# **Osler Mennonite Church**

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

October 17, 2021

Our Inheritance: Honouring the Other

#### **Prelude**

#### Welcome/Announcements

### Call to Worship:

Because you have made me your refuge and have me as your stronghold, no evil will befall you, and no disaster will come near your tent. For I will command my angels to guard you wherever you go. They'll carry you in their hands so you don't hurt your foot on a stone.

You'll tread on the young lion as easily as one does a cobra; you'll trample down both lion and serpent. Because you love me, I will deliver you; I will rescue you because you acknowledge my Name. You will call upon me, and I will answer you; I will be with you in trouble; I will deliver you and honor you. I will satisfy you with a long life and show you my salvation."

#### **Prayer of Invocation**

Leader: Because you have made me your refuge and have me as your stronghold, no evil will befall you, and no disaster will come near your tent.

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#### Hymn of Praise: VT #

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 53:4-12 *Inclusive Bible translation*Yet you bore our illnesses and carried our suffering. We thought you were being punished, struck down by God, and brought low—but it was for our offenses that you were pierced, for our sins that you were crushed; upon you lies a chastening that brings us wholeness, and through your wounds we are healed. All of us, like sheep, have gone astray; each of us goes our own way. But YHWH has laid upon you the guilt of us all. Though treated harshly, you bore it humbly and never opened your mouth. Like a lamb being led to slaughter, or a sheep before shearers, you were silent and never opened your mouth. Seized by force and condemned, you were taken away; who would ever have foreseen your destiny? You were taken from the land of the living through the sin of my people, who deserved the punishment. You were buried with evildoers and entombed with the rich, though you had done no wrong, and deceit was not found in your mouth.

But YHWH chose to crush and afflict you; if you make yourself a reparation offering, you will see your descendants, you will prolong your days, and the will of YHWH will prevail through you. Through your suffering, you will see contentment and light. By your knowledge, my Righteous One, my Servant, you will justify many by taking their guilt upon yourself.

Therefore, I will grant you a reward among the great, and you will divide the spoils with the mighty; for you exposed yourself to death itself, and allowed yourself to be counted among criminals, while you bore the guilt of many and interceded for sinners."

**Children's Gathering Song**: VT #510 "Today Earth is Singing"

Today earth is singing with stars up above,

Our arms wide in welcome for God's gift of love;

We greet you, dear children, we're glad you are here;

Your newness renews us and heaven comes near.

Children's Time with Jake Buhler

### **Offering Prayer/Offertory**

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

- -Harry Martens home from hospital
- -Al-Nouris' medicals and long flight from Lebanon next week

condolence to the family of Bill Friesen at his passing on Oct 13 funeral here on Monday at 2 pm – also on Facebook

-prayers for Sarah, Charlie & family at the death of their friend Graham in Ontario

-Pastor Nora's sister's recovery

-John Gascho's dad Norman, in palliative care in an ON hospital

Hymn: VT#

Gospel Reading: Mark 10:35-45 Inclusive Bible version

Zebedee's children James and John approached Jesus. "Teacher," they said, "we want you to grant our request." "What is it?" Jesus asked. They replied, "See to it that we sit next to you, one at your right and one at your left, when you come into your glory." Jesus told them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup I will drink or be baptized in the same baptism as I?"

"We can," they replied. Jesus said in response, "From the cup I drink of, you will drink; the baptism I am immersed in, you will share. But as for sitting at my right or my left, that is not mine to give; it is for those to whom it has been reserved."

The other ten, on hearing this, became indignant at James and John. Jesus called them together and said, "You know how among the Gentiles those who exercise authority are domineering and arrogant; those 'great ones' know how to make their own importance felt. But it can't be like that with you. Anyone among you who aspires to greatness must serve the rest; whoever wants to rank first among you must serve the needs of all. The Promised One has come not to be served, but to serve—to give one life in ransom for the many."

## **Response to the Scripture:**

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#

**Sermon:** Our Inheritance: Honouring the Other

By Anita Retzlaff

Hymn: VT#

Benediction: VT# 1065

Whatever wilderness the Spirit

Has brought you to:

Walk in boldness,

As a beloved child of God;

Walk in peace,

Under the shelter of the Most High;

Walk in faith,

Knowing Christ walks with you.

Amen

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We welcome Anita Retzlaff to speak this morning. Anita is a retired minister of Nutana Park Mennonite Church and a mentor to Pastor Nora. Anita is married to Ken Warkentin and has two adult children.

#### **TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM**

Speaker: Anita Retzlaff Worship Leader: Julie Bergen

Song Leaders: Kathryn, Ben Accompanist: Naomi

Children's Time: Jake Buhler Sound: Doug Usher: Susan

Kids Sunday School Teachers: Loretta & Karl

**Patty's Week:** Sun off, Mon. funeral, worship Zoom; Weds. Office, exec, council; Fri. office, visit; Oct. 23-27: Winnipeg including CMU JJ Thiessen lectures. *Anyone wanting a ride or to send or pick-up something, please let me know* 

Nora's Week: Working Sun, Wed, Fri, Sat

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