\*MCC Connects – Celebrate Community and Family at the Saskatoon MCC Relief Sale on June 10 & 11. Still needed are volunteers and baked goods, including pies and platz. Please call 384-1206 or 477-3044 if you can help. Funds raised support the work of MCC around the world! For details: sk.mcc.org/mcc-relief-sale

\*Camperships are available for the MC Saskatchewan summer camps. Please contact Anna Peters or the church office to apply.

\*Business leaders, congregations, related partners, individuals: You are invited to support the Mennonite Church Canada Assembly in Waterloo, Ont. this summer by advertising your sponsorship of this national church event. Details: www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1524. Thanks for supporting your national church!

# \*ATTENTION YOUTH! Looking for summer work?

Mennonite Church Saskatchewan is looking for VBS Troupe Members to do some traveling, and implementing Vacation Bible School programs with children at four churches in Saskatchewan. Being able to work July 11th to August 12th, 2011 is preferable. Contact Ben Borne @ vbs@mcsask.ca for more information!

Worship Leader: Jim Dyck Ben Buhler Song Leader: Accompanist: Diana Buhler Scripture: Kathy Boldt Sound: Dave Klassen

Dick B, Karl M. Ushers: This Sunday nursery care: Kathy Braun Next Sunday nursery care: Lucy Friesen

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Osler, Saskatchewan A Welcoming Christian

Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service June 5, 2011

## **Ascension Sunday**

Prelude Welcome and Announcements

## GATHERING

Call to Worship Invocation:

\*Hymns: HWB #288 HWB #301

"Rejoice, the Lord is king!"

"Jovs are flowing like a river"

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

# PRAISING AND HEARING

Children's Time

**OMC** Youth

**Hymn: SJ #63** 

"Lord, you give the great "commission"

Offering and Offertory Music Prayer of Thanks

New Testament Lesson: Acts 1:6-14; I Peter 5:6-11

**Hymn: HWB #540** "Strong, righteous man of Galilee"

"Learning to throw" Gordon Allaby Sermon:

#### RESPONDING

\*Hymn: HWB#538 "Lead me, Lord"

\*Benediction

\*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.

## **TODAY**

- Beverages and snacks available after the service.
- Sunday School for all ages begins at 11:15am.

#### THIS WEEK

- Wednesday, June 8 OMC Book Club meets
- Thursday, June 9, 7:30pm Deacons Meeting
- **Next Sunday, June 12** the last Sunday of Sunday School before the summer break (Games Day)

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Remember in your prayers:

- \*Irvin Driedger, in City Hospital after a serious stroke.
- \* John Friesen, recovering from surgery at home.
- \* Kim (and Ian) Osmond, as Kim is receiving chemotherapy.
- \* Menno Epp, who is also receiving chemotherapy treatments.

\*Our church picnic is Sunday, June 19th, and our theme is *The Joy and Laughter of Fellowship*. Everyone is invited to bring a few good, clean and appropriate jokes to share during our gathering time, which begins at 10:00 am. Also bring wieners or sausage to roast on the fire, chips or veggies to share, outdoor games, bubble blowing stuff and a friend.

\*MCC Relief Sale – A volunteer is needed to take a truck with the MCC Trailer to Prairieland Park on the evening of Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. For more details, contact Cornie Guenther at 239-4922 or cell: 222-2529. Also, helpers are needed for Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup> for setup for the sale, starting at 9:00am. Please call Cornie to volunteer your assistance for either of the above volunteer opportunities, or to help with take-down and clean up on Saturday after the sale.

\*12 Volunteers are needed from our congregation for the Verinicki Booth (1:00-3:00pm) at the MCC Relief Sale on Saturday, June 11. Sign up on the bulletin board sign up sheet and come to work together joyfully – serving God and neighbours with hearty food and hospitality, and washing up dishes together.

\*See the bulletin board poster for details on the MCC Relief Auction and Sale next Friday & Saturday. Come out and enjoy the food, activities and support the important work of the Mennonite Central Committee!

# \*Penny Power

Many areas in Mexico are semi-arid, receiving less than an inch of rainfall from November to May. During this time, water is scarce for people, animals and plants, and families must haul enough water from springs to wash, to drink, to cook and to sustain their animals and land. MCC has helped to build more than 110 cisterns which store water from the rainy season for use in the dry season. While the cistern doesn't provide enough water for the entire year, it has greatly reduced the burden of searching for water.

Spare change can lead to global change. Please add your spare change to the pitcher in the fover.

\*The Mission and Service committee would like to enter a float in the Osler Parade on July 1, but they need someone to oversee the project. Please contact any committee member or Gordon if you'd like to take this on.

\*The Summer Yard Maintenance Schedule for Osler Mennonite Church is now posted on the bulletin board. If your name is on the schedule, a copy of the schedule should also be in your church mailbox. Talk to any of the trustees if you have any questions.

\*Mark on your calendars and consider an opportunity to serve by co-ordinating or volunteering as a helper for OMC VBS this summer. The MC Sask VBS Troupe will once again lead the VBS program, with our help, the week of July 25-29<sup>th</sup> (mornings.)

\*Rosthern Junior College is pleased to present its June musical, "HONK", a musical comedy lovingly based on the story of the Ugly Duckling, on June 24 & 25 at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$15 each, and went on sale to the public on May 24<sup>th</sup>. For tickets, call RJC's office (306.232.4222 or email office@rjc.sk.ca).

\*RJC Alumni Banquet, Saturday, June 25th @ 6:00 pm in the RJC dining hall. We are delighted to invite all alumni and friends of RJC to join us to fellowship together. Adults - \$10.00, Children 12 & under - \$8.00. Please contact Denelda Fast (deneldafast@hotmail.com or 306-242-1757) or the RJC Office (office@rjc.sk.ca or 306-232-4222) by June 20th to register.

\*RJC Graduation, June 26, 2011: Everyone is welcome to join our grads, their families, fellow students and staff at the 2010-11 Baccalaureate Worship Service and Graduation Exercises on Sunday, June 26. The Baccalaureate Service will begin at 10:30 am at Rosthern Mennonite Church. The Graduation Exercises will begin at 2:30 pm in the RJC auditorium. Gather with us to celebrate this important time in the lives of our students, our school and our churches.

\*Mennonite Disaster Service continues to serve in many locations, including recovery efforts after Missouri and Kansas tornados, Manitoba flooding and Slave Lake Fires. See: <a href="http://mds.mennonite.net/home/">http://mds.mennonite.net/home/</a> or the bulletin board (under Service Opportunities) for more information. Or call 1-866-261-1274.

\*Congratulations to Sarah Buhler who received a Master of Law, this past week, from University of Saskatchewan.

# **TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:**

Acts 1:6 - 14 (NRSV) <sup>6</sup>So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" <sup>7</sup>He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. <sup>10</sup>While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. <sup>11</sup>They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." <sup>12</sup>Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. <sup>13</sup>When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. <sup>14</sup>All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

1 Peter 5:6 - 11 (NRSV) <sup>6</sup>Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. <sup>7</sup>Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. <sup>8</sup>Discipline yourselves, keep alert. Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup>Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. <sup>10</sup>And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. <sup>11</sup>To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

**Psalm 68:32 - 35 (NRSV)** <sup>32</sup> Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; sing praises to the Lord, *Selah* <sup>33</sup> O rider in the heavens, the ancient heavens; listen, God sends out God's voice, God's mighty voice. <sup>34</sup>Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel; and whose power is in the skies. <sup>35</sup> Awesome is God in God's sanctuary, the God of Israel; God gives power and strength to God's people. Blessed be God!