MCC Connects - Refugees from Colombia, Iraq and Myanmar need our help immediately. MCCS invites church groups willing to sponsor refugees for one year after arriving in Canada to call Elaine Harder at 665-2555

*Upcoming Events: See bulletin board for more details on:

-MCSask Education workshop, May 25-28 - deadline to register is April 7.

-Touring Mission Fest on May 1 – deadline to register is April 9.

- Dessert Night – evening of recognizing Esther Patkau and Henry Hamm, Wednesday, April 14, 7:00 pm. at the Riverside Country Club.

-Re:connections – a drama and discussion sponsored by MCC and Bethany College, April 27 - May 3.

-For more on **RJC**, see the latest RJC newsletter.

Worship Leader:Adeline CoxSong Leader:Kevin BoldtAccompanist:Dianne CarterScripture:Stephanie SiemensSound:Abe BraunUshers:Lloyd Sawatzky, Dick BraunThis Sunday nursery care: Leslie AllabyNext Sunday nursery care: Sarah Guenther

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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH



Osler, Saskatchewan A Welcoming Christian Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service March 28, 2010 Lent 6 HOLDING ON, LETTING GO

Focus Statement: We're invited to accept Jesus as our pattern even in the way of the cross, to follow the one who emptied himself and became obedient. Are we willing to stand with Jesus, to become an empty vessel?

Prelude Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship:

O Christ, the time for praise has arrived! Come among us and we will run to meet you with shouts of "Hosanna! We greet you as our Messiah -- not just because of the great things you have done, but for who you are -- the gentle but mighty King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Chiming to worship and silent preparation

GATHERING

Hymn HWB # 238"Hosanna, loud hosanna"Palm branch processional

Invocation and Prayer of the church: SS # 142

Theme song SS # 63 "God, fill me now"

HOLDING ON Confession of faith: HWB # 716

Hymn: HWB # 405 "Where cross the crowded ways"

HEARING GOD'S WORD Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 50:4-9a

New Testament Lesson: Luke 19:28-40

Hymn: HBW # 234

"When Jesus wept"

Sermon

Jim Dyck

LETTING GO

Confession:

Be gracious to us, God, for we are in distress; we waste away with grief. *(silence)* We trust you because you are our God. Save us in your steadfast love. Amen.

Assurance: HWB # 706

Offering and Offertory Music Offertory Prayer

"What wondrous love is this" *Hymn: HWB # 530

SENDING

*L: A king has become one of us, **P:** our teacher and brother. L: A ruler has become a servant to us, P: our example and companion. L: A leader invites us to a new way of life.

P: We will walk with him in humility.

*Please rise

We welcome all who are worshiping with us today.

To all our visitors: WELCOME. If you are a first time visitor, please fill out the card that the ushers gave you, and place it in the offering bag. We are delighted that you are worshiping with us. Nursery care is provided during the worship service for those who desire it (children over 4 years old should be accompanied by an adult).

Children's Worship Binder, an instrument to help children through the worship hour, is available in the fover.

TODAY

- Beverages and snacks available after the service.
- Sunday School begins at 11:15 a.m. for all ages.
- Floor hockey at 7:00 pm for children, 7:30 pm for youth and adults. Children will not be allowed to play freely in the church after 7:30 pm without supervision.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY WEEK:

- April 1 Maunday Thursday Potluck supper at 7:00 pm with communion to follow.
- April 2 Good Friday service at 7:30 pm. Prepare for this service by reading the passion stories in your Bible.
- April 4 Easter Resurrection service: Bring a bell to ring. We will ring the bells every time we sing "Alleluia or Hallelujah."

- Easter Sunday Potluck Brunch and a special Easter egg hunt for the children. Please bring Easter bread, fruit, cheese, or eggs. There will be no S.S. classes this day.

*Please order your Easter Lilies this week. Sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board. They will be available for pick up Easter Sunday.

*All Worship Peoples' lunch meeting on Sunday, April 11.

*Please have all submissions for next Sunday's bulletin in by THURSDAY, April 1, 10:00 A.M. due to the Good Friday holiday. ***From the pastor:** "Due to unforeseen circumstances, there will not be an April Newsletter--sorry. The May newsletter "may" be early, so please get submissions in as soon as possible. Thanks".

*Men's Breakfast on Saturday, April 17 at 9:30 am.

*Buncha Guys Spring Concert on Saturday, April 17, 7:30 pm at the Wildwood Mennonite Church. Admission \$5 at the door. See poster on the bulletin board.

***CMU/RJC choir banquet fundraiser** here on Wednesday, April 28. Banquet at 6:00 pm. Call RJC for banquet reservations. Program at 7:30 pm.

*SCHOLARSHIPS are available for students planning to attend RJC, CMU, CBC, AMBS or Conrad Grebel this fall. See the bulletin board for application forms or call MC Sask office at 249-4844 for more info. Deadline for applications is July 31, 2010.

*RJC is now accepting applications for the 2010-2011 school year. If you send in your application by March 15 you pay the 2009-2010 fees. Please be aware that we have bursary money available to assist families in sending students to RJC. If you are interested in RJC, call or email Dave at 306.232.4222 or <u>dave@rjc.sk.ca</u>, or go to our website, <u>www.rjc.sk.ca</u> to download application and bursary forms. Apply now for a great high school experience!

*Food Grains Bank Auction Sale will again be at the Walter Wiebe farm on Saturday, June 26.

***MDS Summer Youth Program**. There are still openings for small groups (10 or less) for several weeks in July & August. MDS youth will build a "house" for Rock Solid Refuge near Swift Current SK that will house boys ages 13-17 who struggle with addictions. Contact Evelyn at 1-866-261-1274 for more information and scheduling.

Isaiah 50:4 - 9 (NRSV)⁴ The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. ⁶ I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. ⁷ The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸ he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. ⁹ It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Luke 19:28 - 40 (NRSV) ²⁸After he had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹When he had come near Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, ³⁰saying, "Go into the village ahead of you, and as you enter it you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it."" ³²So those who were sent departed and found it as he had told them. ³³As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?" ³⁴They said, "The Lord needs it." ³⁵Then they brought it to Jesus; and after throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. ³⁶As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. ³⁷As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, ³⁸saying, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in the highest heaven!" ³⁹Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, order your disciples to stop." ⁴⁰He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the stones would shout out "