MCC Connects: Join us for the Great Winter Warm-Up on January 18th, 2020, from 1-5 pm at one of three Saskatchewan events in Saskatoon, Swift Current and Rosthern! Help us touch the lives of people in need while celebrating MCC's 100th anniversary. We are attempting to create and collect 6,500 comforters across North America to deliver to people affected by conflict and disaster around the world. For more information, check out the website at mccsk.ca/great-winter-warmup-sk or call the office at 306.665.2555.

RJC TOURNAMENT OF MEMORIES - January 31-February 1

- Basketball and Hockey! Register by January 27 by email (deneldafast@hotmail.com) or phone (306-221-2846). Basketball games will be played Friday evening and Saturday. Hockey teams spanning many years will play together on Saturday at the RJC arena. A nutritious lunch will be served in the dining hall for all participants and spectators.

OMC CALENDAR

Jan 13,20,27 Kids Bible & Adult Convo 7:00 pm

Jan 15,22,29 Wednesday Bible Study 1:00 pm

Jan 13 Education committee meeting, 7:00 pm Worship committee meeting @ Kathryn's, 7:00 pm

Jan 15 Executive mtg, 5:30 pm; Council mtg 7:00 pm

Jan 17 Friday Night Live at RJC

Jan 18 Serve at Friendship Inn

Jan 26 MCC 100th Anniversary celebration service.

Eileen Klaassen-Hamm preaching. Potluck-Group D-L in charge.

Feb 8 OMC's AGM, 9:30 am

Worship Leader: Terry Stefaniuk Song Leader: Kevin Boldt Pianist: Melanie Boldt Sound: Steph S + Micah G Nursery: Lucy Friesen Ushers: Harold Loewen, Anna Peters

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

January 12, 2020

Prelude Welcome, Announcements

Call to Worship Invocation

Hymns: Blue/HWB #367 "For the healing of the nations" "God of grace and God of glory"

Children's Gathering Hymn: Jesus Loves Me

Children's Time: Nora Pederberg

Offering Prayer/Offertory

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

Old Testament Reading: Judges 16:23-30

Hymns: Blue/HWB #304 "There are many gifts: Purple/SS #115 "Beauty for brokenness"

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: "A Land without Milk or Honey: MCC reflections 20 years

Later" Karl Martens

Sung Benediction: Blue/HWB #323 "Beyond a dying sun" vs 1,2

Spoken Benediction: God of light, illumine our lives that we may see rightly, love deeply and act justly in the example of Jesus. Amen.

Sung Benediction: Verse 3 of "Beyond a dying sun"

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

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:

- Mon, Jan 13, 7:00 pm: Worship & Education committee meetings; Kids Bible & Adult Convo.
- Wed, Jan 15: Adult Bible Study, 1:00 pm
- Wed, Jan 15: Executive meeting 5:30 pm; Council meeting 7:00 pm; OMC Men's group 7:30 pm.
- Sat, Jan 18: Serve at Friendship Inn

NEXT SUNDAY: Jan 19: Nora Pederberg preaching

Worship Leader: Alex Tiessen Song Leader: Michelle McKinnell Pianist: Melanie Boldt Sound: James Tataryn Children's Time: Nursery: Marlene Campbell

Ushers: Harold Loewen, Anna Peters

UPCOMING SERVICES

Jan 26 MCC 100th Anniversary Service, Adult SS Forum and Potluck. Eileen Klaassen-Hamm speaking.

Feb 2 Patty Friesen preaching

Feb 9 Patty Friesen preaching

Patty's Week: Mon: worship; Tues: sermon, spiritual direction; Wed: office, exec, council; Fri: office; Sat: Friendship Inn.

Sun-Wed next week in Moose Jaw with Patrick.

Nora's Week: Mon: office, Education mtg; Wed: office, staff mtg, Council & Exec mtgs; Thurs: work from home; Fri: morning in office, afternoon mtg, evening youth event; Sat: office.

Remember in Prayer:

- -Lina Alnouri will have an interview with the Canadian embassy on February 5th.
- -the family of Bill Kruger as they mourn Bill's passing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Sunday, Jan 26: MCC 100th: Adult SS Forum 11:15 - we would like everyone who has ever volunteered with MCC to share for 2 minutes about what that experience meant for your faith and life and please email your reflections for our MCC 100 book to dkbraun4@yahoo.com.

Please wear MCC Thrift Store clothes to church.

Potluck at noon: Lunch Group D-L, with lunch leaders Margaret Dyck and Sandra Grismer, in charge.

- *Terri Lynn Friesen has decided not to return to OMC ministry after her maternity leave. We will have a sending blessing on Sunday, Jan. 26. Please sign the Hymnal on the lobby table with your favourite hymn.
- *MCC Celebrating 100 Years: "In 2020, as we celebrate 100 years of sharing God's love and compassion, we reaffirm our Christ-led commitment to the ministry of reconciliation. Reconciliation and peace are distinctives of our Anabaptist faith and encompass all aspects of life: MCC envisions communities worldwide in right relationship with God, one another and creation. This year, we invite you to reflect on your vision for reconciliation in your life, your work, your community and your world."
- *Committee Chairs: please have your annual reports to karlwmartens@gmail.com this week.

*OMC 2020 Directory will be printed in February. Please update your contact information in the directory sample on lobby table.

*Love Meals from leftover Christmas delights or making a double batch to deliver fresh or frozen to Rachel Buhler and Clint Neufeld in the next weeks, please call and deliver to Wilf and Ruth's house or to the deacons' freezer in Room 007 for deacon delivery. Love Meals can be frozen and delivered to Diana and Ben also or labelled and put in deacons freezer in Room 007. Please use recyclable containers that do not have to be returned. Contact deacons with questions.

*Art Zac Memorial MDS trip April 26-May 1 (after university for students). Please contact Harold Loewen if interested. MDS coffee fundraiser Sunday, February 16.

*Shekinah Retreat Centre and Carmen Corner Meats invite you to "Puttin' on the Ribz" in the Timber Lodge on January 25, 2020. Punch and live entertainment at 5:30, Rib Tasting at 6:00, followed by a gourmet rib dinner at 6:30. This fundraising banquet will support the Shekinah Summer Campership Program. Tickets are \$50/person. See the poster on the bulletin board for more details.

January Christianity and Culture Adult Sunday School class

Sun. Jan. 12 –Biblical perspective on Restorative Justice: Dave F Sun. Jan. 19 - Restorative Justice and older adults - exploring ageism, elder abuse, etc. and what an RJ response might be: Dave Feick Sun. Jan. 26 - MCC 100th SS Forum with Eileen Klassen-Hamm Sun. Feb. 2 -Community relations: Patty F

Wonderful Winter Wednesdays 1:00 p.m. Bible Study in January with George Janzen and Patty Friesen in the Coffee Room

Wed, Jan. 15, 1:00 p.m. Matthew 5-7 The Sermon on the Mount - George Janzen

Wed, Jan. 22, 1:00 p.m. Parables in Matthew's Gospel - Patty Wed, Jan. 29, 1:00 p.m. The Death and Resurrection of Christ in Matthew - George Janzen

RJC OPEN HOUSE & FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE - Friday, January 17 - Enjoy a free dinner, interactive tour, and live entertainment by RJC students! Dinner & Tours @ 5:30 pm, Coffeehouse @ 7:00 pm. RSVP to Alex Tiessen at admissions@rjc.sk.ca or call 306-232-4222.

*RJC 115 Turnaround Strategy Presentation & Reception on Thursday, January 30, 7 pm at the Station Arts Centre in Rosthern. More information on the bulletin board.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: Judges 16:23-30

- 23 The rulers of the Philistines gathered at the temple of their god Dagon to offer a great sacrifice and celebrate. They said, "Our god delivered our enemy Samson into our hands." 24 When the people saw their god's idol, they shouted his praise, chanting, "Our god delivered our enemy into our hands, the ravager of our land who multiplied our dead."
- 25 After the people got drunk, they said, "Bring out Samson, and make him entertain us!" When they brought out Samson to perform for them, standing him among the pillars, 26 Samson told the deputy holding his hand, "Put me where I can feel the pillars that support the temple, so that I can lean against them." 27 By this time the temple was full of men and women; the chieftains of the Philistines were there, along with about 3,000 men and women on the roof watching Samson entertain.
- 28 Then Samson prayed to YHWH, "sovereign YHWH, please remember me! Give me strength, God, just one more time, and let me strike one blow to get revenge on the Philistines for my two eyes." 29 Then Samson reached out to the two central pillars supporting the temple and braced himself, one with his right arm, the other with his left. 30 Samson said, "Let me die with the Philistines!" Then he pushed with all his strength. The temple crashed down on the chieftains and all the people inside it. So in one stroke Samson killed many more when he died than when he lived.