

MCC Connects: We want to say a huge thank you to the Affinity Credit Union, the City of Saskatoon and the Community Initiatives Fund for providing additional funding for our Meadowgreen Program this upcoming year. Because of this support we will open the Meadowgreen Youth Centre at 501 Ave W South in partnership with Meadowgreen House for All Nations, October 3rd, 2018! Please pray for this new chapter and for all the youth we will be able to support in this beautiful and diverse community.

*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

Oct 6	Thanksgiving Potluck with Al-Nouri's, 5:30 pm
Oct 7	Thanksgiving & Communion
Oct 11	Church Council meeting, 7:00 pm
Oct 13&14	OMC 90 th Anniversary celebration
Oct 20	Serve at Friendship Inn

Worship Leader: Dave Feick	Sound: Matthew Stefaniuk
Song leader: Michelle McKinnell	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 30, 2018

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements, OMC 90 story

Call to Worship

Invocation:

One: Great Creator, You made us in Your image

All: Help us to live into the fullness of Your image in our lives

One: Holy Spirit, You reflect your image in us

All: Call us to love our neighbors as ourselves

One: Loving Christ, you teach us that Your image is within us

All: Keep us to Your ways of love, justice, and faithfulness

One: In this time of worship, may we rejoice that you are always present.

All: You are here, now, forever, with us. Amen.

***Hymn: Green/SJ #65** **“Let justice flow like streams”**

Scripture: Psalm 32:1,2,6,7,11

Children's Time Julie Bergen

Hymn: Green/SJ #61 **“How can we be silent”**

Scripture reading: Isaiah 1: 15-17

Sermon: “A Call to Justice” Heather Driedger

Hymn: Green/SJ #66 **“If the war goes on”**

Commissioning IVEPers

Kaytee Edwards

Sharing of Joys and Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Offering/Offertory Prayer

Spoken Benediction: Holy and merciful God, we thank you for sending your Son Jesus to save those who are lost. Lead us eagerly to seek him, gladly to accept his invitation, and joyfully to receive him into our lives. For he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

***Sung Benediction: Blue/HWB #323** **“Beyond a dying sun”**
(*Please rise)

To all our visitors: WELCOME. We are delighted that you are worshiping 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.
- **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 6, 5:30 pm:** OMC Potluck Thanksgiving for Al-Nouris. Come for great Syrian food and the chance to meet the Al-Nouris and hear their story of flight and coming to Canada. If you have refugee ancestors, please bring photos and stories to share. **Lunch group M-Z in charge**, with group leaders Carl Martens-Funk & Diane McKinnell.

NEXT SUNDAY: Thanksgiving & Communion

Next Sunday, Oct 7: Thanksgiving & Communion

Worship Leader: Terry Stefaniuk Song leader: Ben Buhler
Pianist: Diana Buhler Children’s Time: Edna Zacharias
Sound: Stephanie Siemens Nursery:
Ushers: Susan Braun, Jadrian Guenther

Patty’s Week: Patty’s Week: Today: Edmonton helping Mom pack; Tues: sermon, visits; Wed: office, visits; Thurs: Community Garden Party; Fri: office; Sat: OMC Thanksgiving.

Terri Lynn’s Week: Away from Sept 28-Oct 8 inclusive for a youth ministry conference, then holidays; back in the office Oct 10.

UPCOMING SERVICES

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:

- Rob's birthday -Dave preaching at City Hospital
- Art & Edna's MDS week at William's Lake
- baby Jacob Funk's release from hospital
- Rachel B who is beginning chemotherapy next week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

*** We welcome Heather Driedger this morning:** Heather is the director of Parkland Restorative Justice, a MC SK sponsored activity based in Prince Albert. PRJ runs the Person to Person prison visitation program at the Sask Pen, and Circles of Support and Accountability for offenders coming back into Prince Albert. Heather is a graduate of CMU (07) and RJC (04), and has done restorative justice work in Colorado before coming back to Saskatchewan in 2015 to work for PRJ. She loves hanging out with her dog, a lab/corgi mix named Helen Hunt.

***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.

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!

***We welcome IVEPers** Sumanta Mandi from India, Wenjing Tang (Elizabeth) from China, and Keren Sagastume Calero from Honduras to our service this morning.

***Everyone is invited to join Kaytee and this year's IVEP participants for lunch** 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.

***OMC 90 Celebrating Diversity Begins Sat. Oct. 13, 4:00 p.m.**

with coffee and a Cemetery Tour.

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 in the multi-purpose room.

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 and November 17.

***Thank you to everyone who helped make Love Soup** for this winter's surgeries and Christmas hampers.

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

***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.

***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 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.

TODAY’S SCRIPTURES:

Psalm 32:1,2,6,7,11

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you; at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them. You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.

Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

Isaiah 1:15-17

¹⁵ When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood.

¹⁶ Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil,

¹⁷ learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow.