



Osler Mennonite Church

*A Welcoming Community for Peace
Following Jesus on the Path of Reconciliation*

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

July 26, 2026

Who is My Neighbour?

Prelude

Welcome/Land Appreciation/Announcements

Call to Worship:

Leader: Let us come together as treaty people,
bound by the promises of peace, friendship, and respect.

**People: Creator God, we thank you for the land that sustains us
and the diverse people you call together.**

Leader: Let us enter into this time of worship
with open minds and willing hearts.

**People: May we walk together
on the path of healing, truth, and reconciliation.
Let us worship God.**

Prayer of Invocation

**Gathering Hymns: VT #7 Come Let Us All Unite to Sing
VT #36 Let Us Build a House**

First Reading: Psalm 112:1-9

Praise the Lord.

Blessed are those who fear the Lord,
who find great delight in his commands.

Their children will be mighty in the land;
the generation of the upright will be blessed.

Wealth and riches are in their houses,
and their righteousness endures forever.

Even in darkness light dawns for the upright,
for those who are gracious and compassionate and righteous.

Good will come to those who are generous and lend freely,
who conduct their affairs with justice.

Surely the righteous will never be shaken;
they will be remembered forever.
They will have no fear of bad news;
their hearts are steadfast, trusting in the Lord.
Their hearts are secure, they will have no fear;
in the end they will look in triumph on their foes.
They have freely scattered their gifts to the poor,
their righteousness endures forever;
their horn will be lifted high in honor.

Children's Gathering Song: Today Earth is Singing Story Time for All Ages

Offering Prayer/Music for Meditation

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

We pray

Thanks for a safe camping/hiking trip for our Youth/Adults

Candle Prayers for peace and our hearts' desires...

Hymn: VT #298 What Is the World Like

Second Reading: Luke 10:25-37

On one occasion an expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

"What is written in the Law?" he replied. "How do you read it?"

He answered, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

"You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live."

But he wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

In reply Jesus said: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he was attacked by robbers. They stripped him of his clothes, beat him and went away, leaving him half dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road, and when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. So too, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took care of him.

The next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'

"Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?"

The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him."

Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

Scripture Response:

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: VT #790 How Can We Be Silent

Sermon: Who is My Neighbour?

Hymn: VT #793 We Are Marching (Siyahamba)

Benediction: "May the warmth of the summer sun cradle your spirit, and may the long, light-filled days grant you moments of deep, restorative peace. As you go from this place, may your footsteps be light, your laughter be full, and your heart remain open to the quiet wonders of the season. Go now in the joy of the Creator, and may this summer be a true re-creation of your mind, body, and soul. Amen."

*Offerings can be done via e-transfer to osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com

*Our services are all streamed and archived on-line.

TODAY July 26

Speaker: Luke Bushman	Worship Leader: Terry Stefaniuk
Song Leaders: Ben Kathryn, Dayna	Accompanist: Lynette
Story: Luke	Sound: Matthew
Ushers: Anne/Bill	
Offering Counter Team: Susan/Loretta	

There will be no Coffee/Snack for July and August **BUT** if you have a special occasion you wish to celebrate with coffee and a snack, please let the office know to announce it.

Yard Maintenance for the week of July 27 – Aug 1 – Terry Stefaniuk and family

Office Hours: Wednesday & Friday 8:30 am. to 12:30 pm

No Friday Coffee Time *until September*

Brad's Week: usual work days are Mon, Wed. and Fri. but not necessarily in the office – he may be out visiting, If you'd like a visit, please call him @ 306-361-0601

Luke's Week: At Shekinah all week

Birthdays this Week: 28 – Emmett Bergen-Braun

MCC invites you to *Gardens for Good: Cultivating Peaceful Communities*, a garden party fundraiser at Floating Gardens in Osler. Join us on Thursday, August 6 from 10:30 am - 1 pm for live music, refreshments, and stories of how compassion and generosity are building more peaceful communities in Saskatoon and rural Uganda. Admission is by donation, and limited spots are available. For more details and to RSVP, call the MCC Centre at (306) 665-2555 or visit: mcc.org/events/gardens-good-cultivating-peaceful-communities

Simply Superb, the singing group from Superb Mennonite Church, reunites for one night of music and stories at The Barn Playhouse on Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. The concert supports Wonderland Theatre's 2027 season. Tickets are on sale at The Barn Playhouse website.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

MCC Connects: In its 9th season, Grow Hope Saskatchewan is helping to support the work of MCC and the Canadian Foodgrains Bank to provide emergency food supplies and long-term food security programs around the world. Each acre sponsored represents real, tangible support for families who need reliable access to food. Thanks to your generosity, 225 of the 505 acres have already been sponsored this year! To help sponsor the remaining acres, and to read stories from Saskatchewan farmers, visit: www.growhopesk.ca

Great Plains College is sharing information about the Administrative Skills program at the Warman Campus that is running from September of 2026 through June 2027. This part-time evening program is designed with flexibility in mind. Please check out the poster on the bulletin board for more details.

MC SASK Updates:

Applications are now being accepted for the 2025 MC Sask Education Scholarship. Eligible schools and service programs include: RJC High School, Canadian Mennonite University, SALT (MCC), 3E Internship (Youth Farm Bible Camp), and more. Application deadline is July 31, 2026, visit www.mcsask.ca for application forms and full eligibility details. <https://mcsask.ca/res/pub/2026-Scholarship-Application.pdf>

RJC Grow the Game Football Camp | 1–4 PM • August 5 Youth entering Grades 5–10 are invited to stay active, build confidence, and learn the fundamentals of flag football at this exciting camp presented by the Saskatchewan Roughrider Foundation. The camp is FREE to attend. Register today at rjc.sk.ca/rjcridercamp.

RJC Summer Sports Camp | 9 AM–3 PM • August 12–14 Youth entering Grades 5–8 are invited to join us for a three-day camp focused on skill development in soccer and volleyball. Cost is \$150 per athlete and includes a daily lunch and camp t-shirt. Family rates are available. Registration and information at rjc.sk.ca/sportscamp. RJC is still accepting applications for the 2026–27 school year! Applications are open for students entering Grades 9–12. Book a school tour or meeting, email admissions@rjc.sk.ca with your questions, or apply online at rjc.sk.ca/apply. NEW Grade 9 and 10 dormitory students are eligible for 50% off first-year dormitory fees.

Updated! Risk Taking and New Wine in New Wine Skins - Ingrid Thiessen. Many of our bible stories talk about people who took risks. Early adopters are such people. This inCERT tells of a few climate related early adopter stories including a link to the CBC program "What on Earth" which looks at fertilizer alternatives. Doyle Wiebe, a member of the Mennonite church, is trying one of those fertilizer options. (A technical glitch happened, there currently is no link to the article by Ingrid Thiessen. For now those interested in reading the article may email: mcsask@mcsask.ca Please site "Risk Taking" in the subject line of the email.)

Once again, this fall MC Sask is offering a CMU course in Saskatoon. This year's course is Anabaptist Peace Theology and Gender Justice, and it will be taught by Susanne Guenther Loewen. The course will be on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm to 4:15 pm from September 10th until December 3rd, online and in-person at the MCC Centre. CMU students can register for this course now. For those interested in taking it for personal development, watch for the registration form on the MC Sask website soon

Order of Canada

Awarded on: April 17, 2024

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William Janzen, C.M. Ottawa, Ontario

For more than 30 years, William Janzen served as director of the Ottawa office of the Mennonite Central Committee Canada. He has influenced government policy development and contributed to refugee resettlement, citizenship, development aid and peace building. He was instrumental in the creation of the Private Sponsorship of Refugees program, which mobilized Canadians to support refugees, notably from Southeast Asia, and marked a turning point in Canada's immigration policy

(William is the brother to George Janzen)

Orland Arthur Backstrom, C.M. Winnipeg, Manitoba

Orland Backstrom has been a disability champion for decades. As president and CEO of SCE LifeWorks, he brought Project SEARCH to Canada, which allows high school students with disabilities to access real work placements. He has played a pivotal role in fostering a more inclusive society.

(Orland is married to Laura Boldt – a son-in-law to Kathy Boldt)

CALENDAR

Sun. July 26 – 10:00 am Luke Bushman preaching

Sun. Aug 2 - 10:00 am Music Sunday

Sun. Aug 9 - 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching

Sun. Aug 16 – 10:00 am Luke Bushman preaching

Sun. Aug 23 – 10:00 am Outdoor Joint Service on the Buhler yard

NEXT SUNDAY – Aug 2

Music Sunday Worship Leader: Dave Feick

Song Leaders: Kathryn, Ben, Benjamin Accompanist: Lynette

Story: Kathy Sound: Stephanie Ushers: Anne/Bill

Offering Counter Team: Susan/Dave

No Coffee/Snack for the July and August

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