*MCC Connects – Urgent! Mennonite Central Committee is appealing for donations to support its response to the drought and food crisis in Ethiopia and Kenya where about 11 million people need humanitarian assistance. Please consider a gift to help provide supplemental food for at-risk groups, and to support food-for-work projects. To donate, visit sk.mcc.org or contact MCCS at 665-2555. We encourage you also to pray for people in the region.

*Wondering what to do this fall? Consider spending a year traveling the world, learning about God and making lifelong friendships. 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.

*CMU – See the bulletin board for more information about two job opportunities: Student Services Assistant for Menno Simons College and Admissions Counsellor for Canadian Mennonite U.

*MDS is seeking someone to fill the full time position of *Region V* Manager beginning immediately. For information and details visit http://mds.mennonite.net/about-us/employment. Applications will be considered until the position is filled.

Worship Leader: George Janzen Song Leader: Art Zacharias Accompanist: Diana Buhler Sound: Abe Braun

Susan Braun, Sarah Hiebert Ushers:

This Sunday's Nursery Care: Adeline Cox

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Osler, Saskatchewan

A Welcoming Christian Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service August 7, 2011

Prelude Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Call to Worship Invocation

*Hymns: HWB #14 HWB #332 "Come, we that love the Lord"

"Blessed assurance"

Sharing of joys and concerns Discipline of Silence and Prayer of the church

PRAISING AND HEARING

Children's Time

Edna Zacharias

Hymn: HWB #328

"O God, our help in ages past"

Offering and Offertory Music Offertory prayer

Scripture Readings: Genesis 32: 6-8, 24-27

Psalm 103:1-5, Psalm 42:1-6a

Hymn: HWB #514 "Lord, I am fondly, earnestly"

Message: "Wrestling with Memories and Fears" John H. Neufeld

RESPONDING

"Come, come ye saints" **Hymn: HWB #425**

*Please rise

We welcome all who are worshiping with us today.

To all our visitors: WELCOME. 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 foyer.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Pray for Elsie Epp and the family of Menno Epp who passed away this week. The funeral service for Menno was held yesterday at Mount Royal Mennonite Church.

Also, continue to remember those with health concerns, including: Irvin Driedger, John Friesen, Kim Osmond, Jacob L. Guenther and Deanna Reddekopp, who is in RUH since Wednesday.

*Birth Announcements: Emmett Isaac was born to Julie Bergen & Matt Braun on July 28th, weighing 10lbs.5oz. and 24 inches long. Also, Congratulations to Jefferson Bohorquez and Gina Riano on the birth of their 7 lb. daughter Sophie on Monday, August 1st.

*Check the summer yard maintenance schedule on the bulletin board for your turn to cut grass on the church yard. Ben & Diana Buhler are scheduled to look after church yard maintenance this coming week. Thank you!

*SMYO Jr. High Youth Retreat: coming this fall at the Youth Bible Farm Camp in Rosthern, September 16 – 18th. Registration deadline is September 10, 2011. Please speak to Leslie Allaby for more information.

*Calling all students going into Grade 10-12! There is room for you at Rosthern Junior College, the high school for you! Visit: www.rjc.sk.ca or call Valerie (306 232-4222) or email val@rjc.sk.ca)

*Celebrate Restraint - "Live simply that others may simply live" MC Sask, Sask MB Conference and MCC present a community event themed around simple living. Join us on Sunday, August 14th at Mount Royal Church in Saskatoon for inspirational speakers, practical workshops, food, and music by Secondhandpants! For details see the bulletin board poster or visit sk.mcc.org.

*Employment opportunity for a dean at RJC: See the bulletin board for details or visit (www.rjc.sk.ca). Please direct enquiries and resumes to: Gail Schellenberg, RJC, Box 5020, Rosthern, SK S0K 3R0 or email: administration@rjc.sk.ca, fax: 306-232-5250 or phone: 306-232-4222.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Genesis 32:6 - 8 (NRSV) ⁶The messengers returned to Jacob, saying, "We came to your brother Esau, and he is coming to meet you, and four hundred men are with him." ⁷Then Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed; and he divided the people that were with him, and the flocks and herds and camels, into two companies, ⁸thinking, "If Esau comes to the one company and destroys it, then the company that is left will escape."

Genesis 32:24 - 27 (NRSV) ²⁴Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. ²⁵When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. ²⁶Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." ²⁷So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob."

Psalm 103:1 - 5 (NRSV) ¹ Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name. ² Bless the LORD, O my soul, and do not forget all God's benefits— ³ who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, ⁴ who redeems your life from the Pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, ⁵ who satisfies you with good as long as you live so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Psalm 42:1 - 6 (NRSV) ¹ As a deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God. ² My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God? ³ My tears have been my food day and night, while people say to me continually, "Where is your God?" ⁴ These things I remember, as I pour out my soul: how I went with the throng, and led them in procession to the house of God, with glad shouts and songs of thanksgiving, a multitude keeping festival. ⁵ Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise God, my help ⁶ and my God.