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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

September 27, 2020

OMC CALENDAR

- Sept 28 Kids Weekly Bible School zoom, 7:00 pm
Sept 29 The Artists Way zoom 2:00 pm
Sept 30 Adult Bible Study Zoom/In-Person Hybrid, 1:00 pm
Oct 1 Youth weekly Group / Bible School zoom, 7:00 pm

Upcoming In Sanctuary and Live-Stream Facebook Sunday Services:

- Oct 4** Dave Feick preaching
Oct 11 Thanksgiving Sunday: Patty Friesen preaching
Oct 18 Heather Ewen-Peters (MCC SK) preaching
Oct 25 Julie Bergen preaching

Worship Leader: Terry Stefaniuk Pianist: Melanie Boldt
Children's Time: Vanessa Stefaniuk Sound: Matthew Stefaniuk
Song Leaders: Kathryn Janzen, Ben Buhler
Ushers: Anna Peters, John Gascho

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

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements

Call to Worship: "Prayer to Welcome the Sabbath"

Adapted from: Common Prayer

**ALL: "Lord of Creation, create in us a new rhythm of life
composed of hours that sustain rather than stress,
of days that deliver rather than destroy,
of time that tickles rather than tackles..."**

**By your ever-restful grace, allow us to enter your Sabbath rest
As your Sabbath rest enters into us."**

Invocation:

Leader: "O Lord, let my souls rise up to meet you

People: As the day rises to meet the sun.

Leader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
**People: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.
Amen."** *Source: Common Prayer*

Hymn: Blue/HWB #366 "God of grace and God of glory"

Children's Gathering Hymn: "Jesus Loves Me"

Children's Time: Vanessa Stefaniuk

Offering Prayer: “Paul write in 2 Corinthians 9:7: God loves a cheerful giver. Eugene Peterson in his translation of the Bible says, “God loves it when the giver delights in the giving. Let us pray together: **“God of grace, it is our delight and our devotion to give these gifts to you. All we are and all we have are yours alone. Accept this joyful offering as a token of our abiding love: use it to bring peace, justice and comfort to all the world. Amen”**

Source: Carol Penney: leading worship

Offertory

Sharing Joys and Concerns / Prayer of the Church

Hymn: Blue/HWB #20 “Come and see”

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21: 23-32 (Inclusive Bible)

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!

Hymn: Blue/HWB #151 “Marvelous grace of our loving Lord”

Sermon: “Better Late than Never” Patty Friesen

Sung Benediction: Purple/SS #121 “Nothing is lost on the breath of God”

*For those people worshipping 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:

“May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you where he may send you: may he guide you through the wilderness: protect you through the storm; may he bring you home rejoicing: at the wonder he has shown you; may he bring you home rejoicing: once again into our doors.”
Source: Common Prayer

Offering can be e-transferred to osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com or dropped off in the basket in the foyer.

THIS WEEK:

Mon. Sept 28 Kids Bible School via Zoom on Monday’s at 7:00 pm. If you don’t have the link, please contact Nora.

Tues, Sept 29 The Artists Way zoom 2:00 pm

Wed, Sept 30 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 5:1-7; Psalm 80:7-15; Philippians 4:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46**

Thurs, Oct 1 Youth Group / Bible School on Zoom, 7:00 pm

NEXT SUNDAY: October 4: 11:00 am-Outdoor bag lunch following the worship service. Join us even if you don’t feel comfortable coming into the sanctuary for worship. If it is too cold, we will have the gym marked off for safe inside distancing. **Please bring your own lawn chair, lunch and drinks.**

October 4: Zoom Communion 5:00 pm

Join Zoom meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8529596955>

Password: Bible

NEXT SUNDAY: Oct 4: Dave Feick preaching

Worship Leader: Alex Tiessen Pianist: Naomi Schellenberg

Children’s Time: Marlene Campbell Sound: Matthew Stefaniuk

Song Leaders: Ben Buhler, Kathryn Janzen

Ushers: Harold Loewen, John Gascho

Patty's Week: Tues; sermon, Art Zoom; Wed: office, Bible;
Fri: office, visit.

Nora's Week: working Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sun.

Remember in Prayer:

-Patty's mom after her fall this week.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*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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***Please email Patty for Bible Zoom or Art Zoom links.**

***For a description of The Artist's Way by Julia Cameron for Tuesdays at 2:00 Art Zoom** - please check out Patster Patty Friesen's Facebook page video promo and ask for Zoom link by email oslermcpastor@sasktel.net if interested. Patty

***Today at 2:00 pm: RJC Opening Program - Sunday, Sept 27.**

Help RJC start off the school year by joining us virtually for our opening program. The event will feature music, reflections from RJC parents & students, and an invitation for your ongoing support for the school year. Information on how to watch the event can be found at rjc.sk.ca.

***NEW 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.

*Fresh Osler Community Garden potatoes in entrance @ \$1/lb.

***Deacons' Winter Study in January** with Canadian Mennonite University Zoom: We have narrowed our selection to **What Makes the Good Life** with Delmar Epp or **Humour** with Brian Froese or **Ecology and Justice**. Let George, Julie, Frieda, Wilf or Patty know which interests you.

***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=bDQ5QkhIcINJdENXSlpBTVgxWTFvdz09>

***Zoom Communion**, sponsored by the Deacons, **on the First Sunday of every month at 5:00 pm: Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6.** Zoom link is the same for each service.

***October Book Club- Oct 6, 6:30-7:15 pm:** Menno Moto by Cameron Dueck (in public & church library). A Manitoban Mennonite motorbikes through Mexico and Central and South America searching for Mennonite identity among interesting and difficult Mennonite communities. Zoom link to follow.

***Upcoming Deacon Events:** 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.



TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: Matthew 21: 23-32

Jesus entered the Temple precincts and began teaching. The chief priests and the elders of the people came to him and said, “By what authority are you doing what you do? Who gave you this authority?”
24 “And I,” replied Jesus, “will ask you a single question; if you give me the answer, I will tell you my authority for these actions. 25 What was the origin of John’s right to baptize? Was it divine or was it human?” They discussed it among themselves and said, “If we say, ‘divine,’ he will respond, ‘Then why did you refuse to believe him?’ 26 But if we say ‘human,’ we have the people to fear, for they regard John as a prophet.” 27 So they replied to Jesus, “We don’t know.” Jesus said in reply, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.” 28 Jesus continued, “What do you think? There was a landowner who had two children. The landowner approached the elder and said, ‘My child, go out and work in the vineyard today.’ 29 This first child replied, ‘No, I won’t,’ but afterwards regretted it and went. 30 The landowner then came to the second child and said the same thing. The second child said in reply, ‘I’m on my way,’ but never went. 31 Which of the two did what was wanted?” They said, “The first.” Jesus said to them, “The truth is, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. 32 When John came walking on the road of justice, you didn’t believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you didn’t repent and believe.”