



Osler Mennonite Church

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

October 26, 2025

Created Good/Each Gift

Prelude

Welcome/Land Appreciation/Announcements

Call to Worship/First Reading (Genesis 1 from The Peace Table):

Leader: When beginning, God created in the dark. Earth and sky had no shape. God's Spirit fluttered over the water. Then God said, "Let there be light." Light shone.

Congregation: And it was good!

Leader: Then God said, "Let there be a dome." A dome appeared, like a ceiling over the water. God called the ceiling Sky

Congregation: And it was good!

Leader: Then God said Let land appear. Let the earth sprout plants and fruit trees. God called the dry land earth, and the water around it seas.

Up sprouted every plant and tree.

Congregation: And it was good!

Leader: Then God said, "Let there be lights in the sky." The sun, moon, and stars arose

Congregation: And it was good!

Leader: Then God said, "Let there be animals in the water, and birds in the sky." Sea creatures swam. Birds soared across the sky.

Congregation: And it was good!

Leader: Then God said, "Let there be animals on the land." Wild animals and tame animals roamed. Then God said, "Let us make humans in our image to care for the earth." And God created humans.

Congregation: And it was VERY good!

Leader: God finished creating, and on the seventh day, God rested

Congregation: And it was good.

Invocation

Hymns of Praise: VT #1 Summoned by the God Who Made Us
VT #6 Let's Walk Together

Children's Gathering Song: Today Earth is Singing
Story for All Ages: Anna and Emmett

Offering Prayer/Music for Meditation
with music from Naomi & Bree

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church
Prayers
Thanks

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

Hymn: VT #789 Be a Sower

Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:7-11, NRSV

The end of all things is near. Therefore be alert and of sober mind so that you may pray. Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. If anyone serves, they should do so with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen.

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: Not Be Shaken

Sermon: Sharing from the Youth

Hymn: VT #36 Let Us Build a House

Benediction: Go knowing that you are created good, each with a gift to share with your neighbour, as we praise Jesus with the very lives we live. Amen

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

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

TODAY Oct 26

Speaker: Youth Worship Leader: Luke/Dylan

Song Leaders: Kathryn/Nora Accompanist: Naomi

Story: Anna/Emmett Sound: James Ushers: Carl/Lanae

Offering Counter Team: Jim/Doug

Office Hours: 8:30 am – 12:30 pm Wednesday and Friday

Luke's Week: Mon. Exec mtg; Wed. OMC office/NPMC mtg; Thurs. KCC; Fri. OMC office; Sat. MCC Peace conference/Mega Menno

Brad's Week: usual work days will be 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.

Coffee Time Friday - 10:00 am with the OMC staff

There may or may not be treats but there will be good conversation

Birthday this Weeks: 27 – Bree Schellenberg; 29 – Mikwanis Bird; 31 – Zenon Borne

Sunday Coffee: Oct 26 – Sandra & Torben

Nov 2 - Marlene

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Book Club is starting up. The book we are reading is **Call Me Indian** by *Fred Sasakamoose*. If you are interested, please contact Loretta Sawatzky for a book. Discussion about the book will be on Wednesday, November 5, at 7:00 pm at Loretta's house.

Community Connections is exploring a volunteer opportunity at the Good Neighbours Food Centre in Rosthern - there are various opportunities on Tuesdays and Fridays. Time commitments vary from an hour to an afternoon. Interested in getting involved? Talk to Alex or Kaytee if you would like some more information.

Please join Community Connections on **November 2nd** during the Sunday School time for a *Faspa and Conversation*. In the spirit of hearing from our community, Lyle Stucky will be sharing about his experience as an American Draft Dodger. Faspa will be provided by Community Connections.

On November 7th, from 7-9pm, MCC will be leading a Palestine Land Exercise at OMC. While this is scheduled at the same time as the youth group, everyone is invited to attend. It will hopefully be a great intergenerational evening of learning, reflecting and lamenting. Here is a short description of the exercise from MC Sask:

"A Palestine Land Exercise has been developed by MCC and the United Church of Canada for use in congregations to increase an understanding of the history of conflict in Palestine. It is an experiential learning tool which simulates the experience of Palestinians. The facilitated exercise requires about two hours."

On Wednesday November 5, 11:45 am, the Deacons and Brad will be hosting a lunch at Bethany Manor for *Oslerrites* who live there. Please contact Brad or one of the Deacons if you wish to join the group.

MHSS is offering a Mennonite History virtual class via Zoom. The presenter is Roydon Loewen, the topic is the Anabaptists at 500. Classes are Wednesdays from 9 am to 10 am starting October 1 to November 5 at the MHSS Archives at Bethany Manor. All are welcome.

Forever in Motion free drop in classes from 10:00 to 11:00 am, Tuesdays and Fridays at the Osler Community Hall. See the poster on the bulletin for details.

MCC Connects: MCC's 7th Annual Peace Conference, Walking the Long Path: How to Build Peace Sustainably will be on Saturday, November 1 at First Mennonite Church in Saskatoon. If you are working to make your community better, you are a peacebuilder! We will explore being peacebuilders grounded in hope and inspired to action amidst turbulent times. Speakers include Gareth Brandt, Heather Peters, as well as several church and community partners. For more information and to register, visit mcc.org/events/mcc-saskatchewan-peace-conference-2025

MC SASK Updates:

For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them. Matthew 18:20 KJV

We need your presence on the long road, Lord.

The road between fear and hope,
the road between the place where all is lost
and the place of resurrection.

Like the disciples walking the road to Emmaus,
we are in need of your company!

Jesus, stand among us, in your risen power,
let this time of worship, be a hallowed hour.

Carol Penner (Canada), 2013. leadinginworship.com Creative Commons: Attribution Non-Commercial 4.0 International (CC BY-4.0) (new)

Praying for each other: Please pray for the various groups and committees that work as part of MC Sask. The Pastoral Leadership Commission (PLC) that supports our pastors through retreats, credentialing, and other ways. The Ministries Commission that brings together Walking the Path, Climate Emergency Response Team (CERT), Palestine-Israel Network (PIN), and other extension ministries. Our MC Sask Council works hard to manage the overall governance and direction of MC Sask. In addition, there are many others working diligently to carry out our mission. May we all be guided by the spirit of God as we seek to follow Jesus through his church. (new)

October 22, 29 & November 5, 7pm (CST) | Webinar: “How did we get from the Bible to a genocide in Gaza?” with Dr. Dan Epp-Tiessen. More info and registration: <https://www.mennonitechurch.ca/PIN/Events> (new)

October 29 | RJC Spend-A-Day Prospective students in Grades 7–11 are invited to experience a day in the life at RJC! From 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM, you’ll shadow a current student, attend chapel, enjoy a meal in our dining hall, and explore music, sports, and dorm life. Meet teachers, connect with future classmates, and discover why RJC is a vibrant, welcoming community. Come spend the day with us and see what we have to offer! Please register at rjc.sk.ca/spendaday.

November 1, 7-9pm | MegaMenno presents: "Menno Glows in the Dark" Turn off the lights, we've got glow sticks, and also Garath Brandt... and some snacks too. After Garath presents at the MCC Peace Conference during the day, he is joining the youth for some phosphorescent fun at Wildwood Mennonite Church. No cost to this event.

November 1 9:00 AM – 3:45 pm | Walking the Long Path: How to Build Peace Sustainably peace conference at First Mennonite Church, Saskatoon. If you are working to make your community better, you are a peacebuilder !We invite you to Walking the Long Path: How to Build Peace Sustainably, a one-day peace conference exploring what it means to be grounded in hope amidst turbulent times. Together, we will reflect, learn, and practice the skills needed to continue the work of peacebuilding within ourselves, with our neighbours, and in our broader world. Learn more and register at <https://mcc.org/events/mcc-saskatchewan-peace-conference-2025>

November 2, 3pm | Forest church @ Shekinah. In the setting of outdoor worship, Shekinah's own Sharon Murugiah will share his perspective on the work of God in that place. All are welcome! (new)

November 7, 7pm | All are welcome to Shekinah's "Tremendous Time with Trifles" Fundraiser at Bethany Manor. Come out to hear stories from our campers and summer staff! Shekinah's own "troubadour," Sterling Boehm, will serenade us as we indulge in sweet goodness and continue to work together to ensure that "all are welcome to experience the presence and glory of God" at Shekinah. Admission by donation. Please send an email to office@shekinahretreatcentre.org or call the office on 306-945-4929 to RSVP (new)

November 10-14 | CMU and MC Sask present Anabaptist-Mennonite History and Identity: From Reformation to Global Movement. Are you looking to learn more about Anabaptist history or understand what global Anabaptism looks like today? MC Sask, in conjunction with Canadian Mennonite University (CMU) is offering this course in November. It is a week-long intensive course in Saskatoon, SK. The course is available for credit or for those who wish to take it only for personal enrichment (in-person or online).(updated)

December 7, 3pm | You are invited to a 'Very Shekinah Christmas':
Join us for a festive afternoon of musical offerings by RJC students. Devour some sweet Christmas treats and catch up with your Shekinah friends and neighbours in the Timber Lodge at Shekinah Retreat Centre. Admission by Donation. All proceeds will go towards upgrading our winter equipment. (new)

InCERT: Storing Renewable Energy without Toxic Chemicals?

Yes, it can be done, as Wayne MacDonald, of Wildwood Mennonite Church in Saskatoon, reminds us. Read more at <http://mcsask.ca/Storing-Renewable-Energy-without-Toxic-Chemicals> (new)

Wed., Nov 5, 7:00 PM (CST). If Indigenous hearts are broken by Christianity, what is it in Christian theology that is life giving at all?

Join us in person or by livestream for a conversation with Carmen Lansdowne, former Moderator of the United Church of Canada – <https://www.commonword.ca/go/4284>. (new)

YOUTH SCHEDULE

October 24th, at OMC 6:00 pm– rehearsal for sharing on Sunday
7:00 pm - Youth night with games and continue dive into Feminist Theology

October 26th – come at 9:30am for finally prep for the Service

November. 1st: Mega Menno: *Menno Glows in the Dark* at Wildwood

November 7th from 7-9pm at OMC, several MCC Staff have agreed to come and lead a Palestinian Land exercise. This will hopefully be a multigenerational event, as it is open to anyone at church, but it felt relevant so I scheduled it at the same time as our regular youth gathering

CALENDAR

Sun. Oct 26 – 10:00 am Youth program

Sun. Nov 2 – 10:00 am Gareth Brandt speaking

11:10 am Faspa & Conversation with Lyle Stucky

Fri. Nov 7 – 7 – 9 pm MCC led Palestine Land Exercise @ OMC

Sun. Nov 9 - 10:00 am Len Rempel – Brad's installation

Noon – Potluck group C – M setup and clean up

Sun. Nov 16 – 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching

Sun. Nov 23 – 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching – *Memorial Sunday*

NEXT SUNDAY Nov 2

Speaker: Gareth Brandt Worship Leader: Luke Bushman

Song Leader: Kevin Accompanist: Naomi

Story: Lynette Sound: Benjamin Ushers: Anne/Bill

Offering Counter Team: Susan/Loretta

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