

**MCC Connects:** The MCC Saskatchewan Relief Sale is just around the corner! If you have new or vintage auction items, baking, crafts, quilts, plants or artwork that you would like to donate please email the Relief Sale team at [mccreliefsalesk@gmail.com](mailto:mccreliefsalesk@gmail.com).

**\*LAST DAY re: Cyclone Idai from CFGB:** The Government of Canada will match funds donated to the “Joint Cyclone Idai appeal of the Humanitarian Coalition”, **including Canadian Foodgrains Bank. The match is retroactive to March 15 and for all donations made now until April 14.** More info on the bulletin board.

**\*Voices Together Worship Workshop,** Saturday June 15, 1:30-4:30pm at Mount Royal Mennonite Church. Introducing materials and resources from the new *Voices Together* hymnal project. Cost is \$25. Registration & details: <https://mcsask.ca/mc-sask-events/>

### OMC CALENDAR

Apr 14 Senior's Pizza Supper @ Bethany Manor, 5:00 pm  
Apr 18 Maundy Thursday Potluck & Communion, 5:30 pm  
Apr 19 Osler Choral Society Concert, 4:00pm  
Apr 19 Good Friday Service, 7:00 pm  
Apr 21 Easter Sunday Service, with Potluck Brunch to follow  
Apr 29 Worship meeting @ Stephanie's, 7:00 pm

Worship Leader: Christy Martens-Funk Nursery: Marlene Campbell  
Songleader: Ben Buhler Pianist: Diana Buhler  
Sound: Dick Braun Ushers: Anna Peters, Karl Martens

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# Osler Mennonite Church

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

April 14, 2019

## Palm Sunday

Prelude

Children's Palm Processional

Children's Time: Lacey MacKenzie

**Hymn: Purple/SS #73 “Jesus is coming”**

### Call to Worship:

One: O God, you are our God. We seek you.

**Many: Our souls thirst for you as in a dry and weary land  
where there is no water.**

Leader: We thank you for being our salvation,  
for being our chief cornerstone.

**Many: We bless you as we bind the festal procession with  
branches, up to the horns of the altar!**

*All: O God, you satisfy our souls as with a rich feast.*

*In the shadow of your wings, we sing for you, and you uphold us.*

Invocation

**Hymns: Blue/HWB #239 “Ride on, ride on in majesty”**

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

Offering / Offertory Prayer

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 45:15-18

**Hymn: Blue/HWB #70 “Immortal, invisible, God only wise”**

Gospel Reading: Luke 23:1-12

## 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!

Sermon: "Why Does God Hide?" Patty Friesen

Hymn: **Blue/HWB #240 "Go to dark Gethsemane"**

## Announcements

Benediction: As we enter into this Holy Week, may every knee bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, at the name of Jesus, and may every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God. Amen.

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**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.

**Live Stream:** For those wishing to join us for worship, but unable to attend in person, our services are live-streamed to our Facebook page.

The recording will be paused during the sharing of joys and concerns.

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

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## TODAY:

- **Easter Choir practice, 9:15 am.**
- **Centering Prayer** in Classroom 1 at 9:15 - 9:30 am.
- **Beverages & Snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15 am.
- **Senior's Pizza Supper at Bethany Manor, 5:00 pm.**

## THIS WEEK:

- **Maundy Thursday Potluck & Communion, 5:30pm**
- **Friday, April 19: Choral Society Concert: 4:00pm**
- **Friday, April 19: Good Friday Service, 7:00pm**

## NEXT SUNDAY:

- **Easter Choir practice, 9:15 am.**
- **Easter Brunch Potluck, 11:00am**

**Patty's Week:** Tues: sermon, visit. Wed: office. Maundy Thurs service, Good Friday service, Easter Sunday.  
Patty will be hiking and camping at Grasslands East Block April 22-29. Please call George Janzen for pastoral care emergencies.

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## Next Sunday, Apr 21: Easter Sunday: Patty Friesen

"Christ the Lord is risen today: by Patty Friesen

Worship Leader: George Janzen

Sound: Dick Braun

Song Leader: Ben Buhler

Pianist: Diana Buhler

Children's Time: Adeline Cox

Nursery: Adeline Cox

Ushers: Anna Peters, Karl Martens

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## UPCOMING SERVICES

**April 18 Maundy Thursday Potluck and Communion, 5:30 p.m.**  
Lunch Group D-L, with leader Sandra Grismer, in charge of Potluck.

**April 19 Osler Choral Society Concert: 4:00pm**

**April 19 Good Friday service, 7:00 p.m.**

**April 21 Easter Sunday Service and Brunch;** Lunch Group M-Z, with leader Edna Zacharias, in charge of Easter Brunch.

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## Remember in Prayer:

-the anniversary of the Humboldt Broncos bus crash.

- Steph's cousin

-university students finishing finals and looking for summer jobs

-Zac's summer internship at Warman Mennonite Church,

**-Prayer for Nora** as she begins April 22; planning May youth activities. She will be in church April 28 for worship, SS gathering time and youth Sunday School. She will be in office May 1, 3 and leading worship May 5. Her e-mail is [oslermcpastor2@sasktel.net](mailto:oslermcpastor2@sasktel.net) and work cell: 306-260-6552.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*Senior's Pizza Supper & Sing-a-long, today, 5:00 pm. at Bethany Manor.** The Deacons are hosting a supper for those 70 years and older and their guest or spouse.



\*Rehearsal for our **Easter Choir: Practice next Sunday/Easter morning at 9:15am**, We will sing during the Easter worship service.

\***Looking for Acreage/Farm/Big Backyard Hosts for Sunday school picnic, Sunday, June 16.** Please talk to Lynette Janzen.

\***TODAY: Warman Community Band concert**, 2:00 pm at the Legends Center Auditorium- 107 Centennial Blvd in Warman.

\***TONIGHT at 7:30pm:** Station Singers present "**From Billy to Brahms - Love Songs for Spring**" at Nutana Park Mennonite Church. Buy tickets at the Station Arts or from choir members.

\*Out with the old and in with the new! **Our new church website** is <http://oslermennonitechurch.org> The old website is no longer used.

\***Project Thursdays** are in hiatus until fall. Watch for information on starting up again when the leaves start to change color ;)

\***Cabin Raising Help Needed at Shekinah April 22-27. 9 am – 5 pm:** Timber Frame work is guided - no experience necessary for sanding and varnishing. Lunch and snacks will be provided. All skilled and non-skilled laborers are invited. Please call the Shekinah office at 306.945.4929 for more information and to register.

\***CMU SINGERS on tour: Tuesday April 30 @ 7:30 PM**  
Join us for an evening of choral music with the Saskatoon Chamber Singers at Nutana Park Mennonite Church. Admission is Free— (offering taken). If you are able to host a student or two in your home, let me know and I will forward the information to the hosting coordinator. Abe Bergen at [<abergen@cmu.ca>](mailto:abergen@cmu.ca)

\***MDS Update** of April 10, 2019 is now posted on the far bulletin board, with many opportunities to volunteer for Disaster assistance.

\***RJC Annual Golf Classic:** May 25. See poster for more details.

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURES:

### Isaiah 45:15-17 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>15</sup> Verily thou art a God that hidest thyself, O God of Israel, the Saviour.

<sup>16</sup> They shall be ashamed, and also confounded, all of them: they shall go to confusion together that are makers of idols.

<sup>17</sup> But Israel shall be saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end.

### Luke 23:1-12 (The Inclusive New Testament)

Then the whole assembly arose and led Jesus to Pilate. They began to accuse Jesus by saying, "We found this one subverting our nation, opposing the payment of taxes to Caesar and even claiming to be Messiah, a king."

Then Pilate questioned Jesus: "Are you the King of the Jews?" "You have said it." Jesus answered.

Then Pilate reported to the chief priests and the crowds: "I find no guilt in him!"

But they insisted, "He stirs up the people wherever he teaches, through the whole of Judea, from Galilee to Jerusalem.

On hearing this, Pilate asked whether Jesus was a Galilean, and learning that Jesus was from Herod's jurisdiction, sent Jesus off to Herod, who was also in Jerusalem at this time.

Now, at the sight of Jesus, Herod was very pleased. From the reports he had heard about Jesus, he had wanted for a long time to see him. Herod hoped to see Jesus perform some miracle.

Herod questioned him at great length, but Jesus wouldn't answer. The chief priests and religious scholars stood there, accusing Jesus vehemently. So Herod and the soldiers treated Jesus with contempt and ridicule, put a magnificent robe upon him and sent him back to Pilate. Herod and Pilate, who had previously been set against each other, became friends that day.



\***Coro Nova** is a new choir with many singers rooted in RJC and choirs, including Sonrisa and A Buncha Guys. Inaugural season spring **Concert on Friday May 3rd at 7:30pm** at Knox United Church in Saskatoon. Tickets \$10.00 at the door, children free.

## YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

from Kirsten Hamm-Epp, MCSask Youth Minister

\***Honouring the Earth, April 24-25.** We will start at Shekinah at 2:30pm to help with their cabin build. **Bring good shoes and work gloves;** there will jobs for all skill levels. After supper at Shekinah we will transition to Mount Royal Mennonite Church in Saskatoon for the rest of the event. The night will include all sorts of games, Bible study, late-night pizza, and a throw back to an activity I am particularly looking forward to – ***Fear Factor!*** The event will end with breakfast at 9:30am, afterwards we will all go home and sleep! This is a free event, however, **RSVP's are needed** to provide for adequate transportation and food.

\***Youth Retreat at Camp Elim, May 24-26.** Ever since I began working for MC Sask I have wanted to host an event at Camp Elim, and I'm thrilled to finally be making that wish a reality this year! And not only that, but due to the cancellation of this year's Sr. High Retreat, this event is being opened up to ALL youth in grades 6-12. These changes speak volumes to our continued desire to create meaningful experiences for our youth of the wider church family they are part of, and I can't wait for this year's event. Our theme this year is, **Without a Doubt... Have Faith!** And our speaker, **Erika Enns Rodine**, comes from my home town! **Cost \$110** for youth and sponsors; see attached poster and registration letter for more details (*both will be mailed out from the office at the end of the month*).

\***Shake: Rattled by the Radical**, our summer youth gathering **July 28-August 1 at Shekinah Summer Camp:** We have confirmed groups coming from Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, and Ontario and so our hope of youth seeing and hearing youth from the wider Church is coming into being. (For this we give our gigantic gratitude to God!) See the Bulletin Board Poster and <http://prairieyouth.ca>.