



# Osler Mennonite Church

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

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10:00 a.m. Worship Service

April 19, 2026

## Peace with Creation

### Prelude

### Welcome/Land Appreciation/Announcements

### Call to Worship:

Leader: To worship is to stand in awe under a heaven of stars,  
before a flower, a leaf in sunlight, or a grain of sand.

**People: To worship is to be silent, receptive,**

**before a tree astir with the wind, or the passing shadow of a cloud.**

Leader: To worship is to work with dedication and with skill;  
it is a pause from work and listen to a strain of music.

**People: To worship is to sing with the singing beauty of the earth;  
it is to listen through a storm to the still small voice within.**

*All: Worship is the mystery within us  
reaching out to the Mystery beyond.*

### Prayer of Invocation

**Hymns of Praise: VT #606 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah  
VT #209 We Dream of a Turning**

### First Reading: Exodus 16:11-21

The Lord spoke to Moses, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.’ ”

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat. This is what the Lord has commanded: Gather as much of it as each of you needs, an

omer per person according to the number of persons, all providing for those in their own tents.” The Israelites did so, some gathering more, some less. But when they measured it with an omer, those who gathered much had nothing over, and those who gathered little had no shortage; they gathered as much as each of them needed. And Moses said to them, “Let no one leave any of it over until morning.” But they did not listen to Moses; some left part of it until morning, and it became wormy and rotten. And Moses was angry with them. Morning by morning they gathered it, as much as each needed, but when the sun grew hot, it melted.

## **Children’s Gathering Song: Today Earth is Singing Story Time for All Ages**

### **Offering Prayer**

**Music for Meditation – VT #803 We Shall Overcome**

**Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church (VT# 901)**

**Prayers – for persons suffering from the continuing conflicts worldwide**  
- for Doug who is having health issues

### **Candle Prayers for peace and our hearts’ desires...**

**Hymn: VT #145 Touch the Earth Lightly**

### **Second Reading: Exodus 16:22-30**

On the sixth day they gathered twice as much food, two omers apiece. When all the leaders of the congregation came and told Moses, he said to them, “This is what the Lord has commanded: Tomorrow is a day of solemn rest, a holy Sabbath to the Lord; bake what you want to bake and boil what you want to boil, and all that is left over put aside to be kept until morning.” So they put it aside until morning, just as Moses commanded them, and it did not rot, and there were no maggots in it. Moses said, “Eat it today, for today is a Sabbath to the Lord; today you will not find it in the field. Six days you shall gather it, but on the seventh day, which is a Sabbath, there will be none.”

On the seventh day some of the people went out to gather, and they found none. The Lord said to Moses, “How long will you refuse to keep my commandments and instructions? See! The Lord has given you the Sabbath; therefore on the sixth day he gives you food for two days; each of you stay where you are; do not leave your place on the seventh day.” So the people rested on the seventh day.

**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 #813 Hear with Loving Heart United**

**Sermon: Peacemaking: Manna vs. Textile Mountain**

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

**Benediction: VT #1052**

Go in peace. Christ is with you.

**Thanks be to God.**

Go in peace. Share the good news.

**Thanks be to God.**

Go in peace. Remember the poor.

**Thanks be to God.**

Go in peace. Go be peace.

**Thanks be to God.**

Go in peace. Prepare the way.

**Thanks be to God.**

Go in peace. Christ is risen. Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

Go in peace. Rejoice in the power of the Spirit.

**Thanks be to God.**

\*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 APRIL 19** *Third Sunday of Easter*

Speaker: Luke Bushman      Worship Leader: Dave Feick

Song Leaders: Loretta, Ben, Benjamin      Accompanist: Ben

Story: Marlene      Sound: Matthew

Ushers: Harold/Lloyd      Offering Counter Team: Diana B/John G

Coffee/Snack: Casadi

**Office Hours:** Wednesday & Friday 8:30 am. to 12:30 pm

**Brad's Week:** usual work days are Mon, Wed. and Fri. but not necessarily in the office – he may be out visiting. If you'd like a visit, please call him @ 306-361-0601.

**Luke's Week:** Wed. OMC Office' NPMC Mtg; Thurs. Transition into Ministry final session; Fri: OMC Office; Sat. Mega Menno Event; Sun. Patrick Final NPMC Service

**Friday Coffee Time with the staff @ 10:00 am**

**Birthdays this Week:** *none this week*

### **Youth Calendar**

**April 17th** Games and Green Project Planning

**April 25th** Mega Menno in Drake - Menno Run

**May 2nd OMC Variety Night Followed by Karaoke**

**May 8th OMC Bake Off**

**May 16th-18th Retreat at Christopher Lake**

**OMC Financial update:** Our first quarter showed that donations are ahead of budget for the year. This is common for the first quarter and we hope it is a sign of continued giving throughout the year. Our expenses are in line with budget, leaving us with a surplus of approximately \$1,600. Financial statements have been distributed by email, and you can see Kathy for paper copies. Thank you for your continued support of the OMC budget!

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

"A small group working through the book *'The Bible Unwrapped: Making Sense of Scripture Today'* by Meghan Good will be meeting over the next couple months on every other Thursday at the church, beginning Thursday April 16. If you are interested in joining, please speak with Brad." *Next meeting will be April 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.*

**A Creative Space:** Let's bring in spring with some creativity! On Sunday evenings at 6:00-8 Casadi is facilitating an art space at OMC. This space is meant to build intergenerational community, inspiration, and enhance mental wellbeing. No experience is needed. Feel free to bring a friend. Ages 10 and up! Starts April 12-May 3; depending on interest. Please text Casadi at (306) 202-6791 if you'd like to join one or all of the evenings, or if you'd like to facilitate creating something.

**The Community Connections Committee** will be presenting another pizza/conversation on April 26th after church. Lynn Caldwell a good friend of Steph Siemens will be sharing her experience working with the situation in Gaza. Please plan to join us for this very important conversation.

**OMC Variety Night – Saturday, May 2nd – 7:30 p.m.** Come share a solo or group song, story, party trick, budding talent or hobby, dramatic reading, or other creative ditties! Perfection is discouraged.

**May 9, 6:00 P.M. Potluck Supper**, followed by an evening of celebration, reminiscing, singing, and sharing time with Hilda Franz, wife of Walter, who was pastor here from 1964-69. It's an opportunity to meet with other youth from that era, that have moved away but will be attending.

**Saturday April 25 at 7:30**-North Sky Chorale at Knox United Church. Choir includes Christy, Vanessa, Dayna and Michelle. Buy tickets at: <https://www.eventbrite.ca/d/canada--saskatoon/north-sky-chorale/>

**Sunday May 10 at 3:00**-Saskatoon Chamber Singers at Knox United Church. Tickets through Michelle or at: <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/saskatoon-chamber-singers/events/may-2026/>

**First Mennonite Church** is looking for a part-time **Administrative & Communications Assistant**.

This is a two-day-per-week position (with some flexibility), focused on office administration and communications, including helping develop and maintain our digital presence. It's a meaningful role for someone who is organized, communicative, and appreciates the life of the local church. Pastor Calvary, First Mennonite Church, 306-262-1177

**Thursday, May 7, 2026 – 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.** Mennonite Nursing Home Auxiliary is hosting its annual May Day Tea Fundraiser. There will be a cake walk; door prizes and a light lunch. All proceeds will go towards a *Hotpress Labeler* for Sunrise Place and help with the cost of new cabinets for our Activity Department. If anyone is interested in bringing a cake for the cake walk, they can contact Alana at 306-232-4861.

**MCC Connects:** Happy Volunteer Appreciation Week from MCC Saskatchewan! We are grateful for the many dedicated volunteers contributing countless hours to the work of relief, development, and peace in the name of Christ. This work could not be done without the over 1000 volunteers throughout Saskatchewan, so thank you!

## **We're Better Together**

Tuesday, April 28, 5:00 - 8:30PM, MCC Saskatchewan, 600 45 St W, Saskatoon SK, S7L 5W9

The session has two parts—you can join either or both:

- At 5pm, take part in Forced to Flee, a 90-minute simulation of displacement devised by the Canadian Food Grains Bank. Details at <https://foodgrainsbank.ca/resources/forced-to-flee/>

- At 7pm, learn about the We're Better Together campaign, supported by now over 200 organizations nationwide, to build public support for a policy of welcome. At a time when government policy towards refugees is becoming less welcoming, we are committed to coalition-building to enable strong advocacy on behalf of refugees.

Food will be available between the two sessions.

Attendance is free but please register (so we know rough numbers for food) at:

<https://mcc.org/events/transformation-table-were-better-together>

**Bethany Chorus Concerts** will be held on Saturday, April 18 at 2:00 pm and Sunday April 19 at 7:00 pm In the Fellowship Centre at Bethany Manor. All are welcome. Donations at the door. (New)

## **MC SASK Updates:**

### **Where's Len this week?**

This Sunday Len will be visiting Rosthern Mennonite Church and giving the message based on Acts 10, the story of Peter and Cornelius. Also, on Saturday Len will attend a flag raising ceremony at Saskatoon City Hall in recognition of Sikh Heritage Month in Saskatchewan. The province recognizes various cultural and faith communities as a way of building respectful relationships within the diverse fabric of Saskatchewan society. (MC Sask) (New)

**RJC Singers** at Zion Mennonite Church | Saturday, April 18 and at Coaldale Mennonite Church | Sunday, April 19

**April 24, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm | RJC Spend-A-Day** Prospective students in Grades 7–11 are invited to experience a day in the life at RJC! You'll shadow a current student, attend chapel, enjoy a meal in our dining hall, and explore music, sports, and dorm life. Meet teachers, connect with future classmates, and discover why RJC is a vibrant, welcoming community. Come spend a day with us and see what we have to offer! Visit [rjc.sk.ca/spend-a-day](http://rjc.sk.ca/spend-a-day) to register.

**April 25 5:30 doors open | Puttin' on the Ribz 2026** at the Shekinah Retreat Centre Timber Lodge Shekinah Annual Fundraiser in partnership with Carmen Corner Meats. Join us for an evening of gourmet ribs dinner, and live entertainment. Tickets are \$75 per person, or \$550 for a table of eight. All tickets must be purchased in advance. Reach out to us at 306-945-4929 or [office@shekinahretreatcentre.org](mailto:office@shekinahretreatcentre.org) for more information. Click the link below or visit the website to purchase tickets. <https://bit.ly/4sEWb4C>

**Shekinah Summer Camp** registration is now open! Go to <https://bit.ly/4cjsBMC> to register or visit our website for more details.

**Get to know MDS!** Join us for an evening of information about MDS (and our national project in Denare Beach, SK) and music by bluegrass and gospel group “BJ and Friends”. **Monday, April 20 at 7:00 PM** at the West Portal Church, Saskatoon. There will be lots of desserts, but an RSVP to [mdscanada@mds.org](mailto:mdscanada@mds.org) is helpful in preparations.

**Our next MegaMenno Event is Menno Run!** On Saturday, April 25, 4-7 p.m. at North Star Mennonite Church in Drake. Bring \$5 for pizza supper. Carpooling will be arranged, as needed. Please rsvp to your youth leader or respond to this email, so we can arrange rides. Come prepared to play outside.

What is Menno Run? This town-wide game is based on the historical flight of Mennonites from Russia in the late 1800s. In the game, the leaders take on the role of the “Russians,” while the rest of the students are grouped into “families” trying to flee. The goal? Work together to make it through a series of checkpoints to find freedom without getting caught. But if even one family member is caught, the whole group is sent to “jail” to complete a series of hilarious (and sometimes ridiculous) challenges before they can continue, think chubby bunny, wall sits, dance challenges, or saltine crackers + whistling. 🐰 🧑‍🦰 🧴

**The Rosthern Museum and Mennonite Interpretive Centre** invites you to a fundraising banquet on Wednesday, April 29 at 6:00 p.m. Dinner catered by Friesens Bigway in Rosthern, with entertainment to follow by Sterling Boehm. Admission is by donation. Help us meet our goal of a new roof for the museum building.

**Theatre of the Beat** is coming back to Saskatchewan this May. If your congregation is interested in hosting a performance or workshop in your community, please contact the MC Sask office or Theatre of the Beat directly. Their current production is *Invisible Threads* which explores the realities of human trafficking, enforced labour, and unfair working conditions - issues that may feel far away, but exist here in Canada as well as globally. The story begins when a clothing store employee discovers a note sewn into a pair of imported jeans, sparking a chain of revelations about wage theft, unsafe workplaces, and the hidden systems that enable exploitation.

**A world event** that sits heavily on our hearts is the conflict taken on by Israel and the USA in Iran. Climate Adam, a climate scientist well known for his activity on YouTube, addresses how deeply the issues and resolutions of the world's problems, including climate action and pursuing peace, are deeply interconnected in this video

### CALENDAR

**Sun. Apr 19 – 10:00 am Luke Bushman preaching**

**Sun. Apr 26 – 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching**

Noon – Pizza/conversation with Lynn Caldwell

Sat. May 2 – 7:30 pm OMC Variety Night

**Sun. May 3 - 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching**

Mon. May 7 - 6:00 pm Education mtgPeac

**Sun. May 10 – 10:00 am Lois Siemens preaching**

**NEXT SUNDAY – APRIL 26**      *Fourth Sunday of Easter*

Speaker: Brad Schroeder      Worship Leader: Brad

Song Leaders: Ben, Kathryn, Loretta      Accompanist: Naomi

Story: Wilf      Sound: Benjamin

Ushers: Harold/Lloyd      Offering Counter Team: Diana B/Loretta

Coffee/Snack: Kathy & Dick

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