

Hello OMC Community,

July 19, 2020

**Worship Services:**

- **Please join us on our Facebook page for our July 19 worship service at 10:00 am.**

Sermon: Patty Friesen; Worship leader: Adeline Cox; Pianist: Melanie Boldt;  
Song leaders: Michelle McKinnell, Loretta Sawatzky; Sound: Doug McKinnell;  
Ushers: Lloyd Sawatzky, John Gascho.

**Upcoming Facebook Services:**

**Sunday, July 26:** No church service but you can see Pastors Patty and Patrick in the Osler Community Garden on Facebook. (11 minutes long)

**Sunday, August 2:** Live Streaming! Worship Leader and Sermon: George Janzen; Song Leaders: Kathryn Janzen, Michelle McKinnell, Ben Buhler; Pianist & Children's Time: Lynette Janzen; Sound: Stephanie Siemens; Ushers: Bill & Anne Peters

**Sunday, August 9: 9:30 Zoom Communion with Deacons and Patty** (service attached and link below). Please have a cracker or piece of bread, juice or water ready. If you would like to join with telephone - please let Patty know.

**Sunday, August 9, 10:00 am:** Facebook video of Dayna and Matthew's wedding.

OMC Zoom Account is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Communion

Time: Aug 9, 2020 09:30 AM Saskatchewan

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82177071948>

Meeting ID: 821 7707 1948

**Sunday, August 16:** The View from Under the Table and The View from the Church Mower by Patty Friesen and Katherine Penner

**FROM THE RE-OPENING COMMITTEE:**

**We are hoping to go back to Sunday morning for our live worship services starting in August. To sign up please contact Loretta by email at [oslermcoffice@sasktel.net](mailto:oslermcoffice@sasktel.net) or phone 306-239-2133 or 306-281-2237.**

The re-open committee has set up a configuration of seating to keep people 2M apart and all attending MUST wear masks. We are going to add additional people slowly starting with an additional 10 people. This is above the 6-8 people who are not able to watch on Facebook. They would be allowed at each taping.

Loretta will keep a list of all who want to attend. The first 10 who call or email with all the names in their group will be invited to the August 2<sup>nd</sup> worship service. The list would grow as more asked to attend and Loretta would simply take the next 10 and when she reached the bottom of the list, take the rest from the top of the list.

She will contact you the Friday before the service to see if you want to come. This is necessary because the ushers need to have a list of all who are attending and check off the names when they arrive. I am not sure how long this will be required but until we all can attend as we once did, we will try to design ways to keep people physically apart and safe and slowly increase the numbers that can attend.

Even as we return to having our worship services on Sunday morning we will continue to live-stream on our Facebook page. These guidelines are continually evolving and we will keep you updated as they do. Thanks for your patience and understanding.

Thanks, Re-opening Committee

### **Other Church Activity**

- **Summer Kid's Catch-Up:** We are inviting all our kids to an online hangout every Wednesday 12:30pm on Zoom. Please email Nora [oslermcpastor2@gmail.com](mailto:oslermcpastor2@gmail.com) if you are interested and have not already received the link!
- **Vacation Bible School:** This year OMC will not be hosting a VBS program. However, we have checked out this at home VBS household resource from Illustrated Ministry! Education team is happy to reimburse families for the at home registration fee involved. More information and registration can be found following this link [https://store.illustratedministry.com/collections/new-arrivals/products/compassion-camp-family-edition?ck\\_subscriber\\_id=233663276](https://store.illustratedministry.com/collections/new-arrivals/products/compassion-camp-family-edition?ck_subscriber_id=233663276)
- **Hey Kids - You are invited to a weekly MC Sask digital Sunday school at 9:30am.** This 20-25 minute Zoom gathering will include a song, a story, and a time to share and pray (and show off your weekly craft). Shared leadership will be needed. If you are interested in a) signing up your kids, b) leading some of the sessions, or c) have some questions, please contact Josh Wallace at [churchengagement@mcsask.ca](mailto:churchengagement@mcsask.ca).
- **Youth Summer Check-Ins:** We will be meeting as a youth group on Thursday's at 7pm starting on July 2nd. If your youth is interested and you have not yet received the zoom link, email Nora at [oslermcpastor2@gmail.com](mailto:oslermcpastor2@gmail.com)
- **Mosaic Sunday School class:** Every Sunday at 11:00am via Zoom. The password is: Mosaic Follow the link below to join Zoom Mosaic class <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86365452436?pwd=bDQ5QkhIcINJdENXSlpBTVgxWT Fvdz09>
- **Sunday School on Print:** Jake Buhler is sending out weekly mini lessons to members of the Adult Sunday School Bible Class. Please e-mail Jake if you would like to be on the - mail list for these lessons [jakelouisebuhler@sasktel.net](mailto:jakelouisebuhler@sasktel.net)
- If you have any announcement you would like included please send them in to [oslermcoffice@sasktel.net](mailto:oslermcoffice@sasktel.net) by Thursday evening.
- For our alternate Casual Sundays (once a month) we are happy to collect videos of people sharing children's stories, art lessons, musical or scriptural reflections for our Facebook page. Please contact Dan Richert for how best to submit these.

## **Care & Connection**

**Prayers:** -Thanksgiving for Susan Bueckert on her 95th birthday party on the farm  
-Dayna and Matthew's wedding in Didsbury on August 1.

- We are having a **wedding card shower for Dayna and Matthew**. Please mail a card anytime to 1601 Ruth St. East, Saskatoon, S7J 0L7 or email to [dayna8@live.ca](mailto:dayna8@live.ca).
- **Patty on Holidays:** July 19-26 Wolf Willow Winery; July 26-Aug. 3 AB to see Mom and doing Dayna and Matthew's wedding. Please call George for emergencies 306-280-1775. I will check my cell.
- **Nora's Week:** Working Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

**POEM:** "A process not to be hurried" by Bonnie Thurston (Christian Century, July1/20)

Long solitude is a gradual drawing inward, going deeper,  
like autumn bulbs snuggling into the soil, marinating in darkness.

When the isolation ends, do not hurry the process.  
First the shy, green shoot, then the tentative tip of a fragile stalk arises  
to carry a bud opening slowly, in its own time.

## **Community Announcements**

**MCC Connects:** MCC has been hosting webinars for the past few months on how our programs are functioning around the world. Please join us for our next gathering on Tuesday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. This webinar will feature stories from MCC's Indigenous Neighbors Program and you are invited to hear about some of the joys and challenges of this work. Visit the website at <https://mcccanada.ca/mcc-webinar-series> to see more information and to view previous webinars

**Shekinah Retreat Centre** is looking for campground and maintenance workers: They have 2 summer job positions open for individuals aged 17-30 (this is a Canada Summer Jobs requirement). Individuals that are interested in working at Shekinah can send their resumes to [craig@shekinahretreatcentre.org](mailto:craig@shekinahretreatcentre.org).

**Shekinah is hosting a social distancing volunteer day on July 25.** Anyone who is interested in volunteering must sign up by calling the office 306-945-4929 or emailing [craig@shekinahretreatcentre.org](mailto:craig@shekinahretreatcentre.org). We will be doing exciting activities like bridge building, woodcutting, and stair building.

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