10 days and then we might have a prospective buyer. If you are interest please contact Dick Braun ph 306-230-1071.

**Dead trees** have been cut from the North and East side of the church yard and some on the west side have been trimmed. More trees will come down in the spring.

**The installation** of the tank-less water heater is scheduled for Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>. The old one will be removed on the Thursday prior. If anyone is interested in the old water heater, please contact a Trustee – Garry Boldt, Lloyd, Dick or Bill.

**Other tasks** completed or being worked on: carpet cleaned in the Gathering Place; outdoor lighting repaired; drywall repair; plus other miscellas maintenance.

## CALENDAR

**Sun. Nov 17 – 10:00 am Patty Friesen**

11:11 Worship mtg Patty's office

**Mon. Nov 18 – 6:00 pm Exec mtg**

- 7:30 Council mtg

**Sun. Nov 24 – 10:00 am Patty Friesen**

11:11 am Deacon mtg

11:11 am Community Connections mtg

**Thurs. Nov 28 – 7:00 pm Hanging of the Greens**

**Sun. Dec 1 – 9:00 am Advent Choir practice**

**Sun. Dec 1 – 10:00 am Luke Bushman** Daniel in the Lion's Den

Noon Potluck – group M-Z helping

Gingerbread House Auction – for Youth Fundraiser

**NEXT SUNDAY Nov 24 Memorial Sunday**

Speaker: Patty Friesen Worship Leader: Terry Stefaniuk

Song Leaders: Ben, Kathryn, Lynette Accompanist: Naomi

Story: Lynette Sound: Benjamin Ushers: Bill/Anne

Offering Counter Team: Susan Braun, Loretta Sawatzky

Sunday School Leaders: Loretta, Zoe, Emmett

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