

\***MCC Connects** - Ride for Refuge comes to Saskatoon for a second time! Join the MCCS team, Pedal for Peace, on October 1! Proceeds support newcomer families and their sponsorship groups. Our goal is to register 13 teams and raise \$10,000. Teams can register by logging onto [sk.mcc.org/ride-refuge](http://sk.mcc.org/ride-refuge). Join one of the existing teams or make up your own!

\***MCCS Connects** - Hear ye! Hear ye! Come one, come all to MCC's Encounter and AGM at the Eigenheim Mennonite Church, 7 miles west of Rosthern, on November 4 & 5, 2011. Learn more about peace building on the prairies and peace clubs in Zambia, Africa. Delegates and guests are invited to participate.

\***Canadian Mennonite University** [www.cmu.ca](http://www.cmu.ca)  
**CMU's Fall Festival 2011**, Sept 30 to Oct 1. Plan to attend this exciting, fun-filled weekend featuring Blazer Award Presentations, Faculty lecture and recital, volleyball games, MennoCross, bike race, faculty samplers, class reunions, free fall BBQ & fall fair and fall festival worship. Visit: <http://www.cmu.ca/fallfestival.html>.

\*CMU welcomes students to pray and praise together at **Peace-it-Together** March 9-11, Jesus: The Peace that Matters.

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Worship Leader: Wilf Buhler  
Song Leader: Loretta Sawatzky  
Accompanist: Lynette Janzen  
Sound: Dave Klassen  
Ushers: Harold Loewen, Steve Rowan  
This Sunday nursery care: Sarah Buhler  
Next Sunday nursery care: Diana Buhler

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## OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

Osler, Saskatchewan

**A Welcoming Christian  
Community for Peace**

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
September 18, 2011

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements

### GATHERING

Call to Worship  
Invocation

\***Hymns: SJ #13**                      “My soul is filled with joy”  
**HWB #521**                      “Come, thou fount”

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

### PRAISING AND HEARING

Children's Time – Loose Change Sunday                      Jake Buhler

**Hymn: Love, Love, Love**

Verse 1:

**Love, love, love! That's what it's all about!**

**'Cause God loves us, we love each other,**

**Mother, father, sister, brother,**

**Everybody sing and shout, “Cause that's what it's all about!**

**It's about love, love, love! It's about love, love, love!**

**Verse 2: Peace**

**Verse 3: Joy**

Offering and Offertory Music  
Offertory prayer

Old Testament Lessons: Psalm 36

New Testament Lessons: Revelation 22:1-5, 17

**Hymn: HWB #606** "Oh, have you not heard"

Message: "Prayer: Drawing upon life-giving water" Allan Klassen

RESPONDING

**Hymn: "HWB #372** "O healing river"

\*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**

- **Loose change Sunday.**
- **Our Junior Youth are at the SMYO Jr. Youth retreat** at the Rosthern Youth Farm Bible Camp this weekend.
- **Beverages and snacks** available after the service.
- **Sunday School for all ages** begins at 11:15am.

**THIS WEEK**

- **Tuesday, Sept. 20, 7:30pm** – Meeting with Hinke Loewen Rudgers regarding Israel/Palestine partnership
  - **Wednesday, Sept. 21** – International Day of Peace
  - **Thursday, Sept. 22, 7:30pm** – Missions and Service Committee meeting
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Remember in Prayer**

**Gordon Allaby** as he recovers from surgery.

**Deanna Reddekopp**, who is now at home.

**Mark Bigland-Pritchard and family:** Mark's mother suffered a massive stroke last Sunday.

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

**\*Today: Cluster meeting for OMC congregation members today: at Warman Mennonite Church at 3:00pm. Everyone who is interested in church ministry, including work with youth ministry, is encouraged to attend.** The following message is from Mennonite Church Saskatchewan Executive: MCSask is inviting dialog with all its member churches. As congregations age and demographics shift, we will be evaluating the priorities of MC Sask. Because much of the ministry is centered in the congregations, we plan to start by asking what you are doing within each congregation, and how you see that developing and possibly changing within the next ten years or so. We feel that MC Sask. needs to tailor its ministries so that they will support and strengthen the ministries of the congregations. We need to hear from the people in the churches what the priorities are that we should focus on as we plan for the future. It is for these reasons that we have initiated these consultations. Between September and November, 2011 we would like to meet in clusters with pastors, church councils, deacon boards, youth groups, young adults and all others who are interested. Our congregation is invited to meet at Warman Mennonite Church on Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm. Thank you for your participation in these discussions.

**\*Tuesday, September 20, 7:30pm:** Hinke Loewen Rudgers, our Witness worker in Israel/Palestine, is currently on North American assignment. She will be at our church to discuss a possible congregation to congregation partnership between Osler Mennonite Church and a church in Israel/Palestine. Everyone is encouraged to attend and see how we can learn and support each other in prayer.

\*It's not too early to volunteer for the next 3-week Sunday School rotation. The theme for October 2, 9 and 16<sup>th</sup> will be "How did we get here: Migrations". Speak to Sunday School superintendent John Reddekopp for more information.

**\*October 28-30: Shekinah** will host a **Quilting and Scrapbooking Retreat**. Cost is \$145 and the registration deadline: 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 may be downloaded from [www.shekinahretreatcentre.org](http://www.shekinahretreatcentre.org)

**\*CMU:** Journey through time on the **CMU Study Tour: Ancient Stones, Living Stones: the Holy Land in Perspective**. Travel April 30 – May 21, 2012 with leader Gordon Matties, Professor of Biblical & Theological Studies. Visit [www.cmu.ca/studytour](http://www.cmu.ca/studytour) for more details.



Check Mennonite Church Canada's website for many online videos, including preview videos for DVD's available for loan.

Also, through their site, link to other unique video options for Sunday School, worship or family.

[www.mennonitechurch.ca/resourcecentre](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/resourcecentre).

One recommended site:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uyRFsQK0RWs> "Level Ground Trading: From crop to cup" Level Ground Trading has partnered with Coffee for Peace to produce this delicious micro-lot. This is the entire story from crop to cup.

**\*The Deacons are putting together a list of our students** at RJC or University. Please advise the office of the name of your student, their school, and their mailing address.

**\*Kids: please take home your creations and artwork from the table in the foyer.** Items left after today will be discarded.

**\*Please submit** a completed Criminal record check if you have not already done so and if you teach Sunday School or otherwise work with children. This is in keeping with our Safe Church Policy.

**\*OMC's Book Club** is starting up again soon! Diane McKinnell has selected the first book for this fall: "The 19<sup>th</sup> Wife" by David Ebershoff. Diane will borrow 6 books from the library the last week in September and people can get books from her at church on Oct. 2 or contact Diane (239-4603) or Leslie Allaby. Tentative discussion date for this book is November 9. More details on the bulletin board.

**\*Wednesday, September 21, 3:00pm: International Day of Peace** and everyone is invited to MCCS to attend the launch of a new travelling display created by Citizenship and Immigration Canada: "**Canada: A History of Refuge.**" The display features stories of refugees who came to Canada through private and Government Sponsorship Programs, as well as in-land Claimants, a timeline of Canada's involvement from the 1700s through to 2011, as well as various protection programs. MCCS wants to recognize September 21, the International Day of Peace, along with officially opening this display. MCCS will be hosting the display from Sept. 19 – Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>. All are welcome to view the display at any time during office hours. Please see the bulletin board poster for those hours.

**On September 21 at Mennonite Central Committee, starting at 3:00pm**, the afternoon will include entertainment, refreshments and stories from a variety of people including Chai Bouphaphanh, who is featured on one of the displays. Chai was sponsored by the Drake Mennonite Church with his family in 1980 and recently one of his photographs was selected by the National Geographic Magazine. All are welcome to attend!

**\*Artisan Day: Saturday, September 24** from 9:15 am to 3:00 pm at Bethany Manor. Admission is \$2 at the door. Come see numerous articles on display, paintings, quilts, pottery, woodwork, carvings, and other crafts, all of excellent quality. Visitors will have an opportunity to talk with the artisans. For a sample items you will find on display, check out the photo story report of the 2009 Artisan Day: <http://mhss.sk.ca/events/Artisan-Day-09-photostory.shtml>.

**\*Plan to attend the Global leadership Summit, Sept. 29-30 @** Ebenezer Baptist Church in Saskatoon. Hear about the latest sociological trends in religion from Reginald Bibby, presentations by best selling author Seth Godin, Mama Maggie Gobran (Nobel Peace Prize nominee), and more. Registration fees for Mennonite Church Canada attendees are reduced by 60%! Find out more at [www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1600](http://www.mennonitechurch.ca/tiny/1600). Deadline for registration is September. 21. See the bulletin board for a poster with more details.

**\*Sat. October 1: Ride for Refuge Canada:** Cycle 10km to 50 km and raise funds for the MCCS Refugee Assistance Fund. MCSask's goal for 2011 is to raise \$10,000. Join their team "Pedal for Peace" or create your own team. Visit: [sk.mcc.org](http://sk.mcc.org). or see Bulletin board.

**\*The Corn Maze and Petting Zoo** at the Youth Farm Bible Camp is open for the season every Friday-Sunday from 1:00-8:00pm. The Corn Maze and Petting Zoo has been very busy with around 2000 visitors so far this year. They are definitely hoping for a great fall with warm temperatures till the end of October or later. For more information check out the website: [www.youthfarmcornmaze.com](http://www.youthfarmcornmaze.com)

**\*Tuesday, October 4 - 5:00-7:00 - The Youth Farm Bible Camp** is having their annual Fall Supper. Roast Beef, Turkey, Stuffing, Potatoes, Salads, Pies and more. Admission by donation.

**\*October 14 and 15: Women's Retreat at Shekinah** "Spiritual Growth and Learning" based on The Cup of Our Life by Joyce Rupp. Speaker: Rose Graber. To register call 232-4204 or 232-5050.

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

**Psalm 36:1 - 12 (NRSV)** <sup>1</sup> Transgression speaks to the wicked deep in their hearts; there is no fear of God before their eyes. <sup>2</sup> For they flatter themselves in their own eyes that their iniquity cannot be found out and hated. <sup>3</sup> The words of their mouths are mischief and deceit; they have ceased to act wisely and do good. <sup>4</sup> They plot mischief while on their beds; they are set on a way that is not good; they do not reject evil. <sup>5</sup> Your steadfast love, O LORD, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds. <sup>6</sup> Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains, your judgments are like the great deep; you save humans and animals alike, O LORD. <sup>7</sup> How precious is your steadfast love, O God! All people may take refuge in the shadow of your wings. <sup>8</sup> They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights. <sup>9</sup> For with you is the fountain of life; in your light we see light. <sup>10</sup> O continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your salvation to the upright of heart! <sup>11</sup> Do not let the foot of the arrogant tread on me, or the hand of the wicked drive me away. <sup>12</sup> There the evildoers lie prostrate; they are thrust down, unable to rise.

**Revelation 22:1 - 5 (NRSV)** <sup>1</sup>Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup>through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup>Nothing accursed will be found there any more. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; <sup>4</sup>they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup>And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

**Revelation 22:17 (NRSV)** <sup>17</sup> The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift.