

MCC Connects: Buckets of Thanks is back! This Thanksgiving give the gift of basic hygiene supplies! When you collect basic hygiene items to make a Bucket of Thanks, you provide supplies to families whose lives have been disrupted by war or disaster. Join us at the MCC Centre (600 45th Street West) in Saskatoon on **October 17th** as we pack kits and respond to the needs of people around the world. For more information and to find out how you can help this Thanksgiving, please visit www.mccbuckets.ca OR call our office at 306.665.2555.

***Canadian Mennonite subscriptions:** All who attend OMC may receive a subscription to *Canadian Mennonite*. The biweekly magazine is delivered in print, by email, or both. Subscriptions are paid for collectively through MCSK. **To start a new subscription, add digital delivery to an existing print subscription, or switch to digital-only, please contact the church office.** We will submit our congregation's subscription list by **October 2**.

OMC CALENDAR

Sept 24 Centering Prayer Group 7:30 pm
Sept 25 Community Connections Committee mtg 4:30 pm
Sept 27 Mega Menno Youth at Corn Maze in Rosthern
Sept 29 Worship Workshop, Noon – 2:00 pm
Sept 30 Worship committee meeting, 7:00 pm
Oct 13 Communion during the worship service

Worship Leader: Nora Pederberg Sound: Steph S + Micah G
Song Leader: Michelle McKinnell Pianist: Naomi Schellenberg
Nursery: Lucy Friesen Ushers: Harold Loewen + Anna Peters

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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

September 22, 2019

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship:

Leader: Seekers of God, you are here and God is here.

People: We open our eyes to see anew.

(Silence)

Leader: Lovers of God, you are here and God is here.

People: We open our hearts to be touched anew.

(Silence)

Leader: Followers of God, you are here and God is here.

People: We open our minds to learn anew.

(Silence)

Leader: People of God, you are here and God is here.

People: We open ourselves to be filled anew.

Invocation

Hymns: Blue/HWB #16 “God is here among us”
Blue/HWB #303 “Come, gracious Spirit”

Children’s Gathering Song: Jesus Loves Me

Children’s Time – Vanessa Stefaniuk

Offertory Prayer / Offering

Sharing of Joys & Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Hymns: Blue/HWB #327 “Great is thy faithfulness”
Blue/HWB #570 “We walk by faith”

Scripture Readings: Luke 16: 1-13; Romans 8: 24-27

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: "Fruit of the Spirit: Faithfulness" Alex Tiessen

Sung Benediction: Purple/SS #49 "I will come to you" vs 1-3

Spoken Benediction

Sung Benediction: Purple/SS #49 verse 4

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.

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

TODAY:

- **Centering Prayer** in Prayer Room #003 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:

- **Tuesday, Sept 24: Centering Prayer Group 7:30 pm**
- **Wed, Sept 25: Community Connections meeting 4:30 pm**
- **Friday, Sept 27: Mega Menno Youth at Corn Maze.** Meet at the Corn Maze, 7:00 pm, at the Rosthern Youth Farm.

NEXT SUNDAY:

- **Fall Worship Workshop for all those interested in worship, Sunday, Sept 29, 12:00 Pizza, 12:30-2:00 discussion with Lois Siemens - sign-up on bulletin board.**

NEXT SUNDAY, Sept 29: Fruit of the Spirit: Patience by Patty F
Worship Leader: Ian Osmond SongLeader: Kathryn Janzen
Children's Time: Patty Friesen Pianist: Lynette Janzen
Sound: Steph S + Micah G Nursery: Sarah Buhler
Ushers: Harold Loewen + Anna Peters

UPCOMING SERVICES

Oct 6 Fruit of the Spirit: Self-Control by Patty Friesen

Oct 13 Fruit of the Spirit: Thankfulness by Patty Friesen
Communion

Oct 20 Dan Epp-Thiessen, CMU Portable Seminar on "Surviving & Thriving despite Cancer (and other major life crises)".

Oct 27 Ryan Siemens preaching

Patty's Week: Tues: sermon, visit; Wed: office, Community Connections; Fri: office, visit.

Nora's Week: Mon: Work at Home; Wed: Work in Office; Friday: Afternoon in office & evening Youth Event! Sat: Mtg with CMU rep

Remember in Prayer:

- Doug's 70th birthday
 - Dan R's ongoing recovery
 - Michelle's work as Vice Principal
 - Karl's new job for Worker's Comp
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

***New Hymnals:** MCSask is preparing a group order for the new hymnal, *Voices Together* for the beginning of October to take advantage of all available discounts. **A sign up sheet for you to order your personal copy(s) is available in the foyer this morning and next Sunday (September 29). Hymnals are \$30, Worship Leader Editions (no music, only materials for worship leaders) are \$15, Large Print Editions are \$60. We ask that you pay for your order now by cash, cheque or e-transfer. This purchase will not be eligible for a receipt. There will be opportunity to donate copies (eligible for receipt!) in memory of loved ones in November, to coincide with Memorial Sunday. Please note that your new hymnal won't arrive until November of 2020!**

***Monday Kids Bible and Adult Convo:** Please join us at the church on **Monday evenings at 7:00 pm**. Kids who would like can join Christy for a short Bible study and discussion, followed by crafts and/or play, while adults visit and bring any knitting or other projects they might like to do. As Christy is busy with meetings most of Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, the easiest way to reach her will be to text at 306-381-9487. Please let her know if you have any questions, or concerns.

***YOUTH: Friday, September 27th: Mega Menno Corn Maze.** Meet at the Corn Maze, 7:00 pm, at the Rosthern Youth Farm.

***Please join Diane M, Cornie G, Jake B and others, to attend the MCC Sask Annual meeting on Saturday, September 28** from 1:30 to 4:00 pm at the MCC Center (600 45th St W, Saskatoon). Register at saskoffice@mccsk.ca call 306-665-2555 or show up unannounced and surprise yourself.

***The Town of Osler Food Shelf** is requesting the following:
nutri bars, cereal, chef boyardee so the Community Connection Committee have put out the large collection box in the foyer in hopes of helping the food shelf!

***Are you interested in a Rejoice Devotional subscription?** We have three subscriptions available on the table in the foyer. We are requesting that those who subscribe pay as they are able to help cover the cost.

***Adult Sunday School, 11:15-12:00: Mosaic Class** in Nursery (Kevin), **Bible class** in Room 007 (Jake).
A new SS class is starting: **Christianity and Culture Class** in Room 003 (Prayer Room)
Christianity and Culture Cancelled Today.
Sept 29 - Reserve 107/We Shall Stand Up: The role of film in indigenous rights led by Steph Siemens
Oct 6: Self-Control and the Principles of Alcoholics Anonymous
Oct 13: John Redekopp on Retirement
Oct 20: Dan Epp-Thiessen SS Forum on Surviving Cancer
Oct 27: Ryan Siemens, Mennonite Church Saskatchewan

***It's the time we've all been waiting for – Coffee and Snack Time!!** There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Please take advantage of this opportunity to share your garden veggies and fruit, or your baking talents.

***Anyone interested in baptism or joining OMC?** We will have church membership and child dedication on Thanksgiving Sunday, **October 13**. Please talk to Patty or Nora.

***Sunday, Oct 20: Dan Epp-Tiessen**, Associate Professor of Bible at CMU, will be here to lead us in a topical discussion on **“Surviving and Thriving despite Cancer (and other major life crises)**. He will preach during the Worship service and we will have an Adult Sunday School Forum plus another session after the noon potluck.

***Sunday, Oct 20: Potluck at noon. Lunch group A-C**, with leaders Wilf Buhler and Kaytee Edwards Buhler, are in charge of set-up and clean-up.

***Church Yard Maintenance Schedule for 2019: 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 Sept 25-28: Dick Braun & Eugene Penner.**

***Orange Shirt Day: Every Child Matters, Monday, Sept 30.** Wear your brightest orange shirt to remember the many things that were stolen from Indigenous children and communities by the Indian Residential School system and to celebrate the hope that persists in the face of evil. More info at orangeshirtday.org

*** Saturday, October 19, 9:00am-4:30pm: MCSK Equipping Day “Deepening our Walk with Each Other” at RJC.** Special guest speaker Tom Yoder Neufeld. More information and registration forms are on the bulletin board. Please let Doug McKinnell know if you are interested in going. This event is open to everyone.

RJC NEWS:

****RJC Alumni Soccer & Volleyball, October 4 & 5** - Every year RJC Alumni organizes and hosts a weekend featuring volleyball and soccer. If you are an alumnus (or friend or spouse of an alumnus) or if your child is playing in the tournament, come join in the fun. Soccer will be Saturday only - meet in the Rehearsal Hall at 10:00 and bring a white and dark t-shirt and \$5.00. Email deneldafast@hotmail.com to register for volleyball by October 1st or for more information. A delicious lunch will be available in the Rehearsal Hall between 11:00 and 1:00. Don't miss out on seeing some old friends!

****We invite all alumni and supporters to join us for RJC's annual Homecoming & Fundraising Dinner on Saturday October 26th at RJC.** Doors open at 5pm with dinner and the show starting at 6pm. This year we present "Gymn Sing - A Celebration of the Music Legacy of RJC!" Live and silent auction will occur throughout the evening. Tickets are \$15 and can be reserved by phone 306.232.4222 or by email office@rosthernjuniorcollege.ca.

****RJC Annual Corporation Meeting:** Before heading to the gym for our GymnSing Homecoming evening, we invite all members of our constituency to attend our **annual meeting on Saturday, October 26 at 4:30pm** in the RJC Chapel.

***Friday, October 25: Please join Mennonite Disaster Service** for the Annual Fall Supper and Information Night at 6:30 p.m. at Hague Mennonite Church (202 3rd Street, Hague, Saskatchewan). Come fellowship over dinner and hear stories from guest speakers, Peter and Susan Thiessen, as they recount their experiences with the Grand Forks 2018 BC Flood rebuilding and more. Call Ike at (306) 342-4344 for more information and to reserve your seat.

***SAVE-THE-DATE: On the evening of October 26th you are all invited to help celebrate Steph's 30th birthday at Shekinah!** It'll be a come-and-go, family-friendly event, with more details coming soon. I hope you all can make it!

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES: (The Inclusive Bible)

Luke 16: 1-13

1 Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a wealthy landowner who, having received reports of a steward mismanaging the property, 2 summoned the steward and said, 'What's this I hear about you? Give me an account of your service, for it's about to come to an end.' 3 The steward thought, 'What will I do next? My employer is going to fire me. I can't dig ditches. I'm ashamed to go begging. 4 I have it! Here's a way to make sure that people will take me into their homes when I'm let go.' 5 So the steward called in each of the landowner's debtors. The steward said to the first, 'How much do you owe my employer?' 6 The debtor replied, 'A hundred jars of oil.' The steward said, 'Take your invoice, sit down quickly and make it fifty.' 7 To another the steward said, 'How much do you owe?' The answer came, 'A hundred measures of wheat,' and the steward said, 'Take your invoice and make it eighty.' 8 "Upon hearing this, the owner gave this devious worker credit for being enterprising! Why? Because the children of this world are more astute in dealing with their own kind than are the children of light.

9 So I tell you: make friends for yourselves through your use of this world's goods, so that when they fail you, you'll be welcomed into an eternal home. 10 If you can trust others in little things, you can also trust them in greater, and anyone unjust in a slight matter will also be unjust in a greater. 11 If you can't be trusted with filthy lucre, who will trust you with true riches? 12 And if you haven't been trustworthy with someone else's money, who will give you your own? 13 "Subordinates can't have two superiors. Either they'll hate the one and love the other, or be attentive to the one and despise the other. You can't worship both God and Money."

Romans 8: 24-27

24 In hope we were saved. But hope is not hope if its object is seen; why does one hope for what one sees? 25 And hoping for what we cannot see means awaiting it with patient endurance. 26 The Spirit, too, comes to help us in our weakness. For we don't know how to pray as we should, but the Spirit expresses our plea with groanings too deep for words. 27 And God, who knows everything in our hearts, knows perfectly well what the Spirit is saying, because her intercessions for God's holy people are made according to the mind of God.