

MCC Connects: Grab a friend or family member and help MCC respond to the needs of people around the world. The second annual Buckets of Thanks event is just around the corner and we need your help to meet our target of 1000 relief kits! Events will be happening throughout the province around Thanksgiving and a wrap up kit packing event will be held at the MCC Centre on October 12th. For more information contact Graham MacDonald at grahammacdonald@mccsk.ca or call 306.665.2555.

*MC Canada is already planning for the national gathering happening June 28 - July 1, 2019 in the Langley, BC area: "Re-imagining the Church". **Terri Lynn is the volunteer from SK** that is on the planning committee. Have your voice in the topics and speakers that help shape this conference - let Terri Lynn know what suggestions you have, **and mark the dates on your calendar for Assembly 2019!**

OMC CALENDAR

Sept 22	Worship Workshop, 10 – 2. Lunch provided.
Sept 22	Youth meeting, 6:30-8:30 pm
Sept 27	M & S meeting, 7:00 pm
Sept 28	Love Soup Making Bee, 10:00-noon.
Oct 6	Thanksgiving Potluck with Al-Nouri's, 5:30 pm
Oct 7	Thanksgiving & Communion
Oct 11	Church Council meeting, 7:00 pm

Worship Leader: George Janzen	Sound: Doug McKinnell
Song leader: Kathryn Janzen	Pianist: Lynette Janzen
Ushers: Lloyd Sawatzky, Dick Braun	Nursery: Sarah Buhler

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
September 23, 2018

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship
Invocation

*Hymn

Scripture: Isaiah 49:13-16

Hymn

Offering/Offertory Prayer

Children's Time Terri Lynn Friesen

Scriptures: Proverbs 31:10-31, Mark 9:33-37

Sermon: "Facing Goliath" Lois Siemens

Hymn

Sharing of Joys and Concerns / Pastoral Prayer

Benediction

***Sung Benediction**
(*Please rise)

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 am.
- **Beverages & Snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15 am.
Adult Sunday School Forum at 11:15: Please join us in the sanctuary with Patty and Lois as we process what enhances our worship experiences.

THIS WEEK:

- **Thursday, Sept 27, 7:00 pm: M & S committee meeting.**
- **Friday, Sept 28, 10 am – noon: Love Soup-Making Bee.**

Soup lunch included. **Chicken bones in freezer if someone wants to make broth ahead of time.** Please bring peelers, hand blenders, food processors, soup pots. Looking for donations of onions, potatoes, chard, tomatoes, basil, squash. We'll fill the freezer with 2 person/4 person soup containers.

- **Youth: Saturday, Sept 29: MegaMenno.** The kick-off for MegaMenno will be at **Mount Royal Mennonite Church from 6-8:30pm.** It will be a 'Peacemeal' so supper is provided! RSVP to Terri Lynn by **Sept 25th.** We'll need *volunteers for drivers and a sponsor or two* for this event.

NEXT SUNDAY:

- **Choir practice, 9:15 am.**
- **Sept 30 Orange Shirt Day** - please wear an orange shirt. Story about it during children's time.
- **Everyone is invited to join Kaytee and this year's IVEP participants for lunch on September 30th** at the Osler Restaurant. They will be attending church next Sunday and will participate in the service. If folks want to come get to know the new IVEP crew, this is an open invite to do so.

Next Sunday, Sept 30: Heather Driedger preaching. IVEP commissioning. **Please wear Orange.** Worship Leader: Dave Feick
Children's Time: Wilf Buhler Song leader: Kathryn Janzen
Pianist: Lynette Janzen Sound: Matthew Stefaniuk
Nursery: Sarah Buhler Ushers: Lloyd Sawatzky, Kathy Braun

Patty's Week: Tues: sermon, visits; Wed: office, visits;
Thurs: M&S; Fri: Love Soup; Sat-Sun Edmonton.

Terri Lynn's Week: Tues: Education mtg (pm); Wed: office;
Fri: office(am). Away from Sept 28-Oct 8 inclusive for a youth ministry conference, and then holidays; back in the office Oct 9.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Oct 7: Thanksgiving & Communion

Oct14: OMC 90: Singing Our Faith and Celebrating Our Diversity

Oct 21: Ron and Sue Schellenberg: Shekinah Retreat Centre

Oct 28: Patty Friesen preaching. (Pink Sunday)

Remember in Prayer:

- Jake Loeppky's fall -Doug M's birthday
- family of Osler student Cohen with cancer
- Lara's 1/2 way through chemo -Adeline's knee surgery
- Mark's Palestinian friend's loss of passport and visa
- safe arrival of Jacob Anton Funk, grandson of Tony & Jacqueline
- 650 lbs of community garden potatoes

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Choir practice for our 90th Celebration will be at 9:15 am on Sundays, September 30th and October 7th.** All singers encouraged to attend.

***Thank-you to Linda Stucky** for the beautiful fall display at the front of the sanctuary!

***Bible Classes at Osler Elementary School:** Jake Buhler will begin teaching Old Testament classes at OES beginning this week for the next 10 weeks.

***October 4-14: EVERY BRILLIANT THING at The Refinery.**

Burnt Thicket Theatre presents an astonishing comedy about depression and cultivating joy. *You're 7 years old. Mum's in hospital. She finds it hard to be happy. You start making a list of everything worth living for. You leave it on her pillow. You know she's read it because she's corrected your spelling.* 20 years and thousands of things later, the list takes on a life of its own, exploring the lengths we go to for those we love. Opening Live Five's season Oct 4-14 at The Refinery (609 Dufferin Ave) - PWYC Preview Oct 4! For tickets & more head to burnthicket.com.

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

***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.

***Sunday School Teachers Needed:** The sign-up sheet includes topics, so pick your favourite and please sign up for a 3 week rotation (or less if need be) for Children and/or Youth.

***Saturday, Oct 6, 5:30 pm at OMC: First Canadian Thanksgiving for the Al-Nouris.** Halal Turkey provided. Please bring your favourite potluck dish to share. All welcome.

***Saturday, Sept 29: Join the second annual "Ride the Local Food Trail" event.** Visit Osler area farms by bike and connect to farmers growing healthy food. A highlight this year will be to learn about one dairy farm's plan to build a milk-on-tap self serve dispensary for cream-on-top non-homogenized milk. Contact Gord Enns at saskatoon.foodcouncil@usask.ca for more details.

***Ride for Refuge - Saturday September 29.** This year's **Ride for Refuge** is being hosted by *Mennonite Church Canada* - our very own Kirsten Hamm-Epp is the race director! You can show support by *riding* on September 29th, or by *donating on-line* (search Ride for Refuge 2018 Saskatoon). The day begins at 8:45am at the Lutheran Seminary and the lunch for riders begins at 11am.

***Room for 2 to Winnipeg - leaving 1515 Coy Ave Mon. Oct. 15,** 8 a.m. arriving CMU 5:00 p.m. **Departing CMU Thurs Oct. 18,** 8 a.m. arriving 1515 Coy Ave 5:00 p.m. with Patty Friesen and Lois Siemens. Great music and snacks provided, gas split.

***The 2018 CHURCH YARD MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE** is on the bulletin board. Thank you for your participation and co-operation. **Lloyd & Loretta Sawatzky and Garry & Jean Harms are scheduled for the week of Sept 24-29.**

***OMC 90 is in 3 weeks!** We are looking for original art works (talk to Naomi or Glen) and performances for Sat night Oct. 13 7:00 (talk to Terry). There are already the Mennonite Wailin' Jennys quartet and The Merry Wives of Osler comedy sketch for the Saturday night show.

*A Cemetery Tour is included in our 90th Anniversary celebration. Please consider brightening up your loved ones plots with a basket of fresh or silk flowers.

RJC NEWS:

***Alumni Weekend – Oct 12 & 13.** Alumni and friends are welcome to join in the fun as a participant or a spectator! 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 Saturday in the Rehearsal Hall.

***RJC Annual Corporation Meeting:** We invite all members of our constituency to attend our annual meeting on **Saturday, October 27** at 5pm 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. This year's theme is "RJC at the Olympics" where we will be celebrating the Olympic contributions of alumni Wendy Epp, Kelly Grams and Robyn Regehr. In addition to the featured speakers, RJC is excited to have alumnus Chris Epp from CTV Calgary as this year's host, as well as alumni led musical entertainment! 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 - space will be limited and a sold out crowd is expected!

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES: Isaiah 49:13-16

¹³ Shout for joy, you heavens; rejoice, you earth; burst into song, you mountains! For the LORD comforts his people and will have compassion on his afflicted ones. ¹⁴ But Zion said, "The LORD has forsaken me, the Lord has forgotten me." ¹⁵ "Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you! ¹⁶ See, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands; your walls are ever before me."

Proverbs 31:10-31

¹⁰ A wife of noble character who can find? She is worth far more than rubies. Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value. She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life. She selects wool and flax and works with eager hands. She is like the merchant ships, bringing her food from afar. She gets up while it is still night; she provides food for her family and portions for her female servants. She considers a field and buys it; out of her earnings she plants a vineyard. She sets about her work vigorously; her arms are strong for her tasks. She sees that her trading is profitable, and her lamp does not go out at night. In her hand she holds the distaff and grasps the spindle with her fingers. She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy. When it snows, she has no fear for her household; for all of them are clothed in scarlet. She makes coverings for her bed; she is clothed in fine linen and purple. Her husband is respected at the city gate, where he takes his seat among the elders of the land. She makes linen garments and sells them, and supplies the merchants with sashes. She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue. She watches over the affairs of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: "Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all." Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

Mark 9:33-37

³³ They came to Capernaum. When he was in the house, he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the road?" ³⁴ But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest. ³⁵ Sitting down, Jesus called the Twelve and said, "Anyone who wants to be first must be the very last, and the servant of all." ³⁶ He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷ "Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome me but the one who sent me."