

TODAY:

Worship Leader: Terry Stefaniuk Children's Time: Vanessa S
Pianist: Lynette Janzen Sound: Stephanie Siemens
Song Leaders: Michelle McKinnell, Loretta Sawatzky, Ben Buhler
Ushers: Lloyd Sawatzky Speakers: Nora Pederberg

OMC CALENDAR

Faith Exploration Class Zoom Sunday Jan 24

Jan 25 Kid's weekly Bible School zoom 7:00 pm
Jan 14 Youth weekly Group / Bible School zoom, 7:00 pm
Feb 6 AGM zoom 9:30 a.m.
Feb 17 Ash Wednesday Zoom 7:00 pm

Upcoming in Sanctuary & Facebook Live Sunday Services:

Jan 31 God's Presence in Pandemics - Patty Friesen
Feb 7 Nora Pederberg preaching
Feb 14 Valentine's Day Communion - Patty Friesen
Feb 21 First Sunday of Lent - Patty Friesen
Feb 28 George Janzen preaching

NEXT SUNDAY: Jan 31

Worship Leader: Alex Tiessen Children's Time: Marlene Campbell
Pianist: Melanie Boldt Sound: Matthew Stefaniuk
Song Leaders: Dayna S, Kathryn J, Alex T
Ushers: Bill & Anna Peters

Patty's week: Tues. lent prep, Weds. office, Fri. office

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

***Save the date!** The 2021 MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions will be held virtually on Saturday, March 13.

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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

January 24, 2021

“Call & Refuge”

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Gathering: from *Take Our Moments and Our Days: An Anabaptist Prayer Book*

“Jesus said, I am the bread of life.

Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,

And whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Lord Jesus, you have the words of eternal life.”

Call to Worship: In Colossians 1.9-12 Paul in his letter to the people of Colosse wrote: “since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all spiritual wisdom and understanding. And we pray this in order that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and may please him in every way; bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the kingdom of light.”

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn: Purple/VT #545 “Here I Am, Lord”

Children's Hymn: “Jesus Loves Me”

Children's Time: Vanessa Stefaniuk

Hymn: Purple/VT #536 “I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say”

Offering Prayer/Offertory VT #1017

“God of live, we give these offerings in gratitude, rejoicing in the abundance of your gifts to us. We give these offerings in faith, trusting that you will provide for our needs.

We give these offerings in hope, knowing you can use them to spread your love in this world. And with these offerings, we give ourselves; may we live with generous hearts and open hands. Amen.

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

Hymn: Purple/VT #618 “Sometimes a Light Surprises”

Scripture Reading: 1 Samuel 3:1-10

Now young Samuel was in the service of Yhwh under Eli. In those days, the voice of Yhwh was rarely heard—prophesy was uncommon. 2 One night Eli, whose eyes had grown so weak that he could no longer see, was sleeping in his bed. 3 The lamp of God had not gone out, and Samuel was sleeping in the Tent of Meeting, near the Ark of the Covenant. 4 Then Yhwh called to Samuel. Samuel answered, “Here I am!” 5 And ran to Eli saying, “You called. Here I am!” Eli said, “I didn’t call you. Now go back to sleep.” He went back to sleep. 6 A second time, Yhwh called Samuel, and he got up and went to Eli. “Here I am!” Samuel said, “You called me.” Eli repeated, “I did not call you. Go back to sleep.” 7 At that time Samuel had not yet encountered Yhwh, and the word of Yhwh had not yet been revealed to him. 8 Yhwh called Samuel a third time, and Samuel got up, went to Eli, and said once more, “Here I am. You called me.” 9 Then Eli realized that Yhwh was calling the boy. So he said to Samuel, “Go back and go to sleep, and if you are called, say, ‘Speak, Yhwh, for your servant is listening.’” So Samuel went back to sleep. 10 And Yhwh called, “Samuel! Samuel!” And Samuel replied, “Yes, Yhwh, I am listening.”

Psalms 62:5-12

5 With powerful deeds of justice you answer us, God our Deliverer, in whom all the ends of the earth and the farthest seas put their trust. 6 You set the mountains in place by your power, having armed yourself with might. 7 You still the roaring of the seas, the roaring of the waves, and the tumult of the peoples. 8 And those who dwell at the ends of the earth

stand in awe of your marvels; you make the sunrise and sunset shout for joy! 9 You nourish and water the land— greatly you have enriched it. The streams of God are full of water; you provide us with grain as you ordained. 10 Thus have you prepared the land: drenching its furrows, breaking up its clods, softening it with showers, blessing its yield. 11 You have crowned the year with your bounty and your paths overflow with a rich harvest; 12 The untilled meadows overflow with abundance, and rejoicing clothes the hills.

John 1:34-50

34 Now I have seen for myself and have testified that this is the Only Begotten of God.” 35 The next day, John was by the Jordan again with two of his disciples. 36 Seeing Jesus walk by, John said, “Look! There’s the Lamb of God!” 37 The two disciples heard what John said and followed Jesus. 38 When Jesus turned around and noticed them following, he asked them, “What are you looking for?” They replied, “Rabbi,”—which means “Teacher”— “where are you staying?” 39 “Come and see,” Jesus answered. So, they went to see where he was staying, and they spent the rest of the day with him. It was about four in the afternoon. 40 One of the two who had followed Jesus after hearing John was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. 41 The first thing Andrew did was to find Simon Peter and say, “We’ve found the Messiah!”—which means “the Anointed One.” 42 Andrew brought Simon to Jesus, who looked hard at him and said, “You are Simon ben-Jonah; I will call you ‘Rock’ ”—that is, “Peter.” 43 The next day, after Jesus had decided to leave for Galilee, he met Philip and said, “Follow me.” 44 Philip came from Bethsaida, the same town as Andrew and Peter. 45 Philip sought out Nathanael and said to him, “We’ve found the one that Moses spoke of in the Law, the One about whom the prophets wrote: Jesus of Nazareth, son of Mary and Joseph.” 46 “From Nazareth?” said Nathanael. “Can anything good come from Nazareth?” “Come and see,” replied Philip. 47 When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he remarked, “This one is a real Israelite. There is no guile in him.” 48 “How do you know me?” Nathanael asked him. Jesus answered, “Before Philip even went to call you, while you were sitting under the fig tree, I saw you.” 49 “Rabbi,” said Nathanael, “you’re God’s Own; you’re the ruler of Israel!” 50 Jesus said, “Do you believe just because I told see much greater things than that.”

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: Nora Pederberg

Hymn: Purple/VT #636 “Spirit, Open My Heart”

Benediction: VT #1068

Eternal God, you call us to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with courage, not knowing where we go but only that your hand is leading us, and your love supporting us, through Jesus Christ. Amen.

Remember in Prayer:

-Susan Bueckert in St. Paul's hospital

-thanksgiving for the 5 OMCers who have had the vaccine - we are on our way!

-MCC Connects: Pray for the MCC Bangladesh program as it prepares for a new representative, Rob Enns, who will start in March by working remotely from Canada due to COVID-19. We are grateful that Ron Ratzlaff has been able to serve as interim representative for Bangladesh since May, managing the program remotely from Canada. The Bangladesh program has undergone many transitions in the past year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***From the Treasurer:** Hello OMCers. Thank you to those people who have sent me their email address and permission to send their 2020 donation receipt via email. This is a reminder that if I haven't received an email from you by January 31, I will be sending your receipt via snail mail. It's fine either way, but it is cheaper and easier for me to send you an email pdf.

***Servant Partners Connect Info:** Thanks again all for having us on Jan 17th! If you would like to be in contact with us you can reach us at any of the information provided below.

abbie.reuss@servantpartners.org angela.luo@servantpartners.org
www.servantpartners.org for information or
<http://www.canadahelps.org/.../servant-partners-foundation/> to support us. Peace!

***Feb 1-5. MCC blanket making** Contact Diane McKinnell or Anne Peters if interested.

Youth & Mentors Game Night: Thursday February 4, 7:00 p.m.

We are inviting all our mentors to join in on our regular youth games night for time to connect as a group! All mentors and youth will receive an email that week of the event with a zoom link and any further instructions needed in order to be ready to jump in the virtual fun.

***Feb. 6 AGM** Zoom at 9:30 a.m. with Osler store Long Johns (the edible kind) along with a Valentine will be delivered to your door Friday compliments of the Deacons.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8529596955>

Meeting ID: 852 959 6955

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kvj5hA2hE>

***Feb 6 MDS Annual Celebration** (formerly All Unit Meeting)

February 6 at 2pm EST <https://mds.mennonite.net/annual-celebration/>

***Sun. Feb. 7, 1:00** Snowshoeing to Bruce's cabin for outdoor fire with under 10. Meet at farmyard with thermos in backpack and portable lawn chairs and snowshoes. Possible farmyard barrel fire for non-snowshoe knoodlers with lawn chairs and thermoses. Text Patty 306-260-6069.

***February 17 Ash Wednesday Zoom 7:00-7:30 p.m.** Come for a short service of scripture, sharing about the songs, scriptures we want at our funerals and anointing ourselves with lotion. Zoom link coming.!).

***New Address** for Nora and Matt as of January 16,
2021 Unit #3 - 718 13th St. East
Saskatoon, Sk S7N 0L9

RJC Early Application Incentive - New students who apply for Fall 2021 by February 1 will receive \$500 off their tuition! Apply online at rjc.sk.ca/apply.

***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

***Faith Exploration Class** Zoom Sunday Jan 24, 31 at 1:00-1:45 p.m. for any age. Anyone interested in baptism Easter Sunday, April 4 or transferring church membership another Sunday please contact Pastor Patty 306-260-6069/oslermcpastor@sasktel.net or Pastor Nora 306-260-6552/oslermcpastor2@sasktel.net.

***Note correction to group name!!** New way to donate to Refugee Fund. Now that the holidays have past, it might be time to do a Sarcan run. Wouldn't it be great if you could use your Sarcan donations to support a good cause? With Sarcan's new Drop & Go system you can leave your bottles at the Sarcan drop off location and the have the money deposited into the Refugee Sponsorship Group's account for Lina Al Nouri and her family from Syria. All you need to do is bring your donations to ANY Sarcan location and go to the Drop & Go door. Register using the group name "**LRS**" and use the group phrase "Refugee" and you are all set! The bag tags and receipt will be printed, and any money will go straight to Lina's support. To find the nearest Sarcan location to you check out their website at Hours and Locations (www.sarcan.ca/hours_and_location) If you have any questions, please contact Kaytee Edwards at 306-221-1729.