

MCC Connects: Join us for **Buckets of Thanks** on October 12th, as we pack relief kits for families in need around the world. Make a donation online at mccsk.ca/sk-buckets, purchase kit supplies, and join us on October 12th as we come together to give thanks for the many blessings in our lives. For more information please contact Graham MacDonald at grahammacdonald@mccsk.ca, call 306.665.2555 or visit mccsk.ca/sk-buckets.

OMC CALENDAR

- Oct 11 Church Council meeting, 7:00 pm
- Oct 13&14 OMC 90th Anniversary celebration
- Oct 20 Serve at Friendship Inn
- Oct 23 Worship committee meeting, 7:00 pm

***RJC Alumni Weekend – Oct 12 & 13.** Soccer will take place on Saturday only. Meet in the Rehearsal Hall at 10 am and bring a white and a dark t-shirt and \$5. Register at snl_warkentin@live.com by Oct 11 if you want to play. Email deneldafast@hotmail.com to register for volleyball (or for more info) by Oct 8. A delicious lunch sponsored by Alumni will be served between 11 am – 1 pm on Sat.

***RJC Annual Corporation Meeting: Saturday, October 27** at 5 pm in the RJC Chapel.

***RJC Homecoming Dinner & Auction:** RJC invites all alumni, parents and supporters of the school to the annual Fall Homecoming & Fundraising Dinner & Auction on **Saturday October 27th** at RJC at 6pm. Tickets are \$15 and can be reserved by calling the school at 306.232.4222 or by email at office@rosthernjuniorcollege.ca. Deadline for reservations is October 17th

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 Song leader: Ben Buhler Pianist: Diana Buhler
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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
 A Welcoming Christian
 Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
 October 7, 2018

Thanksgiving through the Generations

Prelude
 Welcome and Announcements, OMC 90 story

Call to Worship:

L: O God, your steadfast love has been ours for generations.
C: Through Christ, you brought us into the light of eternal love. With joy and thanksgiving, we proclaim our salvation until he comes again.

L: As we share in this thanksgiving service, may Christ be present with us, and may the Spirit bind us together as Christ’s body in the world. Amen.

***Hymn: Blue/HWB #37 “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”**
Blue/HWB #96 “We plow the fields and scatter”

Children’s Gathering Song: Jesus Loves Me (children please come forward at this time)

Children’s Time Edna Zacharias

Hymn: Green/SJ #40 “As rain from the clouds”

Scripture: Psalm 90 for OMC 90 by Frieda Rempel

Thanksgiving Communion Liturgy: (please respond with dark print)

Creator God is with you.

And also with you.

We open our hearts to Christ.

We pray for our hearts to be filled.

Let us give thanks for the Holy Spirit.

It is right to give thanks and praise.

We praise you Creator God for all of your creation. In the beginning, you created the world and all that is in it. From the rising sun in the East, to the soft rains of the South, to the setting sun in the West, to the dancing lights of the North. From the depths of our hearts we give you thanks.

We come together to lift our hearts to you in thanksgiving for the gift of reconciliation, healing and new life that we have through your gift of Jesus.

Jesus came and taught us to love you, with all that is within us. He came and taught us the truth about you. He came to fulfill our traditions and to let go of ourselves. He died on a cross for the thing that plagues us, sin and separation, fulfilling your love for us through his resurrection and reconciling us to you forever.

Before your Son, our Lord Jesus, was given up to death, a death he freely accepted, he took bread and gave you thanks. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples and said, Take this all of you and eat it. This is my body given for you.

When his supper was ended, he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks and praise, gave the cup to his disciples and said: Take this, all of you, and drink it. This is the cup of my life, the new and everlasting covenant, given for you and for all. Do this in memory of me.

Holy One, we give thanks for this living bread and this life saving cup as we proclaim the mystery of our faith.

Prayer of Preparation

Creator God, let your Spirit move among us. Come upon these gifts of the earth and make them holy. We thank you for allowing us to eat from your table. We worship you in this meal and receive these gifts from your loving hand.

Guide our journeys that we may walk your path in truth and kindness. Bless our intentions that we will always reach out with love to one another. Bless us with the wisdom to follow your example, so that we may have the courage and humility we need to face the sunrise and the sunset as we strive to complete our circle.

Through Jesus, with Jesus and in Jesus and the unity of the Spirit who draws us together; all glory be to God our Creator and Redeemer.

Distribution of Communion

Creator of all, you gave us fields rich with grain to be gathered, formed and shared as life-giving bread. So may we, your church, be gathered, formed and shared in your reconciling love. Amen. (As you serve the person next to you, offer them the peace of Christ. Hold the gluten-free bread so that we might all eat as one.) The gift of God for the people of God.

Creator of all, you gave us fruit as a sign and celebration of new life. May we, your people, taste the sweetness of new life together. Amen. (As we pass the cup, please hold the tray for the person next to you. Hold the grape juice so we may drink as one.) Remember him who said whoever drinks of the water of life shall never thirst again.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Holy One, you feed us with bread from heaven and the gifts of the earth. In this communion, you have drawn us into your embrace and call us to friendship with one another. You have given us the gift of reconciliation. May we who have tasted that gift from you, offer ourselves in peace and humility to one another. And may you always walk among us as friend. We pray this in your name. Amen

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

Offering

To all our visitors: WELCOME. We are delighted that you are worshipping with us.

Scent Free: We are striving to be considerate of those with sensitivities to scents/fragrances and ask all to avoid wearing scented products.

Children's Worship Binder, an instrument to help children through the worship hour, is available in the foyer.

TODAY:

- **Centering Prayer** in Classroom 1 at 9:15 - 9:30 am.
- **Adult Choir practice, 9:15 am.**
- **Beverages & Snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15 am.

THIS WEEK:

- **Saturday, Oct 13, 4:00 pm: OMC 90 Celebration** begins with coffee social, Art Show & Cemetery Tour.
- **5:30 pm Potluck followed by a Talent Show, 7:00 pm.**

NEXT SUNDAY: 10:00 am OMC 90 Worship Service followed by Celebration Coffee.

Next Sunday, Oct 14: Singing our Faith & Celebrating our Diversity.

Worship Leader: Patty Friesen Song leader: Kevin Boldt
Pianist: Melanie Boldt Children's Time: Terri Lynn Friesen
Sound: Doug McKinnell Nursery: Marlene Campbell
Ushers: Susan Braun, Jadrian Guenther

Patty's Week : Tues: sermon, visits; Wed: Office, visits; Thurs: council; Fri: Office; Sat. OMC 90!

Terri Lynn's Week: Wed: office (am); Thurs: RJC football game, Council (pm); Fri: youth prep (am); Sat: OMC 90th celebration

UPCOMING SERVICES

Oct 21: Ron and Sue Schellenberg: Shekinah Retreat Centre

Oct 28: Patty Friesen preaching. (Pink Sunday)

Nov 4 Sahar Vardi & Tarek Al-Zoughbi, MCC

Nov 11 Peace Readings & Songs

Spoken Benediction Let us give thanks to God in memory and hope, knowing that the love of Creator God is with us, the peace of Christ is present here, and the hope of the Holy Spirit moves within us, that we may live in reconciliation with all. Go in peace.

Sung Benediction: HWB #478 "Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

(Preceding Liturgy by Nora Pederberg, Nutana Park Mennonite Church)

Remember in Prayer:

- Pat Bodnar and family at the passing of Pat's husband Barry.
- Dave's presentation at Senate Committee Hearings on Human Rights, Winnipeg
- OMC Syrian Canadian Thanksgiving

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"Thank you for the delicious, hearty bread and Love soup and for your prayers after my surgery. So much appreciated! Adeline and Doug".

*The bulletin for October 14th OMC 90 will be printed on **Thursday, October 11th**. Please have all bulletin announcements in by Wednesday. Thanks!!

***OMC 90 Celebrating Diversity Begins Sat. Oct. 13, 4:00 p.m.** 5:30 pm Potluck. Please sign up for the dish(es) you will bring. 7:00 pm Talent Show.

Sunday, Oct. 14, 10:00 a.m. Worship with Choir and Singing through our Hymnals. Coffee time to follow. **Lunch group A-C in charge of set-up & clean-up of coffee.** Group leader Susan Braun.

***OMC 90th Potluck on Saturday, Oct 13 and a special coffee time on Sunday, Oct 14:** To clarify, the Potluck will be a regular potluck. There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board. **Please sign-up early, and consider larger quantities** as we will have many out of town guests. ***Lunch group D-L in charge of Potluck clean-up**, with group leaders Kathy Braun and Rob & Brandee Borne.

***A big thank you to the OMC 90 committee for making this a meaningful milestone:** Brandee Borne, Sandra Grismer, Jake Buhler, Dick Braun and Patty Friesen. **Art Show Coordinators:** Glen Grismer, Naomi Schellenberg. **Program Coordinators:** Terry Stefaniuk, Stephanie Siemens. **Decor:** Linda Stucky, Ruth Buhler. **Choir director:** Ben Buhler; **Posters:** Adeline Cox. And all the potluck helpers!

***Friendship Inn Coordinator needed** for 6 times serving in 2019. Please speak to Jean Harms, Mission & Service. A big thank you to Diana Buhler who coordinated Friendship Inn service for us these past couple of years. We have opportunities to serve October 20.

*Worship Manual by Lois Siemens available in church library and in e-mail format from the office.

***October 25 & 26: MC Sask Continuing Education Opportunity at Bethany Manor.** Rachel Miller Jacobs (AMBS) will present *Deepening our Walk with Christ: Habits, Habitus & Habitation*. Register at <http://mcsask.ca/mc-sask-continuing-education-event-registration/> by October 19. Cost is \$100 and includes lunch.

***Friday, October 26, 6:30-8:00 pm – Bethany Manor presents “An evening with tenor Keith Boldt” and special guest Merel Kreigsmann. See poster for ticket details.**

***Mennonite Disaster Service Awareness Supper and Information Evening** Friday October 26, 6:30 PM at the Waldheim MB Church. Call 306-342-4344 by October 19th to reserve a seat.

***October 27: Equipping Day at Warman Mennonite Church.** Rachel Miller Jacobs (AMBS) is our Keynote speaker and we have 7 different workshops to choose from. Registration begins at 9 am. Registration forms and a poster with details can be found on the bulletin board or at <http://mcsask.ca/equipping-day/> . Cost is \$40 if you register before Oct 19, \$50 after. Lunch is included.

*Saturday, November 3, 1:00-5:00 pm: 2018 MCCS Encounter & AGM at Wildwood Mennonite Church. Registration forms on the bulletin board or register online at mccsk.ca before October 26.

TODAY’S SCRIPTURE: Psalm 90

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

² Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

³ You turn us back to dust, and say, “Turn back, you mortals.”

⁴ For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past, or like a watch in the night.⁵ You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning; ⁶ in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.

⁷ For we are consumed by your anger; by your wrath we are overwhelmed. ⁸ You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your countenance. ⁹ For all our days pass away under your wrath; our years come to an end like a sigh.

¹⁰ The days of our life are seventy years, or perhaps eighty, if we are strong; even then their span is only toil and trouble, they are soon gone, and we fly away. ¹¹ Who considers the power of your anger? Your wrath is as great as the fear that is due you.

¹² So teach us to count our days that we may gain a wise heart.

¹³ Turn, O LORD! How long? Have compassion on your servants!

¹⁴ Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days. ¹⁵ Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us, and as many years as we have seen evil.

¹⁶ Let your work be manifest to your servants, and your glorious power to their children. ¹⁷ Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us, and prosper for us the work of our hands—

O prosper the work of our hands!