



Osler Mennonite Church

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

August 30, 2026

Commands and Encouragements

Prelude

Welcome/Land Appreciation/Announcements

Call to Worship: Invitation from Dorothy Day

Invocation

Gathering Hymns: VT #11 Mountain of God
VT #809 Sing a New World into Being

First Reading: Matthew 16:21-28

From that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he had to go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders, chief priests, and legal experts, and that he had to be killed and raised on the third day. Then Peter took hold of Jesus and, scolding him, began to correct him: "God forbid, Lord! This won't happen to you." But he turned to Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan. You are a stone that could make me stumble, for you are not thinking God's thoughts but human thoughts." Then Jesus said to his disciples, "All who want to come after me must say no to themselves, take up their cross, and follow me. All who want to save their lives will lose them. But all who lose their lives because of me will find them. Why would people gain the whole world but lose their lives? What will people give in exchange for their lives? For the Human One is about to come with the majesty of his Father with his angels. And then he will repay each one for what that person has done. I assure you that some standing here won't die before they see the Human One coming in his kingdom."

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 - for teachers and students as they prepare for the upcoming school year

-for the safety of farm families as they harvest this year's crop

Thanks to all who made last week's Joint Service worshipful

Prayer for the Church:

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

Hymn: VT #712 Beauty for Brokenness

Second Reading: Romans 12:9-21

"Your love must be sincere. Hate what is evil and cling to what is good. Love one another with the affection of sisters and brothers. Try to outdo one another in showing respect. Don't grow slack, but be fervent in spirit: the One you serve is Christ. Rejoice in hope; be patient under trial; persevere in prayer. Look on the needs of God's holy people as your own; be generous in offering hospitality. Bless people who harass you—bless and don't curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Consider everyone as equal, and don't think that you're better than anyone else. Instead, associate with people who have no status. Don't think that you're so smart. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. Do all you can to be at peace with everyone. Don't take revenge; leave room, my friends, for God's wrath. To quote scripture, "'Vengeance is mine, I will pay them back,' says our God." But there is more: 'If your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them drink. For in doing so, you will heap burning coals upon their heads. Don't be overcome by evil, but overcome evil by doing good.'"

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 #389 Together

Sermon: 12 Thoughts and More

Hymn: VT #719 Jesus, Help Us Live in Peace

Benediction:

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

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

TODAY Aug 30

Speaker: Brad Schroeder Worship Leader: Julie Bergen

Song Leaders: Kathryn, Ben, Loretta, Dayna Accompanist: Lynette

Story: Brad Sound: Matthew Ushers: Dick/Benjamin

Offering Counter Team: Diana/Garry

Yard Maintenance for Aug 31 – Sept 5 K Martens 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: Mon. Council Mtg; Wed. OMC Office; Thurs.; Fri. OMC Office; Sat. Work from Home

Birthdays this Week: 30 – Kathy Boldt (90), 30 – Dan Schellenberg

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY: Aug. 30 Snack & Coffee time –Everyone is welcome to join the Wedding Shower celebration for Liam Boldt & Julia Herperger. You're encouraged to sign the card in the lobby to offer your congratulations. Gifts are always appreciated, and for those who'd like the option, you may contribute to a communal cash gift the day of.

Dear Pastor/Church Administrator,

We very much appreciate support from our churches and this summer the volunteers you sent to Shekinah were amazing. We ask that you include this message in your bulletins:

"Shekinah is blessed by the volunteers from Osler Mennonite who shared their time and talents this summer camp season. 5 Bible leaders and 26 cooks feed our campers' bottomless stomachs and inquiring spirits. With your support, we continue to be a sacred place where all are welcome to experience the presence and glory of God."

Audrey Kampen
Board Member

MCC Connects: MCC continues to invite your prayers for the people of Colombia following the magnitude 7.4 earthquake that struck on August 10. MCC is determining a planned response via our Mennonite Brethren church partners in the country. To donate towards emergency assistance, visit mcc.org/get-involved/giving/designations/colombia-earthquake-response or call the MCC Centre at 306-655-2555.

MC Sask's CERT (Climate Emergency Response Team) is sponsoring a TREE PLANTING event September 19. Tree seedlings which are native to this region will be harvested from local properties and transplanted into a river lot at Fish Creek. Please join us as we strive to care for creation through biodiversity, wildlife habitat and carbon capture. The day will begin at Seagar Wheeler farm east of Rosthern at 8:30 a.m. With freshly excavated miniature trees and a 45-minute trip to Fish Creek, we will transplant these trees. All are invited to share in a wiener roast before getting on with the day. **Matthew Braun of Osler** will lead us in this adventure. Call Cynthia at MCSask (306 249-4844) indicating your interest. Claire Ewert Fisher will follow up with details as they develop. (Updated)

CALENDAR

Sun. Aug 30 – 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching

Mon. Aug 31 – 6:00 pm Executive mtg

7:30 pm Council mtg

Sun. Sept 6 - 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching

Sun. Sept 13 – 10:00 am Luke Bushman preaching

11:00 Vanessa Stefaniuk Bridal shower

Noon – Semi-annual mtg

Sun. Sept 20 – 10:00 am Brad Schroeder preaching

11:10 am Sunday School begins for all classes

Noon - “Kick off to Fall” POTLUCK Group A-B.

NEXT SUNDAY – Sept 6

Speaker: Brad Schroeder Worship Leader: Luke Bushman

Song Leaders: Kathryn, Ben, Nora Accompanist: Lynette

Story: Wilf Sound: James Ushers: Dick/Benjamin

Offering Counter Team: Lloyd/Wilf

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