MCC Connects: Be a part of MCC Saskatchewan's exciting new project - Grow Hope! You can be a part of Grow Hope by sponsoring a partial acre, full acre or more. As your sponsorship grows and multiplies, so do the seeds planted by the farmer on the Grow Hope field. For more information or to sponsor an acre please visit mccsk.ca/grow-hope.

*Centering Prayer Group: The initial meeting will be at 7:30pm on Tuesday August 27th at Osler Mennonite Church. This group will meet bi-weekly. Please feel free to share this invitation with others who may be interested in the practice of Centering Prayer.

What is the most expensive fish?

- A goldfish.

OMC CALENDAR

Aug 20-22	VBS, 6:00-8:00 pm each evening
Aug 27	Centering Prayer Group meets 7:30 pm
Aug 30	Deacons committee meeting 12:45 pm
Sept 4	Community Connections Committee meeting 5:30 pm
Sept 8	Sunday School for all ages resumes

Worship Leader: Stephanie Siemens Sound: Doug McKinnell Song leader: Kathryn Janzen Pianist: Lynette Janzen

Ushers: Susan Braun, Cornie Guenther

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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

July 28, 2019

Singing Sunday

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements / Explanation of call for favourite songs or scriptures

Musical Call to Worship *HWB/Blue #306 "In Christ there is no East or West"

Invocation

Scripture Reading: Colossians 2:6-15

Hymn: SJ/Green #45 "In the morning when I rise"

Favourite Song or Scripture in times of joy

Reflections on songs in times of joy - Stephanie Siemens

Children's Gathering Song: Jesus Loves Me

Children's Time - Kathy Braun

Hymn: HWB/Blue #564 "I am trusting thee, Lord Jesus"

Sharing of Joys & Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Scripture Reading: Zephaniah 1:7-11, 3:18-20

Favourite Song or Scripture in times of sorrow

Reflection on songs in times of sorrow – Stephanie Siemens

Offertory Prayer

Offering / Offertory music: How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

Scripture Reading: Psalm 138

Favourite Song or Scripture in times of gratitude

Reflection on songs in times of gratitude – Stephanie Siemens

Benediction

Sung Benediction: HWB/Blue #118 "Praise God from whom"

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

Offering can be e-transferred to osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com

Next Sunday, Aug 4: Gordon Allaby, Luke 12:13-21, Life is Not

What We Own.

Worship Leader: Dave Feick Sound: Steph S + Micah G Song Leader: Ben Buhler Pianist: Diana Buhler

Children's Time: Adeline Cox

Ushers: Karl Martens, John Gascho

Patty's Week: Tues: worship, visit; Wed: office, visit; Fri-Mon:

Women's Canoe Trip on the Churchill River

Nora's Week: Shakin' it up at the Youth Conference at Shekinah.

Remember in Prayer:

-MC Canada Youth Conference (SHAKE) @ Shekinah with Nora, Braeden, Zachary and Alex Tiessen attending,

UPCOMING SERVICES

Aug 11: Patty Friesen: Jonah and the Whale **Aug 18**: Zac Stefaniuk: Feeding the 5000

Aug 25: Patty Friesen: The Fruit of the Spirit Part 1 Dave Feick & Keith Boldt at Bethany Manor

Sept 1: Patty Friesen: The Fruit of the Spirit Part 2 **Sept 8**: Patty Friesen: The Fruit of the Spirit Part 3

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Bill Braun has moved to room #222 at Luther Special Care Home.

*Next Sunday: Special coffee planned for after worship.

***Summer emergency care** - if Patty 306-260-6069 or Nora 306-260-6552 are not available, please call George 306-280-1775, Ben 306-221-0716, Loretta 306-281-2237 or Dave F 306-270-5031.

*We have extra Church Photo Directories for sale at \$15 each if you would like to purchase one for extended family members. Talk to Loretta or email the church office.

*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 in helping to keep our church yard looking lovely. For the week of July 31-Aug 3: Mark Bigland-Pritchard and Keith Boldt & Merel Kreigsman.

*August 10, 2019 - Spruce River Folk Festival is a cultural event of music and ceremony held annually to raise awareness of Landless Indigenous Bands in Saskatchewan. *Proceeds to MCC's Stoney Knoll Fund*. Come, enjoy the good music, food and silent auction and learn more about Landless Bands in Saskatchewan! Admission: \$10/person or \$20 for families. See bulletin board poster for details.

*Shekinah work days, Aug. 22 and 23 from 9-5. Help really spruce the place up for the 40th anniversary on Aug. 25. Volunteers will be fed. Projects include: cutting wood, trail work, moving the bridge for the Ravine trail, cabin work (exterior staining, installing fireplace, solar panels), grounds grooming, mowing, stain deck of Timber Lodge, small repairs, feeding the volunteers. It helps us know how much food to prepare if you reply, however, come for whatever you can whether you reply or not. Shekinah: 306-945-4929.

*Help Shekinah celebrate their 40th Anniversary on August 25, 2019 at Shekinah Retreat Centre. Bring a lawn chair and spend the day with us! We'll start things off with an outdoor church service at 10:30 am, followed by lunch (by donation) and an afternoon of games and frivolity. Everyone welcome.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES: Colossians 2:6-15

Since you have received Christ Jesus, live your whole life in our Savior. Send your roots deep and grow strong in Christ—firmly established in the faith you've been taught, and full of thanksgiving. Make sure that no one traps you and deprives you of your freedom by some secondhand, empty and deceptive philosophy that is based on the principles of the world instead of Christ.

In Christ the fullness of divinity lives in bodily form, and in Christ you find your own fulfillment—in the One who is the head of every Sovereignty and Power. In Christ you have been given the Covenant through a transformation performed not by human hands, but by the complete stripping away of your body of flesh. This is what "circumcision" in Christ means. In baptism you were not only buried with Christ but also raised to life, because you believed in the power of God who raised Christ from the dead. And though you were dead in sin and did not have the Covenant, God gave you new life in company with Christ, pardoning all our sins. God has canceled the massive debt that stood against us with all its hostile claims, taking it out of the way and nailing it to the cross. In this way God disarmed the Principalities and the Powers and made a public display of them after having triumphed over them at the cross.

Zephaniah 1:7-11

Be silent before the Lord God! For the day of the Lord is at hand; God has prepared a sacrifice, and has consecrated the guests. And on the day of the Lord's sacrifice, I will punish the officials and the king's sons. and all who dress themselves in foreign attire. On that day I will punish all who leap over the threshold, who fill their master's house with violence and fraud. On that day, says the Lord, a cry will be heard from the Fish Gate, a wail from the Second Quarter, a loud crash from the hills. The inhabitants of the Mortar wail, for all the traders have perished; all who weigh out silver are cut off.

Zephaniah 3:18-20

I will remove disaster from you, so that you will not bear reproach for it. I will deal with all your oppressors at that time. And I will save the lame and gather the outcast, and I will change their shame into praise and renown in all the earth.

At that time I will bring you home, at the time when I gather you; for I will make you renowned and praised among all the peoples of the earth, when I restore your fortunes before your eyes, says the Lord.

Psalm 138

I give you thanks with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness,

for you have exalted above all things your name and your word. On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased. All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth,

and they shall sing of your ways, for great is the glory of the Lord. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life; your right hand delivers me.

You will fulfill your purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

You do not forsake the work of your hands.