

\***MC Sask** is encouraging its members to prepare for the 2013 TRC (Truth & Reconciliation Commission). Everyone is invited to hear **Richard Twiss on Friday, April 15, 6:00 p.m.** at the Indian and Metis Friendship Centre (168 Wall Street) in Saskatoon. Free Admission. Richard Twiss is a Native American evangelical Christian theologian.

\***Mennonite Church Canada Prayer Request** that Karen and Andrew Suderman, MCC workers in South Africa, will experience God's guidance as they lay groundwork to formalize the Anabaptist Network in South Africa (ANiSA), and for attentive ears to listen and learn from those whom they meet.

\***MCC Connects** - George & Pearl Richert, Swift Current, returned to Ukraine as short term Country Representatives. Christian Medical Association, with MCC's help, sends travelling medical teams to communities around Zaporozhye to treat patients unable to pay for medical care. \$60 provides medications for 5 people. Pray for Richerts and MCC's partners. Donate now at [sk.mcc.org](http://sk.mcc.org).

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Worship Leader: Sarah Buhler  
Song Leader: Kevin Boldt  
Accompanist: Melanie Boldt  
Scripture: Karl Martens  
Sound: Chris Buhler  
Ushers: Cornie Guenther, Sarah Hiebert  
This Sunday nursery care: Leslie Allaby  
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## OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan

**A Welcoming Christian  
Community for Peace**

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
April 10, 2011

***Lent Five: Called to Life  
The colour is Purple***

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Chiming to Worship

Silent Reflection

Introit:

Kathryn, Jake, Michelle and Doug

Ubi caritas: "Where charity and love are found, God is there"

### GATHERING

#### **Call to Worship**

Leader: Out of the depths we cry to you.

**People: O Lord, hear our cry.**

Leader: If you kept a record of sins, who would stand a chance?

**People: O Lord, hear our cry.**

Leader: But with you there is forgiveness.

**All: We wait for you, O Lord. We hope in your word. Blessed be your name.**

Invocation

\***Hymn: HWB #16**

**"God is here among us"**

**Confession:**

**Lord, our lives are dry bones.**

**We are cruel in our words and indifferent in our actions.**

**We confess to the Lord ...**

**Hymn: HWB #26**

**"Holy Spirit, come with power"**

## Time of Sharing

Silent Prayer and Prayer of the church

Breathe on us, Lord.

Put your Spirit within us and make us alive.

*We place our hope in you. Amen.*

## PRAISING AND HEARING

Drama

Children's Time

Lacey Braun

**Hymn: HWB #46**

**"I sing the might power of God"**

Old Testament Lessons: Psalm 130

New Testament Lessons: John 11:32-45

Offering and Offertory Music

Prayer of Thanks

**Hymn: HWB #299**

**"New earth, heavens new"**

Sermon: "The Extraordinary Ordinary" Gordon Allaby

## RESPONDING

**\*Hymn: HWB #420**

**"Heart with loving heart united"**

**\*Benediction:**

Leader: Put your hope in the Lord.

**People: The Lord is unfailing love,**

Leader: And with him is full redemption.

**People: He will bring us up from our graves.**

**All: God will redeem us from all our sins.**

**\*Please rise**

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**We welcome all who are worshipping with us today.**

To all our visitors: WELCOME. We are delighted that you are worshipping 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 foyer.

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## TODAY

- **Beverages and snacks** available after the service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15 a.m.
- **Soup & Pie Youth Fundraiser Lunch** at noon today, following Sunday School. Everyone welcome!
- **Floor hockey:** 7:00-7:30 pm – younger children  
7:30-8:30 pm – older kids, youth and adults  
**Tonight is the last floor hockey night.**

## THIS WEEK

- **Tuesday, April 12, 7:00pm:** Worship committee meets at Christy's house
- **Thursday, April 14, 7:30pm:** Deacons Committee meeting

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Remember in your prayers:**

\* **John Friesen**, in rehab at City Hospital.

\* **Kim (and Ian) Osmond**, as Kim is undergoing treatments.

\***Easter Lilies** are pre-ordered and available to purchase for \$17.00. The lilies will decorate our sanctuary Easter Sunday, and then taken home after the Easter service. Please sign up to reserve a lily.

\***Nursery:** If you can help with nursery supervision for 4 Sundays in the year, please call Diana at 239-4706.

\***Welcome home** to Art & Edna Zacharias who returned last week from 2 months of volunteer work with a MDS project continuing to , rebuild the remains of Hurricane Katrina. **Russ Friesen** was also in the USA, working with a group of RJC students on a Katrina volunteer project with Habitat for Humanity, and he, Teresa and others returned this past week.

**\*Holy Week Activities:**

Sunday, April 17 -- Palm Sunday  
Tuesday, April 19 -- RJC/CMU dinner (6:00pm) &  
Concert (7:30pm)  
Thursday, April 21 -- Maundy Thursday potluck supper and  
communion (7pm)  
Friday, April 22 -- Good Friday service (7:30pm)  
Sunday, April 24 -- 10: 00 am Easter Resurrection Service.  
Bring a bell to ring!  
11:00 am -- Potluck Brunch (Eggs, Easter  
bread, fruit)  
11:30 am -- Easter egg hunt for the children.  
12:00 am -- Fly a kite (Bring a kite if  
conditions are good for flying).

**\*Mennonite Church Canada Assembly 2011: “It’s Epic:  
Remembering God’s Future”**, in Waterloo, Ontario, this summer  
(July 4-8), will include many friends, a special Sarah Harmer concert,  
awesome worship music and inspiration overflowing. Everything  
you want to know about this event, including online registration, can  
be found at [www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1500](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1500) or by calling 1-866-  
888-6785.

\*Please check the kitchen for “left behind” dishes and containers, and  
take them home. Thank you.

**TODAY’S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:**

**Psalms 130:1 - 8 (NRSV)** <sup>1</sup> Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD.  
<sup>2</sup> Lord, hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my  
supplications! <sup>3</sup> If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, Lord, who  
could stand? <sup>4</sup> But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be  
revered. <sup>5</sup> I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in the Lord’s word  
I hope; <sup>6</sup> my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for  
the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. <sup>7</sup> O Israel,  
hope in the LORD! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, and  
with the Lord is great power to redeem. <sup>8</sup> It is the LORD who will  
redeem Israel from all its iniquities.

**John 11:1 - 45 (NRSV)** <sup>1</sup> Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of  
Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. <sup>2</sup> Mary was the  
one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her  
hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. <sup>3</sup> So the sisters sent a message to  
Jesus, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” <sup>4</sup> But when Jesus heard it, he  
said, “This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God’s glory,  
so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.” <sup>5</sup> Accordingly,  
though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, <sup>6</sup> after having  
heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place  
where he was. <sup>7</sup> Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to  
Judea again.” <sup>8</sup> The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just  
now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?” <sup>9</sup> Jesus  
answered, “Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk  
during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this  
world. <sup>10</sup> But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is  
not in them.” <sup>11</sup> After saying this, he told them, “Our friend Lazarus  
has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.” <sup>12</sup> The  
disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all  
right.” <sup>13</sup> Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they  
thought that he was referring merely to sleep. <sup>14</sup> Then Jesus told them  
plainly, “Lazarus is dead. <sup>15</sup> For your sake I am glad I was not there,  
so that you may believe. But let us go to him.” <sup>16</sup> Thomas, who was  
called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we  
may die with him.” <sup>17</sup> When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had  
already been in the tomb four days. <sup>18</sup> Now Bethany was near  
Jerusalem, some two miles away, <sup>19</sup> and many of the Jews had come  
to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. <sup>20</sup> When  
Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while  
Mary stayed at home. <sup>21</sup> Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been  
here, my brother would not have died. <sup>22</sup> But even now I know that  
God will give you whatever you ask of him.” <sup>23</sup> Jesus said to  
her, “Your brother will rise again.” <sup>24</sup> Martha said to him, “I know  
that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” <sup>25</sup> Jesus  
said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in  
me, even though they die, will live, <sup>26</sup> and everyone who lives and  
believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” <sup>27</sup> She said to  
him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God,  
the one coming into the world.” <sup>28</sup> When she had said this, she went  
back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher

is here and is calling for you.”<sup>29</sup> And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him.<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him.<sup>31</sup> The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there.<sup>32</sup> When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”<sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved.<sup>34</sup> He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.”<sup>35</sup> Jesus began to weep.<sup>36</sup> So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!”<sup>37</sup> But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”<sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it.<sup>39</sup> Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.”<sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?”<sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me.<sup>42</sup> I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.”<sup>43</sup> When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!”<sup>44</sup> The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”<sup>45</sup> Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

**\*RJC Chorale and CMU Singers** fundraising Banquet and Concert will be held April 19th at Osler Mennonite Church. Join us for the banquet at 6:00 pm and/or the concert to follow at 7:30 pm. Reservations are needed for the banquet, but not the concert. **Call RJC by April 8th** to reserve banquet tickets (306 232-4222 or [office@rjc.sk.ca](mailto:office@rjc.sk.ca)). Please join us for an inspiring evening of music! An offering in support of both schools will be taken at the concert.

**\*A Buncha Guys Spring Concert** with special guest Jerry Buhler Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 at Mayfair United Church, Saskatoon. An offering will be taken to support The Micah Mission. Tickets (\$5.00) are available at McNally Robinson in Saskatoon, from Russ Regier (249-3650), any of the guys or at the door.

**\*Church and Politics:** It is good that a member of our church is a candidate for Parliament. We affirm all members’ and staff’s participation in the political process as individuals. A church can encourage all attendees to engage in the political debate and to vote; however, a church cannot support a particular candidate, name a party to support or advocate one party’s platform. Church can and should talk about issues that relate to the church’s theology and/or passions. For more information, see the bulletin board about church and politics guidelines. Let us pray for all the candidates.

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**\*April 17** – Plan to attend CMU convocation services honouring the 2010-2011 class. **Baccalaureate Services** at Loewen Athletic Centre (500 Shaftesbury Blvd.), 10:00 am and **Graduation Exercises** at Immanuel Pentecostal Church, (955 Wilkes Ave.), 2:00 pm. All are welcome.

**\*CMU: April 17** – Celebrate Outtatown 2010-2011 graduates by attending the **Outtatown Dessert Reception for Students, Family & Friends**, 2:15pm, followed by **Outtatown Graduation Ceremony**, 3:30 pm-5:00 pm. Loewen Athletic Centre (500 Shaftesbury Blvd.). All are welcome.