

MCC Connects: The Den is an MCC run after school program for 15 - 20 Indigenous and newcomer youth facing barriers in the Meadowgreen community of Saskatoon. For the year of 2020 we invite our local MCC community to support the Den by supplying snacks, your time, and your prayers. Please contact Kaytee Edwards Buhler for more information at KayteeEdwards@mccsk.ca or 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 20,27 Kids Bible & Adult Convo 7:00 pm
Jan 22,29 Wednesday Bible Study 1:00 pm
Jan 26 MCC 100th Anniversary celebration service with Eileen Klassen-Hamm preaching. **Potluck -Group D-L in charge.**
Feb 8 OMC's AGM, 9:30 am

Worship Leader: Alex Tiessen Song Leader: Michelle McKinnell
Pianist: Melanie Boldt Sound: James Tataryn
Nursery: Marlene Campbell Ushers: Harold Loewen, Anna Peters

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We gather on Treaty Six Lands, Nehiyaw Territory, and the Homeland of the Métis.



Osler Mennonite Church

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

January 19, 2020

Prelude
Welcome, Announcements

Call to Worship
Invocation

Hymns: Blue/HWB #226 “You are salt for the earth”
Green/SJ #30 “Jesus Christ is waiting”

Children's Gathering Hymn: Jesus Loves Me
Children's Time: Dan Richert

Offering Prayer/Offertory

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

Hymns: Green/SJ #27 “God of the Bible”
Blue/HWB #142 “Brothers and sisters of mine”

Old Testament Readings: Isaiah 49:1-11, Psalm 40:1-13

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: Margaret & Jim – MCC service sharing
Nora Pederberg

Sung Benediction: Green/SJ #87 “Put peace into each other’s hands” Verses: 1, 2, 3

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 5 of “Put peace into each other’s hands”

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:

- **Beverages & Snacks** available after the worship service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15 am
- **Restorative Justice – Room 3**

THIS WEEK:

- **Mon, Jan 20, 7:00 pm: Kids Bible & Adult Convo**
- **Wed, Jan 22: Adult Bible Study 1:00 pm**
- **Sun, Jan 26: POTLUCK**

NEXT SUNDAY: Jan 26: Celebrating MCC’s 100th Anniversary

Eileen Klassen-Hamm speaking. Adult SS Forum & Potluck

Worship Leader: Patty Friesen Song Leader: Loretta Sawatzky

Pianist: Naomi Schellenberg Sound: James Tataryn

Children’s Time: Kathy Braun Nursery: Sarah Buhler

Ushers: Harold Loewen, Anna Peters

UPCOMING SERVICES

Feb 2 Beatitudes and Communion

Feb 9 The Lord’s Prayer. Women’s Trio: Dayna, Kenna, Kathleen

Feb 16 George Janzen, Art Zac MDS Tribute

Patty's Week: Today - Wednesday in the Spa in Moose Jaw.

Friday: office, visit, Saturday: Shekinah Ribfest

Nora’s Week: Mon: Meeting & Visit in Saskatoon; Friday: In Osler Office

Remember in Prayer:

- Terry's preaching at Rosthern. - MC SK work
- Jake/John/Dick in Montreal with MHHS.
- Meadowgreen Kids' Club Christmas Party and Swim Night, thanks to OMC's SS Giving Project (Kaytee)
- George and Lynette's niece's death and funeral Friday

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.

***YOUTH: January 31st-February 2nd MCSask Youth Retreat at Shekinah Retreat Center.** Grades 6-12. Online registration is available on the MC Sask web page at the following link <https://mcsask.ca/youth-retreat/>.

***Diamond House Tour** (independent/assisted/memory care) **Weds. Feb. 5, 1:00 p.m.** for all interested OMCers. Meet 12:45 at OMC for carpooling from Osler or meet at Diamond House with quick hello to Anne Friesen. Coffee and discussion to follow at Dairy Queen.

***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."

***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). Financial Aid from MDS may be available 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.

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

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

***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. Please RSVP to ryan@rjc.sk.ca if you are planning to attend.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES: Isaiah 49:1-11 (The Inclusive Bible)

Islands, listen to me! Pay attention, distant peoples! Yhwh called me before I was born, and named me from my mother's womb. God made my mouth a sharp sword, and hid me in the shadow of the hand of the Most High. The Almighty made me into a sharpened arrow, and concealed me in God's quiver. The Holy One said to me, "You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified." I had been thinking, "I have toiled in vain, I have exhausted myself for nothing!"—yet all the while my cause was with Yhwh, and my reward was with my God. Thus says Yhwh, who formed me in the womb to be God's servant, who destined me to bring back the children of Jacob and gather again the people of Israel: "It is not enough for you to do my bidding, to restore the tribes of Leah, Rachel, and Jacob and bring back the survivors of Israel; I will make you the light of the nations, so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." Thus says Yhwh, the Redeemer of Israel, the Holy One, to the one deeply despised, the one abhorred by nations, the one enslaved by despots: "Rulers will stand when you walk in the room and court officials will pay homage because of Yhwh, who is faithful, because of the Holy One of Israel, who chose you." Thus says Yhwh: "At the time of my favor I will answer you, on the day of salvation I will help you. I will keep you, and appoint you to be a covenant people. I will restore the land and assign you the properties that have lain waste. I will say to the prisoners, 'Come out!' and to those who are in darkness, 'Show yourselves!' Congested roadways will become places where they can safely graze, and barren heights will become lush pastureland for them. 10 They will never hunger or thirst, and scorching wind and sun will never plague them; for the One who has compassion on them will lead and guide them to springs of water. 11 I will make roads through all the mountains, and my highways will be raised up,

Psalm 40:1-13 (The Inclusive Bible)

Unyielding, I called to you, Yhwh, now at last you have stooped to me and answered my cry for help. You have pulled me out of the Pit of destruction, out of its mud and quicksand; you set my feet on a rock and made my steps firm. You put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to you. Many will look on in wonder and so will put their trust in you.

Happiness comes to those who put their trust in Yhwh, instead of in human egos or people blind to the truth! how many wonders you've worked for us, Yhwh, my God! How many plans you've made for us; you have no equal! I want to recount them again and again, but their number is too great. You don't desire sacrifice or oblation, instead you made my ears receptive to you; you asked no burnt offering or sacrifice for sins from me. And so I declared, "Here I am! I have come! In the scroll of the book it is written about me." I desire to do your will, my God, and your law is written in my heart. "

I'll proclaim your justice in the Great Assembly, and I won't keep my mouth shut, as you well know.

10 I have never kept your generosity to myself, but announced your faithfulness and saving action; I have made no secret of your love and faithfulness in the Great Assembly. 11 For your part, Yhwh, don't withhold your love from me! Let your kindness and faithfulness constantly protect me!

Misfortunes surround me, far more than I can count; my sins entrap me and I am unable to escape. They outnumber the hairs on my head, and my courage is drained. 13 Hurry! Come to my rescue, Yhwh! Be swift to help me!