*New Rejoice devotional guides are now available in the foyer.

*MCC Connects - Please pray for Mennonites, Lutherans and the Young Chippewayan Band members as they work together to gather the genealogical data to meet Federal Government expectations for the Young Chippewayan outstanding land claim at Laird. For further information see sk.mcc.org/aboriginalneighbours

*MCC's international workers evacuated from Egypt during the recent turmoil have started returning to their work placements in Egypt . MCC asks that you pray for the safety and well-being of all people in Egypt and in other countries in the Middle East and North Africa where there is civil unrest.

*March 11-13 – CMU's Peace-It-Together A bus will be going from Saskatchewan. Registration cost: \$225. Please contact Anna Rehan at 249-4844 or anna@mcsask.ca now if you are considering attending, in case alternate arrangements need to be made. For more information about PIT: pit.cmu.ca and www.mcsask.ca.

Worship Leader: John Reddekopp Song Leader: Michelle McKinnell

Accompanist: Melanie Boldt Deanna Reddekopp Scripture:

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Ushers: Susan Braun, Carl Martens-Funk

This Sunday nursery care: Kathy Braun Next Sunday nursery care: Joanne Feick

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Osler, Saskatchewan A Welcoming Christian Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service March 6, 2011

TRANSFIGURATION SUNDAY

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 99).

Leader: The Lord reigns! Let the nations tremble: God sits

enthroned between the cherubim.

People: Great is the Lord and exalted over all the nations!

Leader: Let us praise the awesome name of the Lord! God loves

justice and has established equity.

People: Exalt the Lord and worship at God's footstool!

Leader: O Lord our God, those who called on your name you

answered. You were to Israel a forgiving God though you

punished their misdeeds.

People: Let us exalt and worship our Holy God!

Invocation

*Hvmn: HWB #81

"Oh, for a thousand tongues to sing"

HWB #106

"All hail the power of Jesus' name"

Discipline of Silence and Prayer of the church

PRAISING AND HEARING

Children's Time

Wilf Buhler

Hymn: STJ #71 "Alleluia, the Great Storm is over"

Old Testament Lessons: Exodus 24: 12-18 New Testament Lessons: Matthew 17: 1-9

Offering and Offertory Music

Prayer of Thanks

Hymn: HWB #232 "Christ upon the mountain peak"

Sermon:

"Up the Mountain"

Gordon Allaby

RESPONDING

*Hymn: HWB #233

"Joyful is the Dark"

*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.

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TODAY

- Education Committee to meet briefly in the sanctuary immediately following the Worship Service.
- Beverages and snacks available after the service.
- SUNDAY SCHOOL for all ages begins at 11:15 a.m
- **Floor hockey:** 7:00-7:30 pm younger children 7:30-8:30 pm older kids, youth and adults

THIS WEEK

- Wednesday, March 9, 2011 7:00pm OMC Book Club meets
- Thursday, March 10, 2011 7:30pm Deacons Meeting
- Friday, March 11, 2011 7:30 10:00pm Youth Ice Skating and Hot chocolate
- Saturday, March 12, 2011 2:30 4:00pm OMC Family swim at Shaw Centre. Sponsored by the Deacons Committee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Remember in your prayers:

- * **John Friesen,** recovering from back and neck surgery and may also be facing heart surgery.
- *Ash Wednesday is March 9th. Begin the season of Lent by stopping by the church, between 9:00 am and 9:00 pm, and use the self-guiding worship centre in the sanctuary.
- *Friday, March 11: Canadian Food Grains Bank Fundraiser Perogy Supper at the Brian King Center in Warman. 4:30-8:00pm
- *OMC Family Swim Saturday, March 12 at the Shaw Centre from 2:30 4:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to join the fun, and invite a friend. Our group rates are 50 cents less on single admissions. Adults -- \$7.80 (\$7.30); Youth (6-18) -- \$4.70 (\$4.20); Under 6 years Free; Family -- \$15.60. We may meet for supper afterwards, so keep that option in mind.
- *Lent begins next Sunday, March 13. Our Lenten theme is "Becoming human: called and shaped by Jesus." During the Sundays of Lent, we'll explore: what does it mean for us to be the created and recreated images of God? How may we become authentically human? How do we respond to the pressures that contort us into less-than-human, even inhuman beings? How does God's Spirit reshape us? Who is Jesus? Who am I and who am I becoming?
- *A study and worship resource for Lent At-Home: "Called and Shaped by Jesus" is now available to take home. You can pick up your copy in the foyer; next to the new Rejoice Devotional Guide.

*MC Sask Annual Delegate Sessions: March 18 & 19, 2011 at Hope Mennonite Fellowship Church in North Battleford. Those interested in representing OMC as delegates are asked to talk to Carl Martens-Funk.

*The Deacons are updating the Prayer Chain. See the bulletin board sign up sheet for those offering to be on the 2011 prayer chain.

*Children's Sunday School will be learning about the Parable of the Great Banquet for the next three Sundays. Your teachers for this rotation are Jake Buhler, Loretta Sawatzky and Ben Buhler.

***Tables for Sale**: There are a few of the old 3' X 6' wooden tables left for sale @ \$50/table. These are being replaced by plastic tables. Please contact Sarah Hiebert.

*Sat, March 12 6:00pm Wildwood Mennonite Church Canadian Mennonite fundraising banquet at Wildwood Mennonite Church, including Stephanie Siemens and Jenn Regier sharing about MC Canada Burkino Faso learning tour. Tickets: \$12.50. Contact Margaret Ewen Peters at margary@yourlink.ca or 306-544-2633 or Les Klassen Hamm at les@bitlink.ca or 306-241-0757 by March 6.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Exodus 24:12 - 18 (NRSV) ¹²The LORD said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." ¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the LORD settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the LORD was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of

the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.

Matthew 17:1 - 9 (NRSV) ¹Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone. ⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

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