



Sermon: "Heart of the problem" Gordon Allaby

RESPONDING

Hymn: HWB #567 "How firm a foundation"

\*Benediction

**\*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 11:15am.
- **Potluck meal at noon, followed by "Talk About" session.**  
**Topic for discussion: Stewardship.**

**THIS WEEK**

- **Thursday, October 20, 7:30pm – Worship Committee meeting**

**Remember in Prayer**

**Loretta Sawatzky and Lois Miller**, both recovering from surgery.

If you know others with health concerns, please let Gordon know.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**\*Saturday, October 29, 9:30am – OMC Men's breakfast**

\*Once each year, the **church council analyzes** the life and health of our church. The council plans to spend time during their November meeting to use the "**SWOT**" approach for assessing our church. The "SWOT" analysis tool avoids emotionally laden criticism or praise by examining the "**S**"--**Strengths** (what we do well), the "**W**" **Weaknesses** (what we do less well), the "**O**" **Opportunities** (external issues) and "**T**" **Threats** (also an external consideration). The SWOT approach will help us identify key factors that impact our church's ability to achieve our purpose and vision. Please share with Gordon or a council member how you understand our SWOT's so that council will be better equipped for their discussion

\***The current rotation of Children's Sunday School**, being taught by Shelley P., George J., and John R., is focusing on migrations, including Joseph and Mary, and Mennonite migrations. **Teachers are needed for the next 3-week rotation** (Oct. 23, 30 & Nov.6) as the children will learn about Jesus reading scripture in the synagogue and Menno Simons and Anabaptists. Please sign up on the bulletin board or talk to John Reddekopp if you can help with teaching.

\***Friday & Saturday, November 4-5: MCCS Encounter & AGM** at Eigenheim Mennonite Church. **Delegates are needed to represent OMC. Please talk to Carl Martens-Funk to volunteer** to act as a delegate. A Registration Form with more details is posted on the bulletin board or forms are also available at [sk.mcc.org](http://sk.mcc.org)

\***Touring Mission Fest will be here at OMC on November 5th.** OMC people are invited to join the touring group for supper (5:30pm), followed by a short program. Please sign up for the supper today, so that organizers have the number of people to prepare food for. The sign up sheet is on the foyer bulletin board. Donations will be received to cover the cost of the meal. The tour starts out from Wildwood Mennonite Church and Bethany Manor, and will visit See Life Network House Church in Saskatoon, Laird Mennonite Church, RJC, Mennonite Heritage Museum at Rosthern and Osler Mennonite Church. Visit: [www.mcsask.ca](http://www.mcsask.ca) for more information.

**\*The Deacons are collecting items for care packages** for our 9 students at RJC and also, those away at University and Bible schools. Shoeboxes are in the foyer and you are invited to add notes of encouragement, home baking, treats and small items to these care boxes for Craig & Teresa Friesen, Scott Feick, Greg, Ryan, Erin & Kyla Boldt, Chris Cox and Lacey Braun. They will be shipped Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, so **please have all contributions at the church by noon on Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>.**

**\*Missing: From the Coffee Gathering room,** the black board and money box. If found, please return to Joanne Feick or Louise Buhler.

**\*The Mission and Service Committee will again provide much appreciated hot chocolate on October 31** while people are out going door to door. This is also a fun opportunity for two non-town people to experience the fun of the evening. Please contact Gordon if you would like to volunteer. We offer hot chocolate from 5-7:30 pm.

**\*October 22, 2011 9:30am to 3:45pm: 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Equipping Day** at Zoar Mennonite Church, Waldheim. The theme will be “Growing as Family” with many Workshops. Presenters include Jake Buhler, Eric Olfert, Maria Campbell, Ray and Abe Funk and many more! See the bulletin board poster or [www.mcsask.ca](http://www.mcsask.ca) for more details of workshops at this great learning event and for registration forms.

**\*Monday, October 24, 5:00 – 7:00pm: RJC Perogy Supper Fundraiser** at First Mennonite Church (418 Queen Street, Saskatoon). Admission is by donation, and the RJC Chorale will be performing. Everyone is welcome.

**\*October 28-30: Shekinah** will host a **Quilting and Scrapbooking Retreat**. Cost is \$145 and the registration deadline is October 15<sup>th</sup>. Contact Donna Schultz at (306)232-4733 or [dls0503@hotmail.com](mailto:dls0503@hotmail.com). Some brochures are on the bulletin board or download yours from [www.shekinahretreatcentre.org](http://www.shekinahretreatcentre.org)

**\*Sunday, November 13, 2:30pm** at Nutana Park Mennonite Church, an Afternoon of Classical Music. An offering will be taken that will go towards African relief. All are welcome.

**\*MEDA Dinner and Speaker Event - Thursday, November 24.** Everyone is welcome! Tickets are \$20. Contact Bethany Manor at 242-9019 or email [smcsi@sasktel.net](mailto:smcsi@sasktel.net)

### **TODAY’S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:**

**Micah 6:1 - 8 (NRSV)** <sup>1</sup> Hear what the LORD says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. <sup>2</sup> Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the LORD has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. <sup>3</sup> “O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! <sup>4</sup> For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. <sup>5</sup> O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD.” <sup>6</sup> “With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? <sup>7</sup> Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” <sup>8</sup> He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

**Ephesians 5:21 - 33 (NRSV)** <sup>21</sup>Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ. <sup>22</sup>Wives, be subject to your husbands as you are to the Lord. <sup>23</sup>For the husband is the head of the wife just as Christ is the head of the church, the body of which he is the Savior. <sup>24</sup>Just as the church is subject to Christ, so also wives ought to be, in everything, to their husbands. <sup>25</sup>Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup>in order to make her holy by cleansing her with the washing of water by the word, <sup>27</sup>so as to present the church to himself in splendor, without a spot or wrinkle or anything of the kind—yes, so that she may be holy and without blemish. <sup>28</sup>In the same way, husbands should love their wives as they do their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup>For no one ever hates his own body, but he nourishes and tenderly cares for it, just as Christ does for the church, <sup>30</sup>because we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup>“For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one flesh.” <sup>32</sup>This is a great mystery, and I am applying it to Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup>Each of you, however, should love his wife as himself, and a wife should respect her husband.