



Osler Mennonite Church

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service

June 30, 2024

Blessed are the Peacemakers

Prelude

Welcome/Land Acknowledgement/Announcements

Choral Call to Worship: Psalm 130 *From the Depths*

Prayer of Invocation:

Hymns of Praise: VT #9 **Come Away from Rush and Hurry**

VT #797 **We Are People of God's Peace**

Children's Gathering Song: Today Earth is Singing

Story for All Ages: Kathy

Offering Prayer/Music for Meditation

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

Prayers – restful summer for all

- Team OMC - cooking Children's Camp 1 - Lloyd, Loretta,
Edna, Lois, Patty, John, Kaytee, Stephanie, Michelle, Olivia,
Louise, Anna. Plus Luke and Nora working

Thanksgiving -

Candle Prayers for peace and our hearts' desires

Responsive Reading on Psalm 23 and the Beatitudes

L: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

**P: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom
of heaven.**

L: The Lord makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me
beside still waters.

P: Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth.

L: The Lord restores my soul.

P: Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

L: The Lord leads me in paths of righteousness
for the sake of God's name.

**P: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness,
for they shall be satisfied.**

L: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I fear no evil, for you are with me.

**P: Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of God.**

L: Your rod and your staff – they comfort me.

P: Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

L: You prepare a table for me in the presence of my enemies.

**P: Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they shall be called children of God.**

L: you anoint my head with oil: my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the day of my life.

P: Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

L: And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

P: You are the salt of the earth. You are the light of the world.

*All: Let your light so shine that all may see your good works
and give glory to God.*

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 #789 Be a Sower

Sermon: Peace Makers

Hymn: VT #485 Put Peace into Each Other's Hands

Benediction: The Lord bless you and keep you; God's face shine upon
you and be gracious to you; the Lord embrace you and give you peace.
Amen

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

*Our Services are all Streamed and Archived on-line.

TODAY June 30 *Blessed are the Peacemakers*
Speaker: Terry Stefaniuk Worship Leader: Dave Feick
Song Leaders: Anna, Ben Accompanist: Naomi
Story: Kathy Sound: Benjamin Ushers: Susan/Dick
Offering Counter Team: Diana Buhler, Lorretta Sawatzky

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

Walking Club: Fridays 9:00 am starting from church – all are welcome

Coffee at the office on Friday @ 10:00 am

Patty's Week: Sun. Holyrood Mennonite, Edmonton; Tues. stat roll-over; Weds. office, Shekinah; Fri. Office

Luke' Week: Wed. Shekinah Speaking Prep from Home; Thurs: Summer Preparations/Study; Fri. OMC Office Hours

Birthdays: 30 – Patty Friesen; July 2 – Vanessa Stefaniuk; 2 – Luke Bushman

Gathering Room Coffee Schedule: June 30 – Wilf
July 7 - Wilf

The Yard Maintenance Schedule:

Week of July 8 to July 13 – Matthew Braun & family
July 15 – 20 – Steven Guenther & family

Summer coffee will be made by deacons. There may not be snacks. If you wish to provide some, contact the office.

TODAY - congregational meeting immediately following the worship service. We will get an update from the daycare group and approve the reviewed financial statements. If you would like to see the reviewed statements prior to the meeting please contact Kevin or Christy.

Please note that Melanie Boldt has taken on the role of OMC bookkeeper. A big thanks to Brandee Borne for your contribution in this role. The bookkeeper's email address will remain the same, omc.mc.bookkeeper@gmail.com.

OMC Summer Backyard Book Club:

Weds. Aug. 21, 7:00 Book Club at Diane McKinnell's, discussing A Good Neighbourhood by Theresa Fowler. Copies coming in a Book Club bag.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MC Updates:

MC Sask is pleased to be able to offer four, \$1,000 scholarships to those pursuing Anabaptist education through schools or service programs that offer faith-based training and education rooted in the words and actions of Jesus. Applications are now being accepted for the 2024 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, 2024, visit www.mcsask.ca for application forms and full eligibility details. (Updated)

July 7: Forest Church at Shekinah 3pm. Help us bless the summer camp ministry as they welcome campers for a season of encountering God in new and fun ways. All are welcome! (new)

You are invited to attend our 1st annual All-Ages Practice Peace Summer Camp on August 7 & 8 from 10-3pm at the MCC office building (and park across the street if weather permits. Join us for a hands-on summer learning experience focused on peaceful conversations and interactions. Open to all ages, with engaging exercises for everyone. Perfect for professional development, personal growth, and family fun! Details and registration available at [https://mcc.org/events/practice-peace-summer-camp\(new\)](https://mcc.org/events/practice-peace-summer-camp(new))

Save the Date to Celebrate Shekinah's 45th Anniversary! Sunday, September 8th from 2:00 - 6:00! There will be singing, activities, craft, farmer sausage on a stick and birthday cake! Watch for more details! (new)

Registration is now open for "Healing Haunted Histories: Decolonizing Discipleship" a short course with Elaine Enns & Ched Meyers. The course is presented jointly by CMU and MC Sask and will be held at the MCC Centre in Saskatoon November 11-15. "Through bible studies, social analysis, communal narratives and historic literacy, this interactive course will explore how Canadian landscapes are "haunted" by historic and continuing violence against Indigenous peoples." Details and registration available at www.mcsask.ca (new)

MC Sask Announces Youth Minister Resignation Mennonite Church Saskatchewan announced today that Kirsten Hamm-Epp has officially resigned from her position as Youth Minister, effective August 31, 2024. "My time with MC Sask has been incredibly live-giving, and it is with a deep sense of gratitude and many, many fond memories that I have come to the decision that it is time for me to move on... It has been a true honour to serve MC Sask for the past eleven years, and I am grateful to have been able to both serve and be mentored by such an incredible 'cloud of witnesses' (Hebrews 12)."

While Hamm-Epp served MC Sask in a variety of roles during her 11-year tenure, youth ministry was always at the heart of her role, with major highlights being the annual retreats and hosting/planning the 2019 MC Canada Youth Gathering, Shake. MC Sask is grateful for the energy, integrity, and commitment she brought to her work, and the ways she instilled this spirit into our wider church family as well. We wish her well in this next season of life.

Announcements will be made over the summer regarding future youth ministry programming. Contact Executive Minister Len Rempel with any questions, minister@mcsask.ca.

Congratulations. William Janzen a former director of the Ottawa office of MCC has become a Member of the Order of Canada. Bill, a brother to George Janzen and a friend to many in this congregation, is well known in the Valley area for his interest in Mennonite history. This is what was written for his nomination:

William Janzen, C.M.

Ottawa, Ontario

For over 30 year, William Janzen served as director of the Ottawa Office of the Mennonite Central Committee Canada. He has influenced government policy development and made contributions to refugee resettlement, citizenship, development aid and peace building. He was instrumental in the creation of the Private Sponsorship of Refugees program, mobilizing Canadians to support incoming refugees, notably from Southeast Asia, thus marking a turning point in Canada's immigration policy.

Moving time is coming for Frieda from Osler home into her new village away from Osler to Bethany Manor. This will be happening during the July week of 12th to 18th July. Bruce Peters and Dave McDonald will both be coming to help. Contact Bruce for details and arrangements at: greydawnwm@gmail.com. Also, Sharleen is here for contact as well at Frieda's home 306.239.4361 or her BC # 604.746.6333 (call or text). Thank you in advance, any help will be greatly appreciated by all the family members.

Osler loading on Tuesday, July 16 @ 6:30pm and unloading at Bethany the next morning.

MCC Connects: Are you a young adult, or know a young adult, who is interested in exploring what it means to be an Anabaptist follower of Jesus in a complicated world? MCC's Seek program is a Christian discipleship program in Phnom Penh, Cambodia for young adults aged 18-20 that runs from January to June every year. All assignment-related costs are covered for this unique opportunity to live in community, dig deep into the word of God, and explore the richness of Cambodian culture. Applications are now open, and the deadline to apply is August 31. Learn more at: www.mcc.org/seek

CALENDAR

Sun. June 30 10:00 am Terry Stefaniuk speaking

11:00 am Congregational mtg

Mon. July 1 11:00 Osler Parade and Market in OMC Parking Lot

Sun. July 7 10:00 am Patty Friesen speaking

Sun. July 14 10:00 am Dave Feick speaking

Sun. July 21 10:00 am Luke Bushman speaking

Sun. July 28 10:00 am Patty Friesen speaking

NEXT SUNDAY July 7

Speaker: Patty Friesen

Worship Leader: Terry Stefaniuk

Song Leader: Kevin

Accompanist: Melanie

Story: Marlene Sound: Benjamin Ushers: Anna/Bill

Offering Counter Team: Diana Buhler, Matthew Braun

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