

**OMC Calendar
November 2018**

Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Each Sunday Worship: 10:00 am. Sunday School: 11:15 am				1 Blanket making 9:00 am. Council meeting 7:00 pm	2 Blanket making 9:00 am.	3
4 MCC workers speaking	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Peace Readings & Songs	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 Patty Friesen Preaching. Pizza & Games Night 5:30 pm	19	20	21	22	23 Deacons meeting 12:45 pm	24
25 Memorial Sunday. Patty Friesen preaching	26	27	28 Hanging of the Greens 6:30 pm	29	30	

Note: Meetings and church activities can also be found on the Events Calendar on the church website. www.omchurch.org

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A WELCOMING CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY FOR PEACE



UPCOMING SERVICES

- Nov 4** Sahar Vardi & Tarek Al-Zoughbi, MCC
- Nov 11** Peace Readings & Songs
- Nov 18** “Remembering Hopefully” -Patty Friesen
- Nov 25** Memorial Sunday & Candle Lighting for loved ones.

“THE LORD GIVES STRENGTH TO HIS PEOPLE;
 THE LORD BLESSES HIS PEOPLE WITH PEACE.”

PSALM 29:11

Pastor Patty's Ponderings

November is the month for remembering. In the liturgical churches, Sunday, November 4 is All Saints Day for remembering those who have gone before us in the faith. November 11, of course is Remembrance Day for remembering all those who have died in war, including Lena Al-Nouris' husband in Syria. We hope to jointly sponsor Lena and her 5 children to be unified with her parents and siblings in Saskatoon. Sunday, November 25 is our service of remembering our loved ones who have died this past year. We will light candles and say their names and hear the Mennonite Wailin' Jenny's sing the moving Old Churchyard which they sang at OMC 90.

OMC 90 itself was a wonderful occasion for remembering not only our past but celebrating our present gifts of music and art and hope for the future in our children and youth. We needed this celebration after this difficult year of health concerns and farming in our congregation. May God continue to guide us as we move forward into our 10th decade as we sponsor refugees, make art and music and food, worship, study and serve together.

Pastor Patty's Picks

The Best Cook in the World by Ricky Bragg on Audio Book CD read by the author in his southern accent was a delight that got me to and from Edmonton several times moving Mom.

I'm hooked on the U.S. TV series Suits and the British series The Coroner. They will help me get through the winter.

**PRAYER ISN'T TO REMIND GOD WHAT YOUR PROBLEMS ARE;
BUT PRAYER IS TO REMIND YOUR PROBLEMS WHO GOD IS.**

-ANONYMOUS

Terri Lynn's Takes:

OMC YOUTH CALENDAR:

-Friday, Nov 2 – Halloween Mega Menno, with special MCC guests – at Mount Royal Mennonite Church. 6:30- 8:30pm. Come and join us for an evening of fun and games, and leftover Halloween candy! We are also excited to have two guests from MCC joining us; Sahar Vardi and Tarek Al-Zoughbi, young adults who are part of MCC's Cry for Home program, working to help all those in Israel-Palestine find a home. Costumes are optional, friends are more than welcome, no cost, open to youth in grades 6-12.

-Saturday Nov 17 - Monthly Youth at OMC. 6:30-8:30pm

-Saturday Dec 1 - Mega Menno @ OMC!

*Young Adults. It's never too early to plan for your further education in September of 2019. Do you know that both Columbia Bible College in Abbotsford and Canadian Mennonite University in Winnipeg offer full tuition assistance? Check out the **Sheep & Goats MDS Service Scholarship/Bursary** at each of the schools' Financial Aid page.

Our Statement of Purpose

The purpose of Osler Mennonite Church is to be a supportive community in which people can meet God through worship and fellowship.

We seek to teach

an Anabaptist understanding of scripture, led by the Spirit to imitate Christ in word and deed.

We strive to nurture faith and discipleship, committing ourselves individually and corporately to respond to the needs of others.

OMC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

***There are six “care boxes” in the foyer for our post-secondary students.** Please bring goodies like chocolate, notes, jokes, treats, poems, etc. Two boxes will going to Winnipeg on Nov 13 and the rest will be distributed on Nov 19.

***Remembrance Day Service at Bethany Manor, November 11, 2:30 pm.** You are invited to hear Stephanie Siemens recite Scripture, to hear Ben Buhler play/sing songs, to hear a story told by David Neufeld, to hear readings of people who got caught in the midst of violence. Come to the Fellowship Hall to remember all who died in many wars and conflicts, so that the message of Jesus Christ will bring us closer to inward and international peace. Sponsored by the Mennonite Historical Society, Saskatchewan.

***Ladies & Girls Christmas Luncheon** will be held here on Saturday, **December 2, 11:30 am -1:30 pm.** Please sign up if you will be coming. A delicious turkey meal with all the trimmings will be served.

***RJC Kielke & Sausage Supper Fundraiser: Wednesday, Nov 14 at Bethany Manor.** There will be two seatings for supper: 4:30 pm and 6:30 pm. Admission is by donation and the RJC Chorale will be performing at both seatings. Everyone is welcome. Please see poster for more details.

***Family Games Night with Pizza & Pop: Sunday, November 18, 5:30 pm.** Pizza and pop provided. Please bring your favourite table games and, if possible, a dessert to share. Everyone welcome!



Old Churchyard

by the Wailin' Jenny's from Fifteen album
Sung by Christy Martens-Funk, Kathryn Janzen, Michelle McKinnell
OMC 90

Come, come with me to the old churchyard
I so well know these paths 'neath the soft green sward
Friends slumber in there that we want to regard
We will trace out their names in the old churchyard

Mourn not for them for their trials are o'er
Why weep for those who will weep no more?
For sweet is their sleep, though cold and hard
Their pillows may be in the old churchyard

I know it's vain when friends depart
To breathe kind words to a broken heart
And I know that the joy of life is marred
When we follow lost friends to the old churchyard

But were I at rest 'neath yonder tree
Why would you weep, my friends, for me?
I'm so weary, so wayworn, why would you retard
The peace that I seek in the old churchyard?

Why weep for me, for I'm anxious to go
To that haven of rest where no tears e'er flow?
And I fear not my fate when it's time to depart
I will sail with the sun in the old churchyard

I rest in the hope that one bright day
Sunshine will burst through these prisons of clay
And the trumpets will sound on the hills near and far
Will wake up the dead in the old churchyard

LECTIONARY PASSAGES FOR NOVEMBER

November 4, 2018 - Keep these words

Deuteronomy 6:1-9

Psalms 119:1-8

Hebrews 9:11-14 Mark 12:28-34

or

All Saints (additional scriptures)

Isaiah 25:6-9

Psalms 24 Revelation 21:1-6a John 11:32-44

November 11, 2018 - The LORD remains faithful forever

1 Kings 17:8-16

Psalms 146

Hebrews 9:24-28

Mark 12:38-44

November 18, 2018 - Bless the LORD

Daniel 12:1-3

Psalms 16

Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25 Mark 13:1-8

November 25, 2018 - You say that I am a king

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Psalms 93

Revelation 1:4b-8

John 18:33-37

✿ Pieces of Peace ✿

**“Jesus help us live in peace, from our blindness set us free.
Fill us with Your healing love. Help us live in unity.”
- from Sing & Rejoice Songbook # 129**

HUMOR

A mother and father were chatting with their eight-year-old son about his future. The youngster said he'd like to attend CMU, as his parents and other members of the family had.

Please with his response, they pressed on. “What would you like to take when you attend college?” they asked the little boy.

After giving it some thought and glancing around the kitchen, he replied, “The refrigerator, if you can get along without it.”

Like all growing boys, my teenage grandson was constantly hungry. I went to the refrigerator to find something that he might like. After poking around a bit and moving the milk and juice cartons, I spotted a bowl of leftover chili.

I called out to him excitedly. He came running into the kitchen.

“Look! I found some chili.”

Struggling to be polite, he said, “If you're that surprised, I'm not really sure I want it.”

CAPSULE SERMONS

Nothing is ever lost by courtesy. It is the cheapest of pleasures, costs nothing, and conveys much. It pleases him that gives and receives and thus, like mercy, is twice blessed. —Erastus Wiman (1834-1904)

Education is learning what you didn't even know you didn't know.

Good examples have twice the value of good advice.

A cloudy day is not a match for a sunny disposition.