



# Osler Mennonite Church

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

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*10:00 a.m. Worship Service*

*October 30, 2022*

*A Friend of Sinners and Tax Collectors*

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship** *Psalm 32 paraphrased*

L: Happy are those whose sins are forgiven!

**P: Happy are those who refrain from lies and immoral behaviour!**

L: Keeping our wrongs to ourselves leads to physical and emotional pain.

**P: We feel separated from God.**

L: But when we confess our sins to God, when we bare our souls to God, we are forgiven.

**P: Let us all offer our prayers to God.**

L: For God is our hiding place; preserving us from trouble; surrounding us with cheers of deliverance! The Holy Spirit instructs us and counsels us in the way we should go. We are not like horses or mules, whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle. But steadfast love surrounds those who trust in God.

**P: So be glad in the Lord, rejoice and shout for joy, all who are upright in heart.**

**Prayer of Invocation: VT #996**

**Gathering Hymn: VT #**

**Children's Gathering Song – VT #510 Today Earth is Singing**

Today earth is singing with stars up above,  
Our arms wide in welcome for God's gift of love;  
We greet you, dear children, we're glad you are here;  
Your newness renews us and heaven comes near.

**Children's Time: Jake Buhler**

## **Sharing Gifts of Offering and Prayer**

*Meditation Music*

## **Sharing Joys and Concerns and Prayer**

- Pastor Luke starting Nov. 1
- Tina and Peter Sawatzky's 65th anniversary
- First Mennonite's 90th anniversary today
- condolence to Brandee Borne on the deaths of her father and grandmother

## **Hymn: VT #**

### **Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 1:10-18**

Hear the word of YHWH, you rulers of "Sodom"! Listen to the command of YHWH, you people of "Gomorraah": "These interminable sacrifices of yours: what are they to me?" says YHWH. "I am fed up with burnt offerings of rams and the fat of calves! The blood of bulls, lambs, and goats nauseates me. When you came to present yourselves before me, who asked you to trample over my courts? Don't bring any more of your useless offerings to me - their incense fills me with loathing. New moons, Sabbaths, assemblies - I cannot endure another festival of injustice! Your new moons and your pilgrimages I despise with all my soul. They are wearisome to me; I am tired of bearing them. When you open up your hands in prayer, I turn my eyes away from you. You may heap prayer upon prayer, but I won't hear them - your hands are covered with blood! Wash! Clean yourselves! Get your injustice out of my sight! Cease to do evil and learn to do good! Search for justice and help the oppressed! Protect those who are orphaned and plead the case of those who are widowed! "Come now! Let's look at the choices before you," says YHWH. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they can be white as snow. Though they are red as crimson, they can be like fleece.

## **Hymn: VT #**

### **Epistle Reading: 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12**

To the church of the Thessalonians, who belong to our Abba God and our Savior Jesus Christ: Grace and peace be yours from our Abba God and our Savior Jesus Christ. It's only right that we thank God unceasingly for you, sisters and brothers, because your faith grows more

and more, and your love for each other increases - so much so that in God's churches we boast about your perseverance and faith in the midst of all the persecutions and trials you are enduring. Knowing all this, we pray continually that God will make you worthy of the call, fulfill all your desires for goodness, and empower all your works of faith. In this way, the name of our Savior Jesus Christ will be glorified in you, and you in Christ, by the grace of our God and of our Savior Jesus Christ.

**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 #**

**Biblical Storytelling:** Zaccheus

**Hymn: VT #170 "Wonderful Grace of Jesus"**

**Benediction:** May our God help us respond to the call of love with every good resolve and work of faith so that the name of Jesus may be glorified. Amen. Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*\*Offerings can be done via e-transfer to [osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:osler.mc.treasurer@gmail.com)*

**TODAY'S WORSHIP October 30**

Speaker: Patty Friesen      Worship Leader: Dave Feick  
Song Leaders: Kathryn, Ben, Dayna      Accompanist: Naomi  
Children's Time: Jake      Sound: Keri/James      Ushers: Lloyd/Harold  
S.S. Teachers: Youth- Matthew Braun, Children- Loretta Sawatzky

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

**Patty's Week:** Tues. sermon; Weds. Office; Fri. office

**Birthdays:** 31 – Zenon Borne; November 2 – Marlene Campbell;  
5 – Kaytee Edwards- Buhler

**Snack/Coffee Schedule:** Oct 30 – George Janzen  
Nov 6 - ???

***Please consider signing up to bring a snack and prepare the coffee!***

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Deacons Announcements:** Want to be a part of a prayer chain for Creation Care? Talk to Julie. Want to be part of a prayer chain for Congregation Care? Talk to Frieda.

**Memorial Sunday Nov. 20** with candle lighting in memory of loved ones. Please tell a deacon if you would like them to light a candle in memory of your loved one.

Please talk to Pastor Luke or Pastor Patty if interested in a couple of **baptism conversations**. We will be sharing our faith stories with deacons on Sun. Dec. 6, 11:00 a.m. Baptism Class/Faith Conversations with Luke and Patty starts Sun. Nov. 6, 12:00 Osler restaurant.

**\*Council:** Committees please have your budgets in to Matthew by Nov. 15 and reports to Loretta by Jan. 8. AGM is Sat. Feb. 4, 9:30 a.m. with coffee and donuts.

**\*Worship: Impromptu Advent Choir** will meet Sundays in Advent starting Nov. 28, 9:00 a.m. to share a song for meditation time and for Christmas Eve.

**From OMC's treasurer:** As of the end of September, we have received roughly \$21,000 less than our 2022 budget for the same period. While we have also spent less than expected, our programming costs have exceeded our donations during the first 9 months of the year by roughly \$12,745. Please consider contacting the treasurer to increase your regular giving. Thank you to everyone for your support of the work of the church.

Jan to Sept 2022	Actual	Budget
<b>Revenue</b>	\$126,713.56	\$148,076.16
<b>Expenses</b>	\$139,458.71	\$149,161.65
<b>Difference</b>	\$-12,745.15	
Jan to Sept 2021		
<b>Donations</b>	\$131,069.52	\$143,721.85
<b>Expenses</b>	\$130,912.93	\$145,342.79
<b>Difference</b>	\$156.59	

Matthew Braun *Osler Mennonite Church Treasurer*

## **MCSask Updates:**

**Sunday, Oct 30, North Star Mennonite Church** will be holding its last service with Dan Graber as he enters retirement after 45 years of ministry. We praise God for Dan's faithful ministry and God's ongoing faithful presence at NSMC.

**First Mennonite Church is holding a 90th Anniversary Celebration** on Sunday, Oct 30, at 1 p.m. Let's remember, celebrate and give thanks for their congregation's faithful presence for almost a century!

**Forest Church Nov. 6:** Coffee enthusiast, backyard church planter and all-around nice guy Rev. Dr. Josh Wallace brings the main input to outdoor worship at Forest Church. 3pm at Shekinah. All are welcome

**Tues. Nov. 15, 7:00 p.m.** Custodians film at the Community Hall about important Indigenous findings at Herschel. *Details to follow.*

**Forever in Motion** is starting up again at the Osler Community Hall. Tuesdays & Fridays 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Wear running shoes and bring a water bottle. *Free Drop in Classes.*

**\*The Bethany Chorus** has begun rehearsals for a Christmas concert with conductor Duff Warkentin and accompanist Verna Olfert. If you are a tenor, please join us! Don't be discouraged, we take all other voice parts! Rehearsals are Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m. until November 28 in the Fellowship Centre at Bethany Manor, 110 La Ronge Road, Saskatoon. Note: Masks optional (until further notice) The Concert will be Monday, December 5, 2022

**\*MCC Connect:** 'We're Growing, We're Moving!

Village Green Furniture and Village Green Thrift will be moving to a new building on the corner of 33rd St and Quebec Ave. This new building will have ample free parking, a larger retail floor and will allow both shops to be under one roof. It also comes with new volunteer opportunities; Whether it is one-time help like, assisting with the move or organizing items in the new location, joining us as we paint on Nov. 1st-7<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 15-20<sup>th</sup>, or joining the team with a schedule that works for you. To find out how to participate e-mail [andyarthur@mccsk.ca](mailto:andyarthur@mccsk.ca) or call the MCC Saskatchewan office, 306-665-2555. Stay tuned for grand opening festivities, in the New Year!

**RJC Kiekle Supper Fundraiser at Bethany Manor** | November 16  
Join us for a fundraising concert and supper at Bethany Manor in support of RJC High School. There will be two settings. First dinner seating at 4:30pm for Bethany Manor residents. Second dinner seating at 6:30pm for RJC family & friends. Please RSVP to office@rjc.sk.ca or call 306-232-4222.

**RJC Spend-A-Day** | November 23 Prospective students in Grades 7-11 are invited to experience a day in the life at RJC. Please contact admissions@rjc.sk.ca or call 306-232-4222 for more information.

**\*The Food Services Department at Bethany Manor** is hiring for Casual Assistant Cooks. Please call Jennifer Bulka, Food Services Manager, at 306-380-7920 if interested in learning more about this opportunity!

Whenever I try to eat Healthy a Chocolate Bar looks at me and *Snickers!*

### OMC Calendar

- Oct 30 10:00 am Patty Friesen**  
Nov 2 Pastor Luke's orientation  
**Nov 6 10:00 am Patty Friesen** *Remembering Frederick Bechner*  
11:00 am Deacon's mtg in Patty's office  
Nov 8 7:00 pm Community Connections Zoom  
**Nov 13 10:00 am George Janzen**  
Nov 15 7:00 pm Custodians Film @ Osler Community Hall  
**Nov 20 10:00 am Patty Friesen** Memorial Sunday

**NEXT SUNDAY WORSHIP November 6**  
Speaker: Patty Friesen                      Worship Leader: Adeline  
Song Leaders: Loretta, Michelle              Accompanist: Lynette  
Children's Time: Adeline      Sound: Mathew/Luke      Ushers: Lloyd/Harold  
S.S. Teachers: Youth- Stephanie              Children- Loretta Sawatzky

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