



# Osler Mennonite Church

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

*10:00 a.m. Worship Service*

*June 27, 2021*

*“Favour not Exhausted”*

## **Prelude**

## **Welcome/Announcements**

### **Call to Worship: Psalm 130**

L: Out of the depths I cry to you, Yhwh! God, hear my voice!

**P: Let your ears be attentive to my voice, my cries for mercy!**

L: If you kept track of our sins, Yhwh, who could stand before you?

**P: But with you is forgiveness, and for this we revere you.**

L: So I wait for you, Yhwh - my soul waits,  
and in your word I place my trust.

**P: My soul longs for you, Yhwh, more than sentinels long for the  
dawn, more than sentinels long for the dawn.**

L: Israel, put your hope in Yhwh, for with Yhwh is abundant love  
and the fullness of deliverance;

**P: God will deliver Israel from all its failings.**

## **Prayer of Invocation**

**Hymn of Praise: VT #608 “O Love That Will Not Let Me Go”**

## O Love That Will Not Let Me Go 608

ST. MARGARET 8.8.8.8.6

G Dsus D D7

1 O Love that will not let me go, I rest my  
2 O Light that fol-lows all my way, I yield my  
3 O Joy that seek-est me through pain, I can - not  
4 O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not

G B

wea - ry soul in thee. I give thee back the life I  
flick-'ring torch to thee. My heart re-stores its bor-rowed  
close my heart to thee. I trace the rain-bow through the  
ask to fly from thee. I lay in dust, life's glo - ry

Em A7

owe, that in thine o - cean depths its  
ray, that in thy sun - shine's blaze its  
rain, and feel the prom - ise is not  
dead, and from the ground there blos - soms

G/D D G/D D7 G

flow may rich - er, full - er be.  
day may bright - er, fair - er be.  
vain, that morn shall tear - less be.  
red, life that shall end - less be.

\*An adaptation of this tune (ST. MARGARET) is available in the accompaniment edition.

Text: George Matheson (Scotland), 1882, *Life and Work* . . . 1883  
Music: Albert L. Peace (England), 1884, *Scottish Hymnal*, 1885

**Old Testament Reading: Lamentations 3:22-24**

Yhwh's favour is not exhausted, nor has God's compassion failed.  
They rise up anew each morning, so great is God's faithfulness.  
"Yhwh is all I have," I cry. "So I will wait in patience."

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

Today earth is singing with star 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 – Lynette Janzen

**Offering Prayer/Offertory:**

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

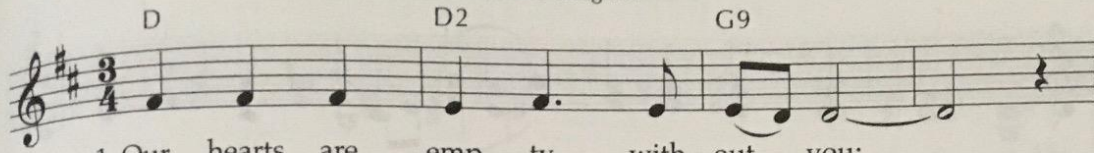
- end of school year
- farmers during drought
- Dr. Susanne Guenther Loewen's ordination today
- reopening plans?
- Karen Dyck's health
- Susan Bueckert's health and her upcoming 96<sup>th</sup> birthday
- ongoing grief of residential school deaths

**Hymn: VT #225      "We Come"**

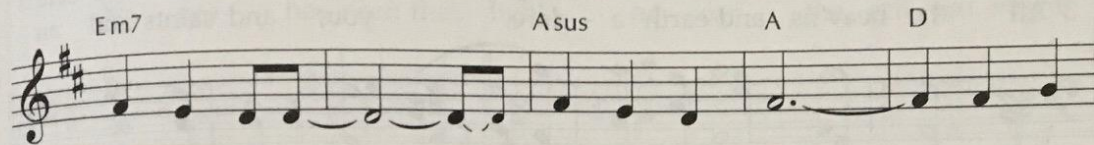
# We Come

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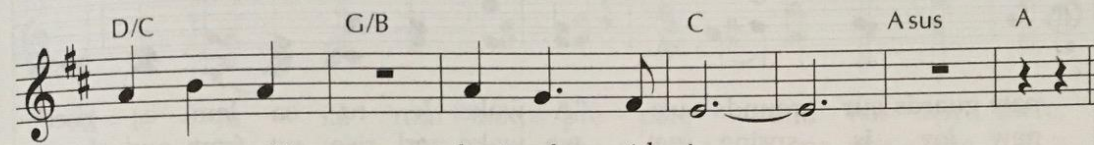
WE COME Irregular



1 Our hearts are emp - ty with - out you;  
2 Some - times we long for the morn - ing,

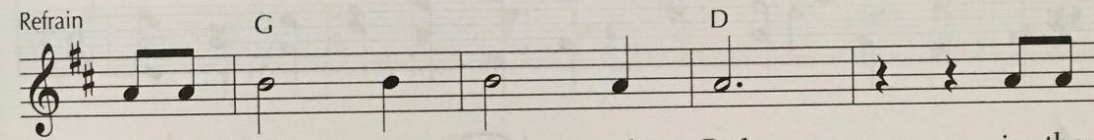


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for a re - frain from etch - ings in pain, yet our

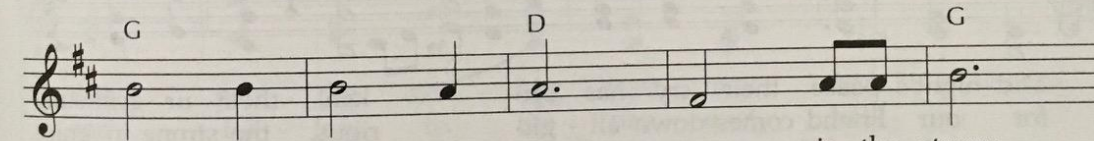


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lone - li - ness draws us to you.

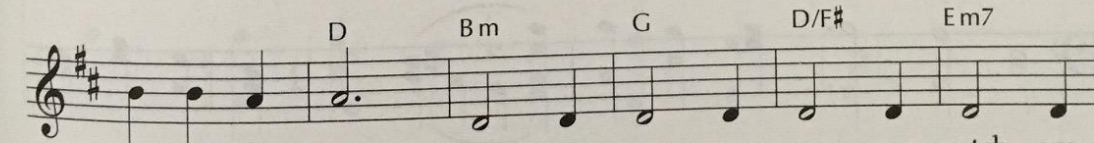
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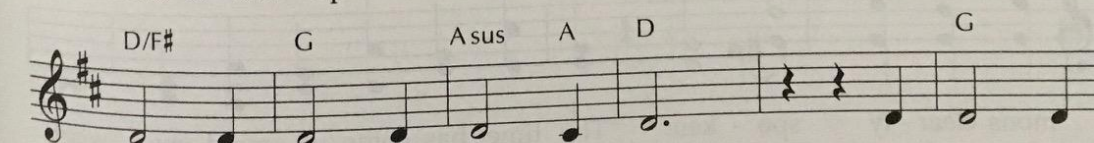
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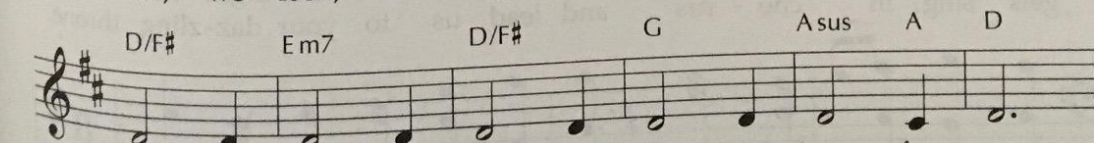
sav - ing name of Je - sus, in the strong



name of the Spir - it, we come, we cry, we watch, we



wait, we look, we long for you, we come, we



cry, we watch, we wait, we look, we long for you.



**Gospel Reading: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15**

That just as you are rich in every respect, in faith and discourse, in knowledge, in total concern, and in the love we inspired in you, you may also abound in this work of grace.

It is not an order I am giving you, but the opportunity to test your generous love against the earnestness which others show. You are well acquainted with the favour shown by our Savior Jesus Christ, who, though rich, became poor for your sake, so that you might become rich by Christ's poverty.

As I say, this is only a suggestion—it's my counsel about what is best for you in this matter. A year ago, you were not only the first to act, but you did so willingly. Finish that work, so that your eagerness to begin can be matched by your eagerness to finish, according to your means. For so long as the heart is willing, it's what you have that is acceptable, not what you don't have.

This doesn't mean that by giving relief to others, you ought to make things difficult for yourselves! It's just a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need; one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance, as scripture says: "The one who gathered much had no excess, and the one who gathered little did not go short."

**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 #420 "God of the Bible"**

420 **God of the Bible**  
 CONFESSING FAITH  
 FRESH AS THE MORNING 5.5.5.4.5.5.4 with refrain

1 God of the Bi-ble, God in the gos-pel, hope seen in  
 2 God in our strug-gles, God in our hun-ger, suf-fer-ing  
 3 Those with-out sta-tus, those who are noth-ing, you have made  
 4 Not by your fin-ger, not by your an-ger will our world  
 5 Hope we must car-ry, shin-ing and cer-tain through all our

Je-sus, hope yet to come, you are our cen-ter, day-light or  
 with us, tak-ing our part, still you em-pow'r us, moth-er-ing  
 roy-al, gift-ed with rights, cho-sen as part-ners, mid-wives of  
 or-der change in a day, but by your peo-ple, fear-less and  
 tur-moil, ter-ror and loss, bond-ing us glad-ly one to the

dark-ness, free-dom or pris-on, you are our home.  
 Spir-it, feed-ing, sus-tain-ing, from your own heart.  
 jus-tice, birth-ing new sys-tems, light-ing new lights.  
 faith-ful, small pa-per lan-terns, light-ing the way.  
 oth-er, till our world chang-es, fac-ing the cross.

Refrain: Fresh as the morn-ing, sure as the sun-rise, God al-ways faith-ful,  
 Fresh as the sun-rise, al-ways faith-ful,  
 you do not change. Fresh as the morn-ing, sure as the sun-rise,  
 you do not change. Fresh as the sun-rise,  
 God al-ways faith-ful, you do not change.  
 al-ways faith-ful, you do not change.

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 Music: Tony E. Alonso (USA), © 2001 GIA Publishing

Sermon: "Favour not Exhausted"

Sending Hymn: VT #613 "God, Be with Us"

**God, Be with Us** 613

JOURNEY 8.7.10

D Em

1 God, be with us on our jour - ney, Je - sus, keep us  
2 Lov - ing God, we share our sor - rows, and we bring our  
3 As we walk through times of trou - ble, hold us in your

A A7 Bm G A A7 D

in your care, Spir - it, em - pow - er us and give us peace.  
joys to you. Bless and in - spire us to live a - new.  
warm em-brace. Give us your strength and wis-dom, light and grace.

Text: Joanne Bender (Canada)  
Music: Joanne Bender  
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**Benediction:** (adapted from VT #822)

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God of Love.

**TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM**

Speaker: Nora Pederberg      Worship Leader: George Janzen  
Song Leaders: Kathryn, Michelle, Doug      Accompanist: Naomi S  
Children's Time: Lynette J      Sound: James & Keri      Usher: Lloyd

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

**Nora's Week:** Will be on holidays June 28-July 4

**This week's Yard Maintenance** – D & D McKinnell & K Martens/M McKinnell

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **\*RJC News:**

**Employment Opportunity - Head Caretaker.** Full-time, permanent position. The Head Caretaker is responsible for providing a safe, clean environment in the school, dormitory and on campus; and for managing, ordering supplies and coordinating all aspects of school cleaning. View the full job description at [rjc.sk.ca/about/employment-opportunities](http://rjc.sk.ca/about/employment-opportunities) Send all resumes to the principal, Ryan Wood, at [ryan@rjc.sk.ca](mailto:ryan@rjc.sk.ca).

**MCC Connects:** Volunteers are needed in MCC's Meadowgreen Den program. This program delivers safe after school programming three to four times a week for close to 50 Newcomer, Indigenous and Settler children and youth (ages 3-15). We are looking for volunteers to help us run various summer activities. All activities are designed to adhere to COVID-19 restrictions. Contact Amanda Dodge at [saskoffice@mccsk.ca](mailto:saskoffice@mccsk.ca) for more information.

### **\*MC SASK UPDATES**

**Congratulations to Dr. Susanne Guenther Loewen** as she is ordained as a Minister of the Gospel at Nutana Park Mennonite Church *today*. We wish them God's blessings as they celebrate.

**Wildwood Mennonite Church** in Saskatoon invites applications for a half-time pastor! Learn more about us at <https://wildwoodmennonite.org/engage/hiring> and check out the job description here. Please email applications to Denise Martens [searchchair@wildwoodmennonite.org](mailto:searchchair@wildwoodmennonite.org)

**July 4 Forest church at Shekinah 3:00pm.** The first Sunday of every month: outdoor worship with music, scripture, community, and the opportunity to encounter God in the beauty of creation. See under 'news' at [shekinah.ca](http://shekinah.ca) or find the forest church Facebook group for more info. All are welcome.

**Shekinah Retreat Centre is looking for maintenance workers and kitchen workers.** Please contact [ron@shekinah.ca](mailto:ron@shekinah.ca), call the office at 306-945-4929, or check out the news item on our website at [shekinah.ca](http://shekinah.ca) for more information. Applicants must be between the ages of 15-30. Jobs will run for 8 weeks, with maintenance work starting ASAP.

### **NEXT SUNDAY'S WORSHIP TEAM: July 4**

Speaker: Patty Friesen      Worship Leader: Patty Friesen  
Song Leaders: Ben B, Michelle M      Accompanist: Lynette J  
Children's Time: Kathy B      Sound: Stephanie      Usher: Harold

### OMC CALENDAR

**July 4 10:00 am** Patty Friesen speaking *(also on Facebook)*

**July 11 10:00 am** Lois Miller speaking *(also on Facebook)*  
*(Bring your own food and chair for a Churchyard picnic)*

July 14 2:00 pm Celebrate Susan Bueckert's birthday on her yard

July 17 7:00 pm MEGA Menno – Online Youth event

**July 18 10:00 am** Patty Friesen speaking *(also on Facebook)*

**July 25 10:00 am** Nora Pederberg speaking *(also on Facebook)*

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