

# Osler Mennonite Church

A Welcoming Community for Peace

Following Jesus on the Path of Reconciliation



10:00 a.m. Worship Service

February 14, 2021

“Come My Way, My Truth, My Love”

Prelude

Welcome, Announcements

Call to Worship – Hymn: VT #141 “Create in Me a Clean Heart” (based on Psalm 51:10-12)

2162 RECONCILING: Confession of Sin  
141 Create in Me a Clean Heart  
CLEAN HEART Irregular  
Refrain Em7 A7 Em7  
Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me.  
1 D2 A2 A2/F#  
2 D2 Em7 To verses Final D2 Em7  
spir - it with - in me, spir - it with - in me,  
and re - new a right spir - it with - in me. Fine  
RECONCILING: Confession of Sin  
Verses Bm7 Solo or unison Em7  
1 Have mer - cy on me, O God,  
2 I know that I have sinned.  
3 You look for truth with - in me.  
4 Re - store to me your joy.  
Cmaj7 Bm7 Bbm7  
ac - cord - ing to your stead - fast love.  
For my trans - gres - sions are be - fore me.  
Teach me your wis - dom in my heart.  
Sus - tain in me a will - ing spir - it.  
Am7 Cmaj7 G  
Come wash me clean from my in - iq - ui - ty, and  
F Am7 C D Eb To refrain  
cleans me from my sin, O God.  
God, Grant Us Mercy 142  
Refrain All O PHARISEOS Irregular  
God, grant us mer - cy and for - give - ness.  
Leader:  
1 O God, you condemn the ones who boast of great deeds. Refrain  
2 O God, your grace flows to all who humbly seek you. Refrain  
3 For you disdain our haughty minds, our empty, prideful thoughts. Refrain

Prayer of Invocation

Hymn of Praise: VT #57 "Holy Spirit, Come with Power"

102 GATHERING: God's Presence with Us

# 57 Holy Spirit, Come with Power

(Ven, Espíritu, cual viento)

BEACH SPRING 8.7.8.7 D

The musical score is written in 3/2 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are provided in three parts (1, 2, 3) and a Spanish translation. Chord symbols are placed above the vocal line.

1 Ho - ly Spir - it, come with pow - er, breathe in - to our  
2 Ho - ly Spir - it, come with fi - re, burn us with your  
3 Ho - ly Spir - it, bring your mes - sage, burn and breathe each  
1 Ven, Es - pí - ri - tu, cual vien - to, so - pla en la os -

ach - ing night. We ex - pect you this glad ho - ur, wait - ing  
pres - ence new. Let us as one might - y cho - ir sing our  
word a - new deep in - to our tir - ed liv - ing till we  
cu - ri - dad. Es - pe - ra - mos hoy con an - sias tu gran

for your strength and light. We are fear - ful, we are  
hymn of praise to you. Burn a - way our wast - ed  
strive your work to do. Teach us love and trust - ing  
luz y cla - ri - dad. A - ni - ma - dos y go -

ail - ing, we are weak and self - ish too. Break up -  
sad - ness and en - flame us with your love. Burst up -  
kind - ness, lend our hands to those who hurt. Breathe up -  
zo - sos an - he - la - mos tu buen don: que des -

Text: Anne Neufeld Rupp (USA), © 1970 Anne Neufeld Rupp; Spanish trans. Barbara Mink (USA), alt., © 1988 Barbara Mink  
Music: attr. B. F. White (USA), *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; harm. Joan Fyock Norris (USA), © 1989 Joan Fyock Norris

on your congregation, give us vigor, like anew.  
on your congregation, give us gladness from above.  
on your congregation and inspire us with your Word.

**Children's Gathering Song: "Jesus Loves Me"**

Children's Time: Jake Buhler

**Offering Prayer and Offertory**

**Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church**

- thankfulness for the great AGM

- Susan Bueckert in St. Paul's Hospital – cards may be sent to her in care of Karen Dyck, 315 Stacey Crescent, Saskatoon, SK S7L 7A8

**Gospel Reading: Matthew 6:19-21**

19 That's why whoever breaks the least significant of these commands and teaches others to do the same will be called the least in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever fulfills and teaches these commands will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. 20 "I tell you, unless your sense of justice surpasses that of the religious scholars and the Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven. 21 "You've heard that our ancestors were told, 'No killing' and, 'Every murderer will be subject to judgment.'

**Hymn: VT #62 "God Is Here among Us"**

# 62 Gott ist gegenwärtig (God Is Here among Us)

WUNDERBARER KÖNIG 6.6.8.6.6.8.3.3.6.6

1 Gott ist ge - gen - wär - tig, Las - set uns an - be - ten  
 2 Gott ist ge - gen - wär - tig, dem die Che - ru - bi - nen  
 1 God is here a - mong us: come with a - do - ra - tion,  
 2 Come, a - bide with - in me; let my soul, like Ma - ry,

und in Ehr - furcht vor ihm tre - ten. Gott ist in der  
 Tag und Nacht ge - bü - cket die - nen. "Hei - lig, hei - lig,  
 fer - vent praise and ex - pec - ta - tion. God is here with -  
 be thine earth - ly sanc - tu - ar - y. Come, in - dwell - ing

Mit - te. Al - les in uns schwei - ge und sich in - nigst  
 hei - lig!" sin - gen ihm zur Eh - re al - ler En - gel  
 in us: known be - yond be - liev - ing, soul in si - lent  
 Spir - it, with trans - fig - ured splen - dor; love and hon - or

vor ihm beu - ge. Wer ihn kennt, wer ihn nennt,  
 ho - he Chö - re. Herr, ver - nimm uns - re Stim - m,  
 awe re - ceiv - ing. God will name and will claim  
 will I ren - der. Where I go here be - low,

Text: German; Gerhard Tersteegen (present-day Germany), *Geistliches Blumengärtlein*, 1729; trans. *The Hymnal*, 1940, alt.  
 Music: Joachim Neander (present-day Germany), *Alpha und Omega, Glaub- und Liebesübung*, 1680

schlag die Au - gen nie - der; kommt, er - gebt euch wie - der.  
 da auch wir Ge - rin - gen uns - re Op - fer brin - gen.  
 those be - held as low - ly, mak - ing all things ho - ly.  
 let me bow be - fore thee, know thee, and a - dore thee.

3 Herr, komm in mir wohnen;  
 lass mein Herz auf Erden  
 dir ein Heiligtum noch werden.  
 Komm, du nahes Wesen;  
 dich in mir verkläre,  
 dass ich dich stets lieb und ehre.  
 Wo ich geh, sitz und steh,  
 lass mich dich erblicken  
 und vor dir mich bücken.

3 Gladly we surrender  
 earth's deceitful treasures,  
 pride of life, and sinful pleasures.  
 God, we gladly offer  
 thine to be forever,  
 soul and life and each endeavor.  
 Thou alone shalt be known  
 Lord of all our being,  
 life's true way decreeing.

# Like a Rock 63

LIKE A ROCK Irregular

Like a rock, like a rock, God is un - der our feet. Like the  
 star - ry night sky, God is o - ver our head. Like the  
 sun on the ho - ri - zon, God is ev - er be - fore. Like the riv -  
 er runs to o - cean, our home is in God ev - er - more.

Text: Keri K. Wehlander (Canada), 1998  
 Music: Linnea Good (Canada), 1999  
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**Epistle Reading:** 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:13

One: This makes us Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making the appeal directly through us. Therefore, we implore you in Christ's name: be reconciled to God.

**People: For our sake, God made the One who was without sin to be sin, so that by this means we might become the very holiness of God.**

O: As Christ's coworkers we beg you not to receive the grace of God in vain.

For God says through Isaiah, "At the acceptable time I heard you, and on the day of salvation I helped you."

**P: Now is the acceptable time! Now is the day of salvation! We take pains to avoid giving offense to anyone, for we don't want our ministry to be blamed. Instead, in all that we do we try to present ourselves as ministers of God,**

O: acting with patient endurance amid trials, difficulties, distresses, beatings, imprisonments and riots; in hard work, sleepless nights and hunger.

**P: We conduct ourselves with innocence, knowledge, patience and kindness in the Holy Spirit, in sincere love, with the message of truth and the power of God,**

O: wielding the weapons of justice with both right hand and left—

**P: regardless of whether we are honored or dishonored, spoken of favorably or unfavorably. We are called impostors, yet we are truthful;**

O: we are called unknowns, yet we are famous;

**P: we are said to be dying, yet we are alive;**

O: punished, but not put to death;

**P: sorrowful, though we are always rejoicing;**

O: poor, yet we enrich many.

**P: We seem to have nothing, yet we possess everything!**

O: We have spoken frankly to you, Corinthians; we've opened our hearts wide to you. We're not holding anything back; you, on the other hand, are holding back your affection from us. It would be a fair exchange—I speak as to my children—if you'd open your hearts as widely to us as we do to you.

**Response to the Scripture:**

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 #466 "The Bread We Break Is Telling"**

**Sermon: "From Taking to Receiving"**

**Preparation for Communion: VT#937 – Pledge of Love**

Leader: Friends, as we gather to eat the bread and drink the cup, let us respond with the pledge of love.

Will you love God before all things, in the power of God's living Word, and join yourself to God's way?

**All: By the grace of God, I will.**

Leader: Will you love and serve our neighbours, and lay down your life through the power of Jesus Christ, who laid down his life for us?

**All: By the grace of God, I will.**

Leader: Will you support and challenge one another, speak and hear the truth, cease what causes harm to our neighbours, and do good to our enemies?

**All: By the grace of God, I will.**

Leader: May the Spirit of God who calls the church to Christ's Supper give us the grace, strength, and patience to live this pledge of love.

**All: Amen.**

## **Communion Prayer VT #941**

Leader: O God, ancient of Days, your love brought galaxies into being, summoned water and sky, earth and all creature and made us in your image.

Through the ages you have cared for all your created.

When we wandered, you called us to return to you.

In the fullness of time, you sent us the Messiah, Jesus Christ, to teach the law of love.

He lived what he taught and loved his enemies to the end.

In wonder, we remember the life Jesus lived, laid down, and look up again for us.

Send your Spirit upon us so that the bread we break and the cup we share may be the communion of the body of Christ.

Send your Spirit upon us so that we can live, conformed to Christ, who taught us to pray

*...Prayer Jesus taught...*

Leader: Jesus, on the night when he was betrayed, took a loaf of bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "When you share bread together, remember me."

**All:** *Blessed are you abundant God, for you made bread to strengthen us; you gave us this bread as a sign of your body. Let our sharing be a taste of the bread of heaven that feeds the world. Amen.*

Leader: The gifts of God for the people of God.

**All:** *Thanks be to God.*

Leader: Jesus took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant. When you drink it together, remember me."

**All:** *Blessed are you, bountiful God, for you made the fruit of the vine to nourish us; you gave us this cup as a sign of your blood. Let our sharing be a taste of the wine we shall drink in your joyful feast Amen.*

Leader: The gifts of God for the people of God.

**All:** *Thanks be to God.*

*(Participants may eat & drink together)*

## **Prayer after Communion VT #942**

**All:** *Blessed are you, Eternal God; through this holy meal you have joined us to yourself and to one another.*

*Blessed are you, Incarnated God; you have put your life into our hands; now we put our lives into yours.*

*Blessed are you, Breath of God as we go forth, set us free to follow where you lead.*

*Amen.*

**Sending Hymn:** VT #813 "Heart with Loving Heart United"

## **Benediction**

God of all light, illumine our lives that we may see rightly, act justly and love deeply. In the example of Jesus, we pray, Amen. *Go in peace.*

## **TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM**

Speaker: Patty Friesen      Worship Leader: Dave Feick

Song Leaders: Michelle McKinnell, Ben Buhler      Accompanist: Naomi Schellenberg

Children's Time: Jake Buhler      Sound: Stephanie Siemens

Ushers: Bill or Anna Peters

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**\*Mosaic Sunday School class:** Every Sunday at 11:00am via Zoom. The password is: Mosaic. This the link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87212174301> Meeting ID: 872 1217 4301

**\*February 17 Ash Wednesday Zoom 7:00-7:30 p.m.** Come for a short service of scripture, sharing about the songs, scriptures we want at our funerals and anointing ourselves with lotion.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZMrcuyojstH9zhs4YXOTRLHCxm1WVb0QKT/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGvqD4vGtCVtxyPRpwEBI\\_4Z\\_TwiGJagvpHIAyxOhh8VjHaHsFaP-NIJtqA](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/tZMrcuyojstH9zhs4YXOTRLHCxm1WVb0QKT/ics?icsToken=98tyKuGvqD4vGtCVtxyPRpwEBI_4Z_TwiGJagvpHIAyxOhh8VjHaHsFaP-NIJtqA)

Join Zoom Meeting

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**\*Active Bystanders Training** - On Sunday, February 28<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm, we have contracted Heather and Amanda from MCC SK to provide the Training Active Bystanders course for our congregation. This training “empowers bystanders and gives them the competencies they need if they decide to take action when they witness something they feel is unfair, or wrong, or troubling.” You can read more about this training at [trainingactivebystanders.org](http://trainingactivebystanders.org).

The session will last for 2-3 hours and will be held online via video chat. It is open to the first 15-20 youth and adults who sign up. To reserve your space, or for more information, please email Christy at [martensfunk@gmail.com](mailto:martensfunk@gmail.com) or call 306-381-9487.

**\*Refugee Fund** – consider donating your bottles &/or cans by using the Sarcan Drop & Go system. Register using the group name "LRS" and use the group phrase "Refugee" and you are all set! The bag tags and receipt will be printed, and any money will go straight to Lina's support.

**Call for RJC alumni & friends to join virtual choirs:** We invite anyone interested to join one or both of the virtual alumni & friends choirs that Richard Janzen is putting together for RJC's upcoming Virtual Choirs & Cakes fundraiser event on March 14. There will be a mass choir (alumni, friends, greater community, & RJC students) and an alumni & friends choir. All are welcome. If you are interested in singing, email [richard@rjc.sk.ca](mailto:richard@rjc.sk.ca).

**\*Friendship Inn** – It may be sunny this week, but those -20 C temperatures in February are approaching... Brrrr If you are interested in donating, we are hoping for mittens and gloves for our guests! Donations can be dropped off at the Inn from 7:30 am – 2:30 pm, daily. Thank you, friendship Inn family! #BeAFriend #FriendsoftheInn

**The 2021 MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions will be held virtually on Saturday, March 13.** Registration and report book available soon.

**Save the Date – MC Sask Virtual Youth Retreat – March 27.** We are PUMPED to be planning a one-day, online gathering for youth! With games, cool hang-out spaces, a speaker, coffeehouse, and a one-of-a-kind virtual layout of Shekinah, we are excited to be bringing youth together again. Mark your calendars, and watch for more information coming soon!

**MCC Connects:** Due to our response to the COVID-19 pandemic and multiple situations of crisis locally and around the world, MCC's warehouse inventory has depleted. Help meet the urgent needs of families by donating a hygiene kit today. Drop off supplies at the MCC Saskatchewan Centre, or donate funds by contacting us by phone: (306) 655-2555 or email: [saskoffice@mccsk.ca](mailto:saskoffice@mccsk.ca). For information on what makes up a hygiene kit, visit <https://mcccanada.ca/get-involved/kits/hygiene>.

“Love your neighbour!” How do we do this when there are points of tension? Saskatchewan is still wrestling with the aftermath of Colten Boushie’s tragic death in 2016. MCC Saskatchewan invites you to an online discussion with **Tasha Hubbard** (film maker), **Doug Cuthand** (author and journalist), and MCC’s own **Amanda Dodge**, about Hubbard’s 2019 documentary *nipawistamâsowin: We Will Stand Up*. Free and open to all, this event will take place **February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**. To register, visit <https://www.cognitofrms.com/MennoniteCentralCommittee2/WeWillStandUp>. The following week, Saskatchewan participants will have the opportunity for a follow-up debrief (**Mar 4, 7pm**), hosted by the “Walking The Path” group of MC Sask.

**AMBS-Scholarships available!** Ready to pursue seminary studies? Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary offers scholarships for students learning both on campus and at a distance. Generous need-based financial aid is also available to help make your education affordable. Apply for merit-based scholarships by March 1 and ministry scholarships by April 1. [ambs.edu/grow](http://ambs.edu/grow)

For those of you who prescribe to **REJOICE!** – the new one is in your mailbox

**2021 Directory** – the new issue is being worked on so we needed your updates! Please check your 2020 directory to make sure that your contact information is correct.

#### **UPDATES FROM THE AGM**

- Media upgrade for the sanctuary – a generous donor is willing to match donations for slide projector/computer project. Please consider a designated donation.
- The Voice Together Hymnal ended up costly \$6 a book more than budgeted for – if you purchased a book for your own use or as a donation to the church, please consider an extra donation to cover this shortfall.

***FYI – Please beware of hackers trying to bomb Zoom meetings and engage us on Facebook.***

#### **OMC CALENDAR**

Feb 15 Family Day – no Kid’s weekly Bible School Zoom

Feb 17 Ash Wednesday Zoom 7:00 pm

Feb 18 No Youth – School Break

Feb 22 Kid’s weekly Bible School Zoom 7:00 pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81481820482?pwd=WWpqVS80TGZENmwwTzlIMXFUubGEwZz09>

Meeting ID: 814 8182 0482

Passcode: OMC

Feb 25 Youth weekly Group/Bible School zoom 7:00 pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86021792328?pwd=ZmlteEUvTXBsWDRxWVRBRnVSZ3NhQT09>

Meeting ID: 860 2179 2328

Passcode: Youth

Feb 28 Training Active Bystanders 1:00 pm via video link



## Upcoming in Sanctuary & Facebook Live Sunday Services:

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Feb 21 First Sunday of Lent - Patty Friesen  
Feb 28 George Janzen preaching  
Mar 7 Patty Friesen preaching  
Mar 14 Dave Feick preaching

**Patty's week:** Tues Lent prep, spiritual direction, chaplains support grp, Weds. office, Fri. office  
**Nora's Week:** Holidays Feb 13 – 27

### NEXT SUNDAY'S WORSHIP TEAM: February 21

Speaker: Patty Friesen      Worship Leader: Adeline Cox  
Song Leaders: Michelle McKinnell, Dayna Stefaniuk, Lynette Janzen  
Accompanist: Melanie Boldt      Children's Time: Adeline Cox  
Sound: Matthew Stefaniuk      Ushers: Bill or Anna Peters

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