

**MCC Connects:** Calling all artisans! The MCC Saskatchewan Relief Sale is exploring new opportunities to showcase and sell your creative pieces. Purchase a table for \$100 (which will be directed to MCC's fundraising efforts) and have the opportunity to sell your work to over 1,000 people. There are a limited number of tables so make sure that you secure your space now! For more information or to book your booth call the MCC office at 306.665.2555.

**\*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/>  
**For a sneak peek: A Sample of Voices Together is on the library desk for perusal.**

### OMC CALENDAR

Apr 29	Worship meeting @ Stephanie's, 7:00 pm
May 1	Executive meeting, 5:30 pm; Council 7:00 pm
May 3	Deacons meeting, 12:45 pm
May 8	Community Connections (M & S) meeting 7:00 pm
May 12	Child Dedication and Loose Change Sunday
May 18	Youth meeting @ OMC
May 24-26	Jr High Retreat at Camp Elim
June 16	Church Picnic @ Wilf & Ruth's.

Worship Leader: Christy Martens-Funk	Nursery: Sarah Buhler
Songleader: Kathryn Janzen	Pianist: Lynette Janzen
Sound: Rob Borne	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 28, 2019

## Bird Sunday

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

### Call to Worship:

One: When the birds were created, God said....

**Meadowlarks: It is a very good thing I have done!**

One: When Noah was on the floating boat, he released a dove.

**Mourning Doves: It was a dove that brought back green leaves to announce there was life.**

One: When God was lonely, God said....

**Prairie Chickens: I will gather you together like a hen gathers her young under her wings.**

**One: When we consider God's Creation, we say....**

**All: All that God has made is good.**

Slideshow of Birds in our Community

Invocation

**Hymns: Green/SJ #1**  
(on screen)

**“We sing to you, O God”**  
**“God sees the little bluebird fall”**

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

Welcome and Blessing of Nora Pederberg

Offering / Offertory Prayer

**Hymn: Green/SJ #103**

**“Why should I feel discouraged”**

Children's Gathering Song: Jesus Loves Me  
Children's Time: Jake Buhler

Scripture Readings: Psalm 104:12; Isaiah 40:31; Matthew 10:29-31

**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!**

Dance #1: The Sparrow falls and cannot fly - by Anna Neufeld  
Dance #2: The Eagle soars with grace - by Anna Neufeld

**Hymn: Green/SJ #118 "Thy holy wings"**

Sermon: "Sometimes we flutter and fail, and sometimes we soar" –  
Jake Buhler

**A Prairie Prayer**

Some small stress, no doubt, So I prayed that it would pass.  
A soaring hawk overhead took my grief  
And carried it to Heaven. (from *My People, My Place* by Jake Buhler)

**Hymn: Blue/HWB #596 "And I will raise you up"**

Benediction

*\*\*Bird photographs are primarily those of Bruce Boldt with a few by Wilf Buhler and Jake Buhler.*

*\*\*"Thanks to Eugene Penner for building the birdhouses, Robin Neudorf and Glen Grismer for arranging the exhibition, Anna Neufeld for dancing, Dan Richert for arranging the slides (mainly Bruce Boldt's), and for everyone else who is part of the service today." JB*

**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:**

- **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.
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**Patty's Week:** Mon: Worship mtg; Tues: worship planning, visit; Wed: office, exec., council; Fri: office.

**Nora's Week:** Mon: Worship mtg; Tues: worship planning; Wed: office, exec., council; Fri: office.

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**Next Sunday, May 5:** "Follow the Fallow: Sabbatical Reflections" by Patrick Preheim

Worship Leader: Nora Pederberg      Sound: Stephanie Siemens  
Song Leader: Loretta Sawatzky      Pianist: Naomi Schellenberg  
Children's Time: Patrick Preheim      Nursery: Adeline Cox  
Ushers: Dick Braun, Harold Loewen

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**Remember in Prayer:**

**-Pray for Nora** as she begins her work here at OMC as interim Pastor of Faith & Community. We welcome her today 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.

-Steph's new niece Hannah born on Easter and baby cousin's recovery.  
-the end of Rachel's radiation      -Michelle's friend in palliative care  
-the rejection of Wallah's immigration and the application of Lena's immigration.

## UPCOMING SERVICES

**May 12:** Child Dedication & sharing by parents / Loose Change

**May 19:** “The Spirituality of Reading” by Patty Friesen

**May 26:** “The Good News in Downtown Saskatoon” by Ty McKenzie, Lighthouse chaplain.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*Church Yard Maintenance Schedule for 2019 is out:** You will find a copy of the schedule in your mailbox and on the bulletin board. **If the week you are assigned is not good for you, please switch with someone else.** Thanks again for your participation and co-operation in helping to keep our church yard looking lovely. **First up- for the week of May 1-4: Dick & Kathy Braun, Matthew Braun & Julie Bergen.**

**\*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.

**\*RJC Info Night: Tuesday, May 14.** We invite prospective students and their families to join us for dinner and in information session to learn more about what RJC has to offer. Dinner at **5:30pm**, Presentation at **6:15pm**. Please RSVP to Alex Tiessen at [admissions@rjc.sk.ca](mailto:admissions@rjc.sk.ca) or call (306) 232-4222.

**\* ANNUAL RJC STUDENT FUNDRAISING EVENT, May 23 -** Students will compete in the 11th annual **Record Setting Spectacular**, a fundraiser towards student activities (class retreats, athletics, fine arts and the school yearbook). An afternoon is set aside for this fun event, where teams attempt to “better” records set in previous years. Money raised is tax deductible (donations of \$20 or more). We appreciate your assistance as our students ask friends and family (from now until May 23) for pledges to support their teams and RJC.

**\*RJC ANNUAL GOLF CLASSIC, May 25 -** We invite you to join us for the Annual Golf Classic held at the Rosthern Valley Regional Golf Course, [Saturday, May 25, 2019](#). Please register by email, mail or phone by May 20. Registration forms can be found online at [rosthernjuniorcollege.ca](http://rosthernjuniorcollege.ca), by phoning 306-232-4222, or emailing [development@rosthernjuniorcollege.ca](mailto:development@rosthernjuniorcollege.ca). Feel free to register as an individual or as a foursome.

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

## TODAY’S SCRIPTURES:

**Psalm 104:12** “The birds of the sky nest by the waters; they sing among the branches.”

**Isaiah 40:31** “But those who trust in the Lord will find new strength. They will soar high on wings like eagles. They will run and not grow weary. They will walk and not faint.”

**Matthew 10: 29-31** “Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father’s care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. So don’t be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.”