

Osler Mennonite Church

A Welcoming Community for Peace

Following Jesus on the Path of Reconciliation



10:00 a.m. Worship Service

May 9, 2021

“The Difference Easter Makes”

Prelude Slideshow

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship: *(Based on Psalm 98)*

Sing to God a new song,

For God has done marvelous things.

God’s love creates for us a generous dwelling place,

May all the earth sing for joy.

God will judge all things with perfect justice;

In the place where God dwells there is boundless love.

The waves clap their hands and the hills sing songs of joy,

Let all who live on the earth shout “Glory to God.”

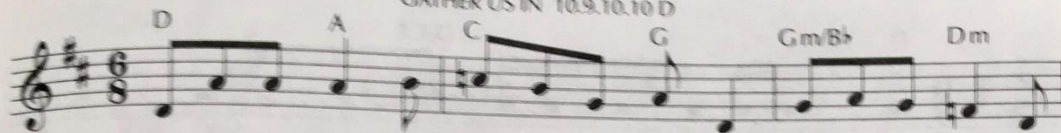
Prayer of Invocation:

Hymn of Praise: VT #10 “Here in This Place”

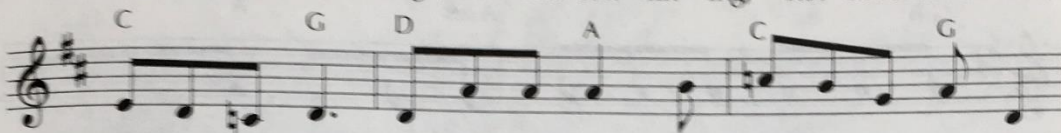
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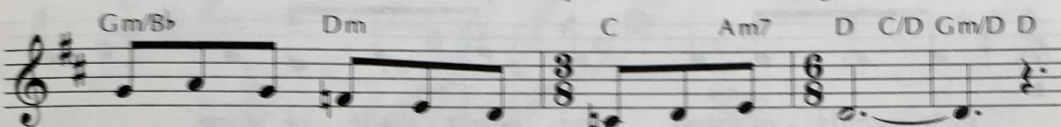
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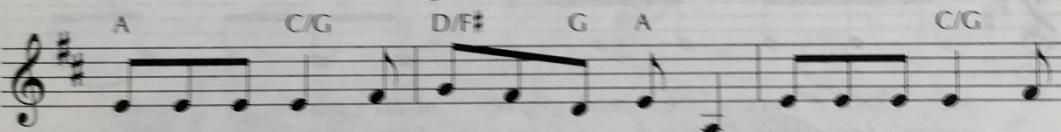
1 Here in this place, the new light is stream-ing; now are the shad-ows
 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-t'ry. We are the old who
 3 Here we will take the wine of com-pas-sion; here we will take the
 4 Not just in build-ings, dim and con-fin-ing; not in some heav-en,



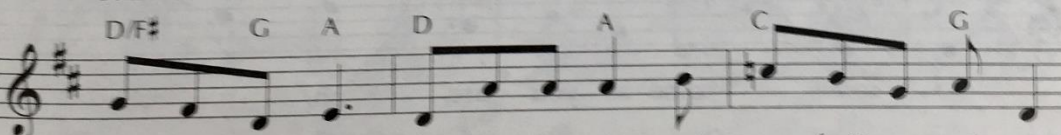
van-ished a-way. See in this space our fears and our dream-ings,
 yearn for your face. We have been sung through-out all of his-t'ry,
 bread of new birth. Here we be-come the peo-ple you fash-ion:
 light-years a-way: here in this place, the new light is shin-ing;



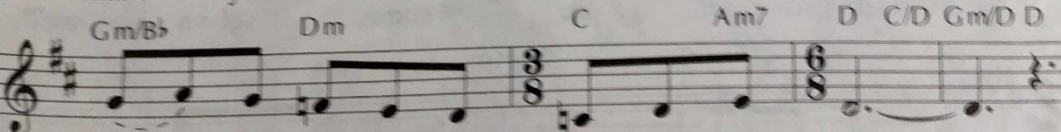
brought here to you in the light of this day.
 called to be light to the whole hu-man race.
 chil-dren of God, to be salt for the earth.
 now is the dawn-ing and now is the day.



Gath-er us in, the lost and for-sak-en; gath-er us in, our
 Gath-er us in, the rich and the haugh-ty; gath-er us in, the
 Give us to drink the wine ev-er flow-ing, give us to eat the
 Gath-er us in and hold us for-ev-er; gath-er us in and



spir-its in-flame. Call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en;
 proud and the strong. Give us a heart so meek and so low-ly;
 bread that is you. Nour-ish us well, and guide us in grow-ing
 make us your own. Gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,



we shall a-rise at the sound of our name.
 give us the cour-age to en-ter the song.
 lives that are ho-ly and hearts that are true.
 fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

Text: Marty Haugen (USA), 1981, *Gather*, 1988, alt.
 Music: Marty Haugen, 1981, *Gather*, 1988
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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.

Hymn: VT #625 "Far Above the Noise of Life"

The image shows two pages of a hymn book. The left page is titled "625 Far Above the Noise of Life" and includes the text: "1 Far a - bove the noise of life, there's a voice that is gen - tly un - der - (2 Gen - tle) voice, so meek and mild; gen - tle words of call - ing. 'Leave be - hind your cares and strife. Come to me. I will give you stand - ing. 'You are my be - lov - ed child. Come to me. I will give you rest. Bring your fear and bring your pain. Bring your grief and bring your cares. Bring your an - ger and bring your wor - ry.'" and "Do you hear the voice of heart - aches and bring your sor - row." "Do you hear the voice of". The right page continues the text: "Je - sus, gen - tly call - ing, 'Come un - to me?' 2 Gen - tle Je - sus, gen - tly call - ing, 'Come un - to me?' Gen - tle voice, so full of love. Gen - tle words so rich in mer - cy. 'You are my be - lov - ed child. Come to me. I will give you rest.'" The score includes musical notation for voice and piano, with various chords and a key signature of one flat.

Sharing Joys and Concerns/Prayer of the Church

- rain
- Dan Richert's move to Regina for work and study at U of R
- Ben's continuing recovery
- COVID infections in our surrounding communities

Offering Prayer

Offertory

Scripture Reading: John 15:9-17

As my Abba has loved me, so have I loved you. Live on in my love. And you will live on in my love if you keep my commandments, just as I live on in Abba God's love and have kept God's commandments. I tell you all this that my joy may be yours, and your joy may be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I have loved you. There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends. And you are my friends, if you do what I command you. I no longer speak of you as subordinates, because a subordinate doesn't know a superior's business. Instead I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learned

from Abba God. It was not you who chose me; it was I who chose you to go forth and bear fruit. Your fruit must endure, so that whatever you ask of Abba God in my name God will give you. This command I give you: that you love one another.

Hymn: VT #175 "Planets Humming as They Wander"

TELLING GOD'S STORY: Creation

planets Humming as They Wander 175

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The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody consists of quarter and eighth notes. Chords are indicated above the staff. The lyrics are arranged in three lines per musical phrase.

Chords: D, G2, Asus, Bm7, G, D, G, Asus, D, Bm7, Em7, A2, F#m7, G, D, G, Asus, D, Bm, Em7, A7, Dmaj7, G, Em, C#m7b5, F#, Bm, Em7, A7, Dmaj7, G, D, G, A7, Dsus, D

Lyrics:

1 Plan - ets hum - ming as they wan - der, stars a - flame with
 2 At - oms quiv - ring deep in - side us, cells a - buzz with
 3 Hu - man voic - es praise our Mak - er, part of the cre -

si - lent song: gal - ax - ies that spin on, end - less; me - lo -
 en - er - gy. Par - ti - cles are chant - ing psalms in ti - ny,
 at - ed choir: rum - bling tones of space be - low us, neu - tron's

dies a - far but strong. God's cre - a - tion tunes its car - ol,
 ho - ly syn - er - gy. All these mol - e - cules pro - vide us
 des - cant ev - er higher. Hymns a - rise from all a - round us,

far be - yond our mor - tal gaze. Heav'n - ly bod - ies
 pat - terns of the craft of God, of - f'ring up me -
 thank - ful praise our whole life long, to the One who

help us lis - ten to the bound - less song of praise.
 lo - dic first - fruit, grate - ful hymns which leave us awed.
 made us, knows us, Au - thor of the end - less song!

Gospel Reading: Acts 10:44-48

Peter had not finished speaking these words when the Holy Spirit descended upon all who were listening to the message. The Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were surprised that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also, whom they could hear speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Then Peter asked, "What can stop these people who have received the Holy Spirit, even as we have, from being baptized with water?" So he gave orders that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. After this was done, they asked him to stay on with them for a few days.

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!

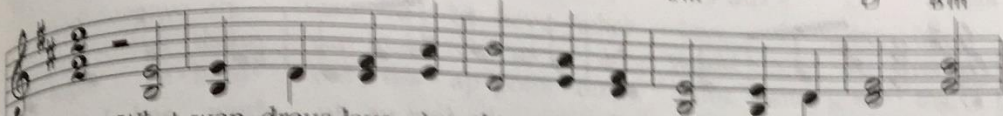
Sermon: "The Difference Easter Makes"

Sending Hymn: VT #564 "What Wondrous Love Is This"

What Wondrous Love Is This 564

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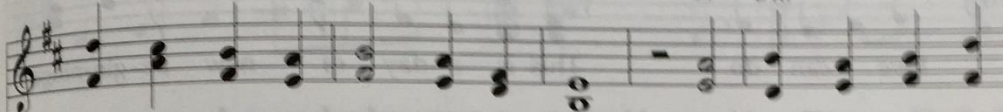
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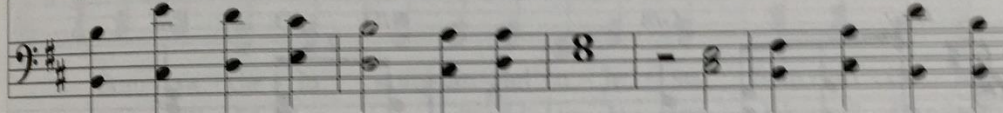
1 What won-drous love is this, O my soul, O my soul? What
2 When I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, sink-ing down, when
3 To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing, to
4 And when from death I'm free I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and



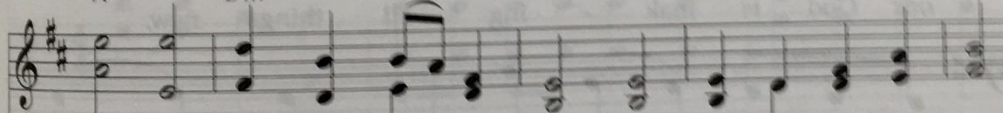
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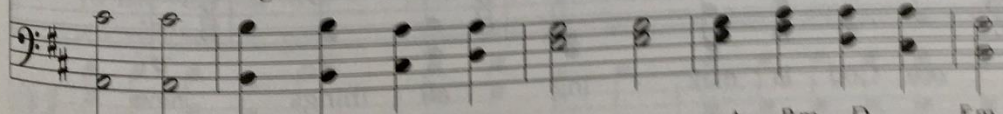
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I was sink-ing down, sink-ing down, when I was sink-ing
God and to the Lamb I will sing, to God and to the
when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, and when from death I'm



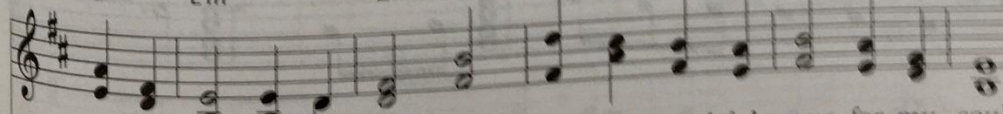
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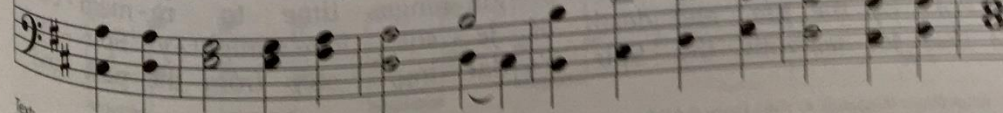
this that caused the Lord of bliss to bear the dread-ful curse
down be - neath God's right-eous frown, Christ laid a - side his crown
Lamb who is the great I Am, while mil-lions join the theme,
free, I'll sing and joy - ful be, and through e - ter - ni - ty



D Em D Bm A Bm D Em



for my soul, for my soul, to bear the dread-ful curse for my soul?
for my soul, for my soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul,
I will sing, I will sing, while mil-lions join the theme, I will sing.
I'll sing on, I'll sing on, and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.



Benediction

TODAY'S WORSHIP TEAM

Speaker: Alex Tiessen Worship Leader: George J
Song Leaders: Kathryn J, Lynette J Accompanist: Lynette J
Children's Time: Lynette J Sound: James T & Kerri S Usher: Harold L

Patty's Week: Sat. May 1 off to Grasslands National Park for a month. *Nora Pederberg 306-260-6552 and George Janzen 306-280-1775 are available for emergencies.*

Nora's Week: Working Tue., Wed., Fri., Sun

NEXT SUNDAY'S WORSHIP TEAM: May 16

Speaker: Terry Stefaniuk Worship Leader: George Janzen
Song Leaders: Michelle, Dayna, Doug Accompanist: Naomi
Children's Time: Vanessa S Sound: Matthew S Usher: Harold

OMC CALENDAR

May 10 7:00 pm Kid's weekly Bible School Zoom
May 10 7:00 pm Youth weekly Group/Bible School Zoom
May 11 7:00 pm Community Connection Mtg Zoom
May 16 10:00 am Terry Stefaniuk speaking (also on Facebook)
May 17 7:00 pm Kid's weekly Bible School Zoom
May 17 7:00 pm Youth weekly Group/Bible School Zoom
May 19 7:00 pm Worship Committee Mtg Zoom
May 23 10:00 am George Janzen speaking (also on Facebook)
May 24 7:00 pm Education Committee Mtg Zoom
May 26 6:00 Exec Committee Mtg Zoom
7:00 Council Mtg Zoom

Announcements

***The Refugee Committee** thanks the OMC young men who moved Lina's furniture from the donor's home to church storage. We look forward to continued help from the "lift and haul crew" when the final BIG move comes... hopefully soon.

***STARTING MAY 3rd* Youth Monday's 7:00 pm**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85483057288>

Rejoice! For those with paid subscriptions – it's in your Mailbox in church. Please inform the office if you need it mailed to you. Please also note the dates on the cover are wrong but the interior pages are dated correctly.

***Recurring After Church Coffee Zoom** – (right after the morning service) hosted by Julie

Those in the sanctuary are welcome to hang out in the gym at distanced tables and chairs for visiting.

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89786948615>

Meeting ID: 897 8694 8615

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kdL8s3Bx34>

Hymnals for High School Graduates: The Education Committee is asking congregation members to email Pastor Nora at oslermcpastor2@gmail.com with notes of encouragement and/or a hymn that is meaningful to them from the Blue Hymnal Worship Book for our high school graduates Micah Guenther and Ben Doell.

Pastor Nora will gather all submissions and write them in the hymnals that will then be gifted to Micah and Ben! Please send in your submissions by May 24rd.

Need entertainment this week? Watch the Bison Watering Hole Live Cam at Grasslands National Park at explore.org see what Pastor Patty is looking at the next 2 weeks!

***Meno Games Night – May 19 and June 16, on Gather.** Join us for some online games and fun on Gather. No registration required. Just fun, friends, and fellowship! Gather link: <https://gather.town/i/FZRKmjWa>. Contact Kirsten Hamm-Epp (youthminister@mcsask.ca) for more information.

***RJC Virtual Info Night:** Prospective students and their families are invited to a virtual information evening on **May 17, 2021 at 7:00 pm (SK CST)**, featuring a Q & A with staff and students. Register by email to admissions@rjc.sk.ca.

15th Annual RJC Golf Classic: Join us on **May 29, 2021** at Valley Regional Park Golf Course, Rosthern for our annual golf classic fundraiser! Registration deadline is **May 22, 2021**. More info and registration information can be found at rjc.sk.ca/golf.

MC Sask Updates

MC Sask is pleased to be able to offer students enrolled in the eligible schools or service programs scholarships. Check it out at <https://mcsask.ca/youth-ministry>

The newest MC Sask Worship Service "*Abide in the Vine*" is now available at www.mcsask.ca-Celebrating and Mourning the Closure of 3 MC Sask churches 30-minute recording on www.mcsk.ca.

***CMU – May 11, 2021** deadline to apply for online Summer Peacebuilding Institute (SPI) courses. Courses begin the week of May 17 and run through June 18. All courses for professional development or academic credit unless otherwise noted. Check out their website for details. SPI@emu.edu

***MCC Connects:** Within our communities and families we have seen how division and polarization can cause injustice, broken relationships and violence. This practical online class will provide peace skills to a cohort of amazing individuals with the goal of equipping participants for the courageous act of conflict transformation. This course is appropriate for anyone who would like to practice peace skills to make a difference in their families and communities. All sessions will be held via zoom. Register at <https://www.cognitofirms.com/MennoniteCentralCommittee2/ConflictTransformationPracticalSkillsToBePeopleOfPeace> or email heatherpeters@mccsk.ca with any questions.

The Relief Sale and Auction is back 📖

The theme for this year's fundraising events is MCC 101: Back to Basics!

In order to accommodate the provincial COVID-19 guidelines, there will be multiple events to help raise funds towards various local and international programs.

Save the dates! Events from May 29th to June 12th will include Plant Sale by Silent Online Auction and Drive Through Lunch – for a Virtual *Salebration* Evening.

***From Canadian Foodgrains Bank:** As you may have increasingly seen in the news recently, a second wave of COVID-19 is devastating the country of India. It is currently estimated that **one** person is dying every 5 minutes from the virus, while more than 350,000 people are being infected daily. It is a medical crisis sweeping the nation with tragedy, and as in any crisis, it is the vulnerable who suffer the most. In partnership with the [Humanitarian Coalition](http://www.humanitariancoalition.org), Foodgrains Bank members, along with their local partners, have determined that an emergency response – including food assistance - is now required. Partner staff are already in India providing support to people in their communities to help them get through this difficult time. Now we need your help to provide emergency food assistance to some of the most vulnerable people living through the COVID crisis in India.

“You’re off to great places, today is your day. Your mountain is waiting, so get on your way.” *Dr. Seuss*
“Keep your face to the sunshine and you cannot see a shadow.” *Helen Keller*

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