

**MCC Connects:** This Thanksgiving, we invite you to join us for our fourth annual Buckets of Thanks event! In celebration of MCC's 100th birthday we are attempting to pack 2020 kits (1010 relief kits and 1010 hygiene kits) and we need your help! Join us at one of our public kit packing events or sponsor a kit online! Learn more at: <https://bit.ly/30LpcQV> or call the office at 306.665.2555 for more information!

### OMC CALENDAR

Oct 14,21,28 Adult Bible Study Zoom/In-Person Hybrid, 1:00 pm  
Oct 15,22,29 Youth weekly Group / Bible School zoom, 7:00 pm  
Oct 19,26 Kid's weekly Bible School zoom 7:00 pm  
Oct 21 Worship committee zoom meeting 7:30 pm  
Nov 1 Zoom Communion sponsored by the Deacons 5:00 pm  
Nov 2 Education Zoom meeting 7:00 pm

Upcoming In Sanctuary and Live-Stream Facebook Sunday Services:

**Oct 18** Heather Ewen-Peters (MCC SK) preaching

**Oct 25** Julie Bergen preaching

**Nov 1** Patty Friesen preaching

**Nov 8** Nora Pederberg preaching

Worship Leader: George Janzen

Pianist: Lynette Janzen

Children's Time: Lynette Janzen

Sound: Stephanie Siemens

Song Leaders: Ben Buhler

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

October 11, 2020

*Thanksgiving Sunday: "Rejoice in the Lord always;  
again I say rejoice!"*

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements

**Call to Worship**

Prayer of Invocation

**Hymn: Purple/SS #1 "Praise the One who breaks the darkness"**

**Scripture Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9** (*Inclusive Bible*)

On this mountain, Yhwh Omnipotent will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, food rich and succulent, and fine, aged wines. On this mountain God will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, the shroud covering all nations, destroying all death forever. God will wipe away the tears from every cheek, and will take away the shame of God's people on earth, wherever they live. Yhwh has spoken. On that Day it will be said, "This is our God, this is the One for whose liberation we waited, Yhwh is the One in whom we had hoped!"

Children's Gathering Hymn: "Jesus Loves Me"

Children's Time: Lynette Janzen

Offering Prayer / Offertory

Offering can be e-transferred to [osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com) or dropped in the baskets on your way out of the sanctuary.

Sharing Joys and Concerns / Prayer of the Church

**Hymn: Blue/HWB #391 “God, whose farm is all creation”**

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:1-14** (Inclusive Bible)

Then Jesus spoke to them again in parables. He said,  
2 “The kingdom of heaven is like this: there was a ruler who prepared a feast for the wedding of the family’s heir; 3 but when the ruler sent out workers to summon the invited guests, they wouldn’t come. 4 The ruler sent other workers, telling them to say to the guests, ‘I have prepared this feast for you. My oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding.’ 5 But they took no notice; one went off to his farm, another to her business, 6 and the rest seized the workers, attacked them brutally and killed them. 7 The ruler was furious and dispatched troops who destroyed those murderers and burned their town. 8 “Then the ruler said to the workers, ‘The wedding feast is ready, but the guests I invited don’t deserve the honor. 9 Go out to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find.’ 10 The workers went out into the streets and collected everyone they met, good and bad alike, until the hall was filled with guests. 11 “The ruler, however, came in to see the company at table, and noticed one guest who was not dressed for a wedding. 12 ‘My friend,’ said the ruler, ‘why are you here without a wedding garment?’ But the guest was silent. 13 Then the ruler said to the attendants, ‘Bind this guest hand and foot, and throw the individual out into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ 14 “Many are called, but few are chosen.”

**Epistle Reading: Philippians 4:4-9** (Inclusive Bible)

4 Rejoice in the Savior always! I say it again: Rejoice! 5 Let everyone see your forbearing spirit. Our Savior is near. 6 Dismiss all anxiety from your minds; instead, present your needs to God through prayer and petition, giving thanks for all circumstances. 7 Then God’s own peace, which is beyond all understanding, will stand guard over your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. 8 Finally, my sisters and brothers, your thoughts should be wholly directed to all that is true, all that deserves respect, all that is honest, pure, decent, admirable, virtuous or worthy of praise. 9 Live according to what you have learned and accepted, what you have heard me say and seen me do. Then will the God of peace be with you.

**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!**

**Song: “The Wedding Banquet”**

Sermon: “The Kingdom of God is a Party” Patty Friesen

**Sung Benediction: Blue/HWB #457 “Be present at our table Lord”**

*\*For those people worshiping with us here at church, please remain in your seats until the ushers indicate that it is your turn to exit. We ask that you move directly to the parking lot to ensure physical distancing. Thanks for your help in keeping us all safe.*

Spoken Benediction: (Isaiah 25:9) “This is our God on whom we have waited, let us be glad and rejoice in our salvation.”

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**Patty’s Week:** Tues; Worship, spiritual direction; Wed: office, Bible; Fri: office.

**Nora’s Week:** working Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sun.

**\* MESSAGE FROM THE RE-OPENING COMMITTEE:**

Church re-opening is progressing well. We have lots of room available in the sanctuary if you are someone who wants to worship in person. Until we reach the allowable capacity of our sanctuary which currently is about 50 people, we are not requiring you to call before attending. The ushers have a check list of our congregation and will check off your name as you arrive. So if you feel you are ready to attend in person, the worship teams would love to see you. Of course, masks and physical distancing are still required.

**\*MCCanada – “Table Talk” – to register go to**

[www.mennonitechurch.ca/tabletalk2020](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tabletalk2020) Join our nationwide community of faith as we gather virtually for “Table Talk: Does the Church Still have Legs?”, a virtual study conference on Saturday, Oct. 24, on the nature and identity of the church and the role of worship. Plenary speakers from Mennonite Church Canada-affiliated universities and colleges will present on themes of ecclesiology and worship.

**\*Friendship Inn:** requests for Thanksgiving Monday-

-Volunteering: Extra hands are needed for day-ahead prep and day-of meal service.

-Donated items needed: Turkey, boxed stuffing mix, frozen or canned vegetables, pies.

-Financial donations: online at <https://friendshipinn.ca/donate-online/> or call Colette at 306-242-5122 ext 2.

-Donation Drop off: 7 am – 3 pm daily. 619 20<sup>th</sup> St W Saskatoon.

**\*Tena Friesen has moved from North Haven to Diamond House**

in Warman. She is allowed one visitor at a time (no appointment necessary) or multiple visitors outdoors. Her change of address is:

Diamond House (House 4)

700 Ballesteros Cres., Warman, SK S0K 4S4

**THIS WEEK:**

**-Mon. Oct 12 No Kids Bible School this week.**

**-Wed, Oct 14 Adult Bible Study Zoom/In-Person Hybrid, 1:00 pm.** For those who want in-person Bible study - please come to the buffet room for safe distancing with masks and Zoom with the rest of the members. **Study passages for this week: Isaiah 45:1-7, Psalm 96:1-9, 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10, Matthew 22:15-22**

**-Thurs, Oct 15 Youth Group / Bible School on Zoom, 7:00 pm**

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**NEXT SUNDAY: Oct 18: Heather Ewen Peters preaching**

Worship Leader: Patty Friesen

Pianist: Melanie Boldt

Children’s Time: Patty Friesen

Sound: Doug McKinnell

Song Leaders: Lynette Janzen, Kathryn Janzen

Ushers: Bill Peters, John Gascho

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**Remember in Prayer:**

-thanksgiving for finished harvest

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*From Dave Feick: Hello Friends,

Thanks so much for being welcoming and accepting in allowing Logan and Byron space to tell their stories on Sunday. They were both greatly appreciative of the opportunity and were thankful for the welcome. Logan said that it was something he'd been longing for - for many years. To just have a "normal" day - to feel normal, it meant a lot. And Byron was equally grateful to be able to tell his story. I talked to both of them today and things continue to go well.

I had intended to suggest on Sunday morning that if anyone might like to provide some spiritual, emotional support to either of these men - through phone calls to check in with them, please talk to me about that. I'm not looking for anything more than that, just someone to call and encourage one or both of them once a week.

If you would have interest, please let me know. Thanks,  
Dave.

**\*The Worship Resource**, which includes the order of worship, the scriptures, songs and sermon is emailed out to everyone on our mass email list. It can also be found on our church website under the Sermons Tab.

\*Osler Mennonite Church Human Resources Committee is **accepting applicants for the position of Church Office Administrator, effective January 2, 2021.** We will be advertising this position for a period of 3 consecutive weeks in our bulletin and newsletter, in hope of receiving a successful applicant within our congregation. If this does not materialize we will open the position to the general public. A copy of job description is available, and can be sent to you upon request. Please contact any one of the committee for more information if you are interested.

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### *Refugee sponsorship needs...*

**Osler and Wildwood Mennonite churches are committed to providing Lina Alnouri and her family with a warm and welcoming home.** The Refugee Committee is looking for furnishings and housewares for this family of six. Items still urgently needed are listed on the Osler Mennonite Church web site at <http://www.oslermennonitechurch.org>. Then click on "Community Announcements". Contact Sandra Grismer (306-380-4576; [sgrismer1@sasktel.net](mailto:sgrismer1@sasktel.net)) if you can donate, pledge to provide, or have questions on these or other items the family may require. Thank you.

**\*Mosaic Sunday School class:** Every Sunday at 11:00am via Zoom. The password is: Mosaic. **This is a NEW link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87212174301> Meeting ID: 872 1217 4301  
**No class on Sunday, October 11.**

### **\*Deacons' Updates:**

--**Sun. Oct. 18,** Heather Ewen-Peters from MCC SK will be preaching about trauma healing. She will do a mid-week Zoom or video for us as well.

--**Zoom Communion** 5:00 pm on Sunday Nov. 1

--**First Advent communion in the sanctuary** on Sun, Nov. 29 during the worship service.

--**CMU Winter Study Zoom in January:** "You Had to be There: A History of Humour, Laughter and Comical Christianity" with Brian Froese.

**\*RJC's Annual General Meeting** (Corporation Meeting) will be held via Zoom on **Saturday, October 24 at 11:00 am CST.** Pre-registration will be required in order to send the Zoom meeting invitation. Please register by emailing the RJC office ([office@rosthernjuniorcollege.ca](mailto:office@rosthernjuniorcollege.ca)) by Wednesday, October 21. A digital copy of the Annual Report Book is available by contacting Loretta at the church office. Once they are available, digital copies of the audited financial statements can also be requested.

**\*RJC Homecoming Fundraiser: This Hour Has 115 Years!** Join us virtually on Sunday, October 25 at 7:00pm (CST) for an evening of entertainment, playing off the CBC program of a similar name. The evening will feature: an online auction, alumni interviews, musical performances, and more! Visit [rjc.sk.ca/homecoming](http://rjc.sk.ca/homecoming) to watch the event.

**\*Shekinah is hosting a virtual art auction on November 7-8.** Place bids online for one-of-a-kind items created by local and western Canadian artists. See more information on our website at [shekinah.ca](http://shekinah.ca).

### **\*Save the Date:**

--November MCC Blanket-making: Dates to follow.