

***MCC Connects** – School kits are MCC's most requested item. Notebooks and pencils become treasures to families who struggle to afford basic school supplies. School kits given to refugee and displaced children help students and teachers add some normalcy to disrupted lives. Can you help provide school kits for places including Iraq, Nicaragua and North Korea? Visit sk.mcc.org/material resources for more information.

Canadian Mennonite University www.cmu.ca

*Wondering what to do this fall? **CMU's Outtatown** discipleship program has just a few spots remaining for male students (ages 17-22) for the upcoming school year. Call (204) 487-3300 or visit www.Outtatown.com for more information!

*Visit <http://www.cmu.ca/employment.html> to view four CMU employment opportunities.

***Ride for Refuge Canada:** Cycle 10km to 50 km and raise funds for the MCCS Refugee Assistance Fund. MCSask's goal for 2011 is to raise \$10,000. Join their team "Pedal for Peace" or create your own team. Visit: sk.mcc.org. (See the Poster on the bulletin board)

Worship Leader: Dave Feick
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OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan

**A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace**

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
August 28, 2011

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Call to Worship: SJ#120

Invocation

L: Eternal God, we come, young and old, from different places and diverse backgrounds to offer this time of worship to you. Help us to so focus our thoughts on you that we experience afresh your grace, mercy and love as fresh gifts in our lives. We praise you for blessing us in this way and for revealing your love in Jesus Christ. With his endless love flowing through us and the Holy Spirit guiding us, may our love for you and all you created never cease.

P: God, source of loving-kindness and strength, we worship you.

L: Jesus, foundation of our faith, we worship you.

P: Holy Spirit, ground of our very being, we worship you. Amen

*Hymns: HWB #64

“Asithi: Amen (Sing Amen)”

HWB #69

“The Lord is king”

Sharing of joys and concerns

Discipline of Silence and Prayer of the church

PRAISING AND HEARING

Children's Time

Kathryn Janzen

Hymn: SJ #93

“Wehrlos und verlassen sehnt sich”

Offering and Offertory Music

Offertory prayer

Old Testament Lessons: Jeremiah 29:7-14a

New Testament Lessons: John 14:1-4.

Hymn: SJ #97

“The Lord is my light”

Message: “Jesus today” Gordon Allaby

RESPONDING

Hymn: “Will the circle be unbroken”

*Benediction

***Please rise**

We welcome all who are worshipping with us today.

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

There will be no Nursery Supervision this Sunday.

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

NEXT WEEK

- **Tuesday, September 6, 7:30pm** – Church Council meeting has been changed to next week, September 6th.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Copies of the latest **“Rejoice”** devotional guide (for September-November 2011) are now in the foyer, available to take home.

* **Remember all those with health concerns**, including: Irvin Driedger, John Friesen, Kim Osmond, Jacob L. Guenther, Mark Bigland-Pritchard’s mother and Deanna Reddekopp.

***Summer church yard maintenance:** Dave Feick and Russ Friesen are scheduled to look after church yard maintenance this coming week. Thank you!

***Baby Shower for Gina & Jefferson’s baby girl** on Sunday, September 11 at 2:30pm at First Mennonite Church. This is a joint shower with our 3 sponsoring churches. Each person attending is asked to bring either sweets or sandwiches. There will be a container for money gifts, but other gifts are also welcome.

***SMYO Jr. High Youth Retreat: September 16-18:** at the Youth Bible Farm Camp in Rosthern, Registration deadline is September 10, 2011. Junior Youth: please talk to Leslie Allaby now for registration and more information.

***There is still time to register for the 2011-2012 school year at Rosthern Junior College!** Please contact Valerie White in Admissions (306 232-4222 or val@rjc.sk.ca) if you would like more information. Registration is Saturday, August 27 (9:00 am - 12 noon) and Sunday, August 28 (1:00 - 6:00 pm), with students moving into the dorms on Sunday afternoon. Classes begin Monday, August 29. *Consider RJC, where Life Meets Learning!*

***RJC Opening Service** will be held on Sunday, September 11th at 2:30 pm in the gym. We would be delighted to have you join us as we gather to give thanks and ask God's blessings for the new school year.

***The Corn Maze and Petting Zoo** at the Youth Farm Bible Camp is open for the season every Friday-Sunday from 1:00-8:00pm. For more information check out the website: www.youthfarmcornmaze.com

***Ten Thousand Villages** at 45 St. and Ave. C, Saskatoon is currently hiring two part-time Sales Associates. Contact Jared Brandes, store manager at Saskatoon.45th@villages.ca

***Sonrisa invites** all young women interested in singing in the choir to join us for our first gathering of the 2011/2012 season. We will kick off the year with a barbecue at the Driedger-Enns farm at Osler on Sunday, September 11th at 7:00p.m. Following rehearsals will be held on Sunday evenings at Nutana Park Mennonite Church in Saskatoon. Email Lynne at gord.lynne@sasktel.net or Nicole at Nicole.Tiessen@aodbt.com for more information or to let us know you are coming.

***Home: A Film and Art Contest. Youth and Young Adults** (ages 13-30) are invited to create a short film (4 minute maximum) or a visual art piece to explore the idea of “HOME”, using the following themes: Immigrants & refugees, Caring for our earthly home, Aboriginal land rights and issues and Improving our community. Register by Oct. 21 @ mccsfilmcontest@gmail.com. See: sk.mcc.org

***Plan to attend the Global leadership Summit, Sept. 29-30 @** Ebenezer Baptist Church in Saskatoon. Hear about the latest sociological trends in religion from Reginald Bibby, presentations by best selling author Seth Godin, Mama Maggie Gobran (Nobel Peace Prize nominee), and more. Registration fees for Mennonite Church Canada attendees are reduced by 60%! Find out more at www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1600. Deadline for registration is September. 21. See the bulletin board for a poster with more details.

***October 14 and 15: Women’s Retreat at Shekinah** “Spiritual Growth and Learning” base on The Cup of Our Life by Joyce Rupp. Speaker Rose Graber. To register call 232-4204 or 232-5050.

***The second Rural Church Ministries Conference** sponsored by CirCleM will be held November 15-17 close to Calgary, Alberta. The theme is “New Shoots from Old Roots: Celebrating vital ministry in town and country”. Eric Olfert and Naomi Unger will be presenting a workshop. See the website for more information. http://www.circle-m.ca/conferences-and-events/circle_m_conference/new_shoots.php

***Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) Update for August 25, 2011** is now posted on the bulletin board, with details on Urgent Needs, an Employment opportunity and information about ongoing MDS projects. Details on how you can provide help and support are included on the Update.

***A copy of the latest Mennonite Historical Society of Saskatchewan (MHSS) bulletin** of August 17, 2011 has been posted on the bulletin board.

***Artisan Day & Pembroke Book Launch:** Saturday, September 24, from 9:15 am. to 3:00 pm. at Bethany Manor. Admission is \$2 at the door. Come see numerous articles on display, paintings, quilts, pottery, woodwork, carvings, and other crafts, all of excellent quality. Visitors will have an opportunity to talk with the artisans. To see what kind of items you will find on display, check out the photo story report of the Artisan Day in 2009; <http://mhss.sk.ca/events/Artisan-Day-09-photostory.shtml>.

***Mennonite Church Canada link to Websites:** The Little Christian – a monthly 24 page picture book intended for children six and younger that contains prayers, songs, activities, rituals and more to help children become aware of God’s presence in and around them. www.thelittlechristian.org/littlechristian/index.cfm

TODAY’S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Jeremiah 29:7 - 14 (NRSV) ⁷But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. ⁸For thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let the prophets and the diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, ⁹for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, says the LORD. ¹⁰For thus says the LORD: Only when Babylon’s seventy years are completed will I visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place. ¹¹For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. ¹²Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. ¹³When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, ¹⁴I will let you find me, says the LORD.

John 14:1 - 4 (NRSV) ¹“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going.”