

***MCC Connects** – Prayers and practices of nonviolence, MCC’s Peace Sunday resource packet, is now available online through the website at sk.mcc.org. A Supplement with historical accounts of nonviolence over the last 100 years, along with stories, quotes and additional resources is also accessible through the website.

***Urgent prayer request from Mennonite Church Canada:** Pray for Mennonite Church Canada workers Daniel and Joji Pantoja, their colleagues at Peacebuilders Community (PBCI) and friends and family of Fr. Fausto Tentorio as they grieve his death. Fr. Tentorio was murdered at his church in North Cotabato, Mindanao, Philippines, on Oct 17th. For more than 30 years he served his parish and staunchly supported indigenous people and peasant groups. Pray for PBCI as they conduct a fact-finding mission to the region and advocate for justice.

***Walking the Path** – The major Truth and Reconciliation event in Saskatoon has been moved up to June 20-24, 2012. To prepare for it, plan to attend the Equipping Conference (Oct. 22), the MCCS Annual meeting (Nov. 4/5), the MC Sask annual Delegate Assembly (Feb. 24/25) and the MHSS Annual meeting (March 2/3).

Worship Leader: Jake Buhler
Song Leader: Kevin Boldt
Accompanist: Melanie Boldt
Sound: Chris Buhler
Ushers: Cornie Guenther, Russ Friesen
This Sunday nursery care: MaryAnn Braun
Next Sunday nursery care: Sarah Guenther



OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan
**A Welcoming Christian
Community for Peace**

10:00 a.m. Worship Service
October 23, 2011

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

Lighting the Peace Lamp

Call to Worship:

L: We are invited to share in Christ's ministry of compassion.

P: We would widen our hearts so we might cradle the lost.

L: We are challenged to learn more about God each day.

P: We would open our minds that we might discern God's dreams for us.

L: We are summoned to let the Spirit be planted within us.

P: We would deepen our souls that we might grow in love.

Invocation

***Hymns: HWB #377
HWB #167**

**“Healer of our every ill”
“For God so loved us”**

Our story

Sharing of joys and concerns

Discipline of Silence and Prayer of the church

PRAISING AND HEARING

Children’s Time

Sarah/Charlie

Hymn: HWB #341

“Jesus loves me”

Offering and Offertory Music

Offertory prayer

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Old Testament Lessons: Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18

New Testament Lessons: Matthew 22:34-40

Hymn: HWB # 383 **“God, whose giving”**

Sermon: “The “donkey and the fire” Gordon Allaby

RESPONDING

Hymn: HWB #420 **“Heart with loving heart united”**

*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.

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

- **Tuesday, October 25, 7:30pm** – Education Committee meeting
 - **Thursday, October 27, 7:30pm** – Missions and Service Committee meeting
 - **Friday, October 28, 7:30 – 10:00pm** Junior Youth meet at the church for Puppet Ministry practice
 - **Saturday, October 29, 9:30am** – OMC Men’s breakfast
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Gordon will not be keeping normal office hours this week. He can be contacted via his cell phone, 280-5246.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

***Congratulations to George Janzen** who was elected to the Prairie Spirit School Division to represent the Osler-Dalmeny-Hepburn areas and the rural areas around Martensville and Warman.

***Congratulations to Karl Martens** on admission as a member of the Law Society of Saskatchewan upon successful completion of the bar examinations.

***Congratulations to Chelsea Cox**, who was awarded a Master of Arts degree in English yesterday at the UofS convocation ceremony.

***Submissions for the November newsletter** should be submitted to the office by November 2.

***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) when the children will learn about Jesus reading scripture in the synagogue and Menno Simons and Anabaptists. Sign up on the bulletin board or talk to John Reddekopp about leading a class.

***When Church Council meets on November 4th**, they will be analyzing the life and health of our church. You are invited to share with council members our strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats, as you understand them.

***Can you serve as an OMC delegate? Friday & Saturday, November 4-5: MCCS Encounter & AGM** at Eigenheim Mennonite Church. Please talk to Carl Martens-Funk if you can volunteer as a delegate. A Registration form with more details is posted on the bulletin board or forms are also available at sk.mcc.org

***Touring Mission Fest will be here at OMC on November 5th, 5:30pm:** OMC people are invited to join the touring group for supper, followed by a short program. Please sign up for the supper asap. so that organizers have the number of people to prepare food for. The meal sign up sheet is on the foyer bulletin board. Donations will be received to cover the cost of the meal. Visit: www.mcsask.ca

***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 an 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.

***Friday, November 11, 11:00am:** An outdoor Remembrance Day memorial service to remember all the losses from war will be held at the Rotary Peace Park (South side, near the Traffic bridge) on November 11 at 11:00 am. This event is open to the public, and is sponsored by Mennonite Church Saskatchewan.

***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 15th. Contact Donna Schultz at (306)232-4733 or dls0503@hotmail.com. Some brochures are on the bulletin board or download yours from www.shekinahretreatcentre.org

***Bethany Manor Pie Social** will be held on Nov. 5 from 2:30-4:00 p.m. Everyone Welcome!

*You are invited to attend the Mennonite Historical Society of Sask. Genealogy Day **“Remembering the Peacemakers” on November 11 and 12 at Bethany Manor**, 110 LaRonge Road, in the Fellowship Centre. On Friday, Nov. 11, 7:30 pm, Leonard Doell will lead a short Remembrance Day Service with Conrad Stoesz of Winnipeg as the keynote speaker. Entertainment: Shelly Lavertie. Saturday, 10am to noon: Conrad Stoesz. Lunch \$8.00 Various speakers from 1-3:00 pm.

***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.

*On August 6, members of the **7000 Generations Walk Against Nuclear Waste** stopped at our church for supper and an evening of sharing. They were on their way to Regina to present a petition against a proposed nuclear waste storage site in northern Saskatchewan. This group now is inviting us to a Northern Thank You Feast on Saturday, December 3, 5 p.m. at the Bernice Sayese Centre in Prince Albert (1350 - 15th Avenue West). **RSVP by November 15** to 288-2079 (Candace) or committeeforfuturegenerations@gmail.com.

***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

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Leviticus 19:1 – 2, 15-18 (NRSV) ¹The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: ²Speak to all the congregation of the people of Israel and say to them: You shall be holy, for I the LORD your God am holy.

¹⁵You shall not render an unjust judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great: with justice you shall judge your neighbour. ¹⁶You shall not go around as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not profit by the blood of your neighbour: I am the LORD. ¹⁷You shall not hate in your heart anyone of your kin; you shall reprove your neighbour, or you will incur guilt yourself. ¹⁸You shall not take vengeance or bear a grudge against any of your people, but you shall love your neighbour as yourself: I am the LORD.

Matthew 22:34 - 40 (NRSV) ³⁴When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, ³⁵and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ³⁶“Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?” ³⁷He said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.” ³⁸This is the greatest and first commandment. ³⁹And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself.’ ⁴⁰On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.”