

MCC Connects: What does Reconciliation mean to you? A new MCCS project has been asking people this question for our podcast called *Reconcile: Everyday Conversations*. The podcast is invitational and personal with a wide variety of perspectives. Have a listen today at mccsk.ca/reconcile-podcast.

***RJC Tournament of Memories- Feb 1-2** - Alumni, family and friends should register for basketball by Jan 28th: email deneldafast@hotmail.com Hockey will consist of current students, young alumni and not so young alumni (figure out where you fit!) To register or for info, contact Jamieson Fitzgerald (jamiesonfitzgerald@gmail.com) Questions: contact Denelda at [306-221-2846](tel:306-221-2846) or RJC office at [306-232-4222](tel:306-232-4222).

“Who the Mennonites are: A Look at the various Traditions and Beliefs” with Jake Buhler. MCC – 600 45 St W, Sktn. **Jan 23, 7:00pm.** See the bulletin board poster.

OMC CALENDAR

Jan 15 Worship Committee meeting, 7:00 pm
Jan 17 Adult Choir, 7:00 pm
Jan 18 Deacons meeting, 12:45 pm
Jan 18 YOUTH: Friday Nite Live @ RJC: Meet at OMC 5:00 pm.
Jan 19 Serve at Friendship Inn
Jan 20 Winter Study & Potluck.
Jan 24 Adult Choir, 7:00 pm
Jan 31 Adult Choir, 7:00 pm
Feb 1-3 YOUTH: Senior High Retreat @ Shekinah
Feb 2 Annual General Meeting, 9:30 am

Worship Leader: Terri Lynn Friesen Sound: Matthew Stefaniuk
Song leader: Kevin Boldt Pianist: Melanie Boldt
Ushers: Carl Martens-Funk, Lloyd S. Nursery: Marlene Campbell

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
January 13, 2019

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship: Psalm 29

One: Give glory to the Lord you heavenly court,
give the Lord glory and strength!

**All: Give forth the glory that God's Name deserves,
and worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness!**

One: The voice of the Lord resounds over the waters;
the God of glory thunders over the raging seas.

All: God's voice is powerful, God's voice is full of majesty.

One: The voice of the Lord snaps cedars, shatters the cedars of
Lebanon.

**All: It makes Lebanon skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young
wild ox.**

One: The voice of the Lord strikes with bolts of lightning;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness.

**All: The voice of God twists the oaks and strips the forests
bare; and in God's temple all cry, "Glory!"**

One: The Lord sits in judgement over the flood;
The Lord is its Ruler forever.

**All: Give strength to your people, Yahweh!
Bless your people with peace!**

Invocation

Hymns: Blue/HWB #124 “O worship the Lord”

Blue/HWB #220 “Worship the Lord in the beauty”

Children's Gathering Song: Jesus Loves Me

Children's Time: Lacey MacKenzie

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayers of the Church
Offering / Offertory Prayer

Hymn: Green/SJ # 90 “Lord we bring to you our children”

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 43:1-7

First Gospel Reading: Luke 2:41-51

Hymn: Blue/HWB #183 “On Jordan’s banks the Baptist’s Cry”

Gospel Reading: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

Sermon: “It Takes a Faith Community to Raise a Child to Love God”
Patty Friesen

Hymn: Blue/HWB #420 “Heart with loving heart united”

Spoken Benediction: By the under mercy of our God, the dawn from
on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness,
and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.
Amen.

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 - 9:30 am.
- **Beverages & Snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15 am.

THIS WEEK:

- **Thurs, Jan 17: Adult Choir, 7:00pm**
- **Friday, Jan 18, Deacons meeting, 12:45pm**
- **Friday, Jan 18: YOUTH: Friday Nite Live @ RJC: Meet at OMC at 5:00pm**
- **Saturday, Jan 19: Serve at Friendship Inn**
- **Sunday, Jan 20: OMC Winter Study & POTLUCK**

Next Sunday, Jan 20: “From death to life”– Pauline Steinmann
Worship Leader: Patty Friesen Song leader: Michelle
McKinnell Pianist: Mark Bigland-Pritchard Children’s
Time: Patty Friesen Sound: Stephanie Siemens
Nursery: Diana Buhler Ushers: Carl MF, Lloyd S

Patty’s Week: Tues:sermon, worship mtg, Wed: office, visits,
Friday:office, deacons, Sat: Friendship Inn

Terri Lynn’s Week: Tues: SS planning, worship meeting (pm),
Wed: office (am), Fri: office (am), Friday Night Live(pm), Sat:
Youth @ Friendship Inn.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Jan 20 “My Journey with Ignatian Prayer” – Pauline Steinman,
MC SK Spirituality Resource Team

Jan 27 “The Spirituality of Social Justice” – Jan Bigland-Pritchard

Feb 3 “The Spirituality of the Enneagram for a Congregation”
-Joe Heikman

Remember in Prayer:

- \$5200 Accessibility Grant received for automatic doors.
- Warman Special Care Home Quarantine
- students returning to school
- families returning to routine
- those finishing OMC committee terms,
- those with health concerns
- Condolences to Lois Miller on the death of her mother on New Year’s Day

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***OMC Church Family Exchange** now on bulletin board across
from mailboxes for home businesses, school fundraisers, wanted ads.
Please date and update every 6 months. Talk to Christy with
questions.

***Service opportunities in January:** Please check bulletin board for
January sign-ups for Friendship Inn, Sunday school and Coffee.
Thank you for serving our community in this way.

Mennonite Church Saskatchewan Spirituality Resource Team

Pauline Steinman, former pastor at Wildwood Mennonite Church, currently attends Tiefengrund Mennonite Church and has recently done interim ministry at Eigenheim Mennonite Church. Pauline completed a 40 Day Ignatian Prayer Retreat and will preach about this life-changing experience on January 20 at OMC.

Eileen Klaassen is a retired chaplain from City Hospital where she worked with Julie Bergen. Eileen is serving as interim pastor at Wildwood Mennonite Church along with Joe Heikman. Eileen is a spiritual director and attends Mount Royal Mennonite Church.

John Gascho works for the Town of Osler and leads Centering Prayer at Osler Mennonite Church and teaches youth Sunday School, God bless him.

Melody Neufeld is a social worker with seniors and attends Mount Royal Mennonite Church where she leads Adult Education. Melody preached about her pilgrimage on the Camino trail in Spain at OMC July 2016 but the power was out because a bird hit the transformer, so she couldn't show her slides.

MC SK EVENTS:

--**January 25 - 27 Eigenheim Mennonite Church invites you to "Unsettling Discipleship: The Cost of Colonialism and the Joy of Jubilee," with Steve Heinrichs**, Director of Indigenous Relations for Mennonite Church Canada. (This is the same workshop Steve presented at Rosthern Mennonite last winter. If you missed it the first time round, here's your second chance!) Sessions will begin at 7 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. Saturday. Lunch will be provided. Call or text Donna Schulz (306-232-7447) if you plan to attend Saturday's sessions. You are also welcome to join us Sunday morning when Steve will lead the adult Sunday school class beginning at 10 a.m. and present the message during worship, which begins at 11 a.m.

--**Sing, Sip & Socialize** – January 26, 7:00 pm at the MCC Centre, Saskatoon. Come join us for an evening of hymn singing (led by Sparky & the Plugs), coffee, and fellowship with the MC Canada Joint Council. The Joint Council will also be available to give updates and answer questions about MC Canada.

--**March 8 & 9** MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions at Zoar Waldheim co-hosted by Eigenheim Mennonite and Zoar Mennonite

An INVITATION from the Vine & Table:** We are hosting a 4-week Dinner/Discussion Group at The Vine & Table. We will gather for dinner, and then watch a four-part video series called Food Forethought published by Regent College that explores food, community and creation through the lens of our Christian faith. The group will meet for **4 Wednesdays, beginning this week - January 16, from 6-8pm**. We have enough space for a few more people to join us, so please talk to Terri Lynn or Thomas if you're interested. * If you're interested but can't commit to these dates - talk to Terri Lynn about hosting it again as a film night at OMC. ****

***CHOIR SEEKS SINGERS!**

Saint Augustine said it (and we agree): "He who sings, prays twice". That's why we're looking for **well-intentioned amateurs** to join us weekly, for a 90-minute rehearsal, AKA "Worship Through Music". We (Merel & Keith) have picked pieces that will blow open closed hearts. And put you in touch with the magnitude of this thing called "life".

Our community choir is open to anyone who loves music and wants to learn more. Please bring your friends and neighbours!

Ready to surprise yourself (and your church family), singing better than you'd ever imagined? Want to discover the tricks of creating a performance that sends shivers up peoples' spines, and makes them cry?

For all of that (plus, the obvious pro of earning celestial brownie points), join us for the **first rehearsal on THURSDAY, January 17, 7:00 p.m.** at Osler Mennonite Church (healthy snack is included).

Winter Study on January 20:** "Spiritual Practices" by Pauline Steinman and the MCSK Spirituality Team of John Gascho, Eileen Klaassen and Melody Neufeld. The day will include the ***Worship service, Adult Sunday School presentation, Potluck and an afternoon follow-up session.

Lunch Committee Group M-Z with leaders Carl Martens-Funk and Diane McKinnell, in charge of potluck set-up & clean-up.

***Considering baptism or church membership in the new year?** Please talk to Terri Lynn or Patty for a possible March 24 Shekinah Retreat Joining Day.

YOUTH EVENTS:

***Friday Night Live - Fri Jan 18th @ RJC!** Starting with supper at 5:30pm @ RJC. Meet at OMC @ 5pm for carpooling. Please RSVP to Terri Lynn via the google calendar; RJC needs numbers in advance to serve us a delicious dinner!

***Sr. High Youth Retreat @ Shekinah - Feb 1-3** - For Gr. 9-12. Talk to Terri Lynn and see the Poster on the Bulletin Board.

***Serving at Friendship Inn- Sat Jan 19** - Youth are welcome to Terri Lynn's after; for debriefing, snacks and games. **11am - 3pm.**

***Church Photo Directory pictures will be taken here on February 8 & 9. There is a Sign-up sheet in the foyer to book your picture appointment time.** If you will not be able to come to have your picture taken on those dates, please submit your own photo by **Feb 3.**

***OMC Directory Address Update:** If there are changes to your mailing address, email address or phone numbers, please make the changes in the blue directory book next to the photo appointment sign-up sheets.

***A Summary report of the Congregational & Pastoral Review** is available in paper copy on the podium. The congregation can talk with any member of council if they would like further information.

***WEEK OF PRAYER for Christian Unity** has opportunities for intentional prayer in Saskatoon every day from January 20 -25. Please see the bulletin board poster for details.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES:

Isaiah 43:1-7

43 But now thus says the LORD, the One who created you, O Jacob, the One who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you.

³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia^[a] and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life.

⁵Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth— ⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

Luke 2:41-51 (NRSV) The Boy Jesus in the Temple

⁴¹Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. ⁴²And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. ⁴³When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. ⁴⁴Assuming that he was in the group of travelers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. ⁴⁶After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸When his parents^[a] saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, "Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety." ⁴⁹He said to them, "Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?"^[b] ⁵⁰But they did not understand what he said to them. ⁵¹Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart.

Luke 3:15-17 (NRSV)

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah,^[a] ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with^[b] the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

Luke 3:21-22 The Baptism of Jesus

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."