

Hello OMC Community,

July 26, 2020

**Worship Services:**

**Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup>:** Please join us on our Facebook page at 10:00 am. to view an "Outdoor Service" led in West Osler Gardens and Fields (11 min) by Pastors Patty and Patrick.

**Mennonite Church Canada weekly service**

First Mennonite Church Edmonton welcomes our nationwide community to join us for worship this Sunday, July 26th. Pastor Craig Neufeld will use Romans 8:26-39 to explore the theme of Scattered, but not Separated.

Watch at <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/worshipservices>.

**Upcoming OMC Facebook Services:**

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

**Sunday, August 9: 9:30 am: Zoom Communion with Deacons and Patty** ( 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 to attend in person, please contact Loretta by email at [oslermcoffice@sasktel.net](mailto:oslermcoffice@sasktel.net) or phone 306-239-2133 or 306-281-2237. Those who do not have access to our Facebook services are always invited to attend every week.**

The re-open committee has set up a configuration of seating to keep people 2M apart and all attending MUST wear masks. 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.

**From Vanessa:** “Camp Elim has now been around for 75 years. In celebration, there are videos highlighting each decade posted on our Facebook and Instagram (@mcsask.campelim). Each week highlights a different decade. There are also posts showing what we have been doing during this work summer, such as pictures of bleach tie dyed shirts. I am doing well at camp and am looking forward to when I can be with all of you again.”

Hope all is going well for you and your family,  
Thank you,  
Vanessa Stefaniuk

- 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.

### **Community Announcements**

**Shekinah is doing a volunteer day this Saturday, July 25, from 9am-4pm.** Tasks include: stair building, bridge building, weeding, and wood gathering. The idea is to give volunteers tasks where they do not need to interact closely with other volunteers. We are asking volunteers to rsvp by emailing myself or Ron and Sue at [director@shekinah.ca](mailto:director@shekinah.ca). We are also asking volunteers to bring their own lunch. Washrooms will be open with extra rules and precautions to keep everyone as safe as possible. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,  
Craig Friesen  
Program Director  
Shekinah Retreat Centre  
(306) 945-4929

**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).

**MCC Connects:** MCC is deeply saddened by ongoing occurrences of racially based violence, both in Canada and the U.S. As a Christian organization, it is our mandate to share Christ's love and through our various programs we strive to advocate with those experiencing oppression, educate our constituents about racial injustice and build relationships across diversity. We also recognise that we have not always done this as effectively as we should. To see MCC's full response to racial injustice, visit <https://mcccanada.ca/stories/mcc-canada-response-racial-injustice> and to access resources for anti-racism education, visit <https://mcccanada.ca/stories/resources-anti-racism-education>.

**Take care,**  
**Loretta Sawatzky,**  
**Administrative Assistant**  
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