\*MCC Connects - April 22<sup>nd</sup> is Earth Day – the largest, most recognized environmental event worldwide. MCC encourages your congregation to recognize Earth Day. Educational activities and events can offer an opportunity to renew our commitment to a thriving creation, in partnership with communities around the world. Seecreationcare.mcc.org and earthday.ca for ideas!

\*Job Opportunity - MCCS is accepting applications for a Restorative Justice Coordinator until May 4, 2012. This is a salaried position requiring a Bachelors degree or equivalent experience in a related field. A complete job description can be found at mcc.org/serve. For more information contact saskhr@mccs.org or call 665-2555.

# \*Canadian Mennonite University www.cmu.ca

CMU invites your prayers as students prepare to graduate. 92 students will graduate from the Outtatown program on April 15 and approximately 80 students will graduate from CMU on April 22.

\*Motorcycle Rally Fundraiser together with RJC, on Saturday, June 9. Registration 10 am- Noon, rally starts at 1:00 pm. See the bulletin board poster for more information.

Worship Leader: Jim Dyck Song Leader: Kevin Boldt Accompanist: Melanie Boldt Scripture reader: Tony Funk Sound: Chris Buhler

Dick Braun, Carl Martens-Funk Ushers:

This Sunday nursery care: Adeline Cox

Next Sunday nursery care: Jennifer Rowan and Delaney Sawatzky

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Osler, Saskatchewan

A Welcoming Christian Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service April 15, 2012

# Second Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Our Story:

Margaret Dyck

### **GATHERING**

Call to Worship Invocation

\*Hymn: HWB #25

"Jesus, stand among us"

SJ #19

"I will call upon the Lord"

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

## PRAISING AND HEARING

Children's Time:

Wilf Buhler

**Hymn: HWB #274** 

"O sons and daughters, let us sing!"

Gospel Lesson: John 20:19-31

Lesson from the Acts: Acts 4:32-35

Offering and Offertory music

Offertory prayer

**Hymn: HWB #570** 

"We walk by faith"

Sermon:

"That sinking feeling"

Gordon Allaby

#### RESPONDING

\*Hymn: HWB #421

"Bless'd be the tie that binds"

\*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 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 children begins at 11:15am.

### THIS WEEK

- Tuesday, April 17 MC Sask Pastors Gathering
- Thursday, April 10, 7:00 pm, Worship Committee meeting
- Saturday, April 21, 9am-noon Work day
- Saturday, April 21, 7-10pm Youth Creation Care Night

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*Church Work Day on Saturday, April 21, 9 am – Noon.

### \*Birth Announcements:

Anna Nancy Neufeld was born to Rachel Buhler and Clint Neufeld on April 5, 2012. Congratulations to the proud parents, as well as to Grandma and Grandpa Ruth and Wilf and Uncle Chris!

Olivia Judith, daughter of Michelle McKinnell and Karl Martens arrived April 12, 2012. Congratulations to the whole family, including grandparents, Doug and Diane McKinnell.

\*MCC Happenings: See posters on bulletin board for more details on Songs for the Sale" concert on Sunday, April 15, 7:00pm at Forest Grove Community Church.

\*Rosthern Junior College Chorale and Canadian Mennonite University Chamber Choir fundraising Banquet and Concert will be **held April 24th at Osler Mennonite Church**. Join us for the banquet at 6:00 pm and/or the concert to follow at 7:30 pm. Reservations are needed for the banquet, but not the concert. Contact RJC by April 9th to reserve banquet tickets (306-232-4222 or email office@rjc.sk.ca). Please join us for an inspiring evening of music! An offering in support of both schools will be taken at the concert.

### \* Assembly 2012 Registration:

The Early Bird registration deadline approaches! Plan to attend *Dusting off the Bible for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*, Mennonite Church Canada's 2012 Assembly in Vancouver. There will be music, inspiration, friends, faith, and food. Save by signing up by May 15<sup>th</sup>! Details at www.mennonitechurch.ca/vancouver2012.

\*"Seed the change, Feed the change" Sask. Environmental Network presents an Environmental Film Festival **April 20-22 at the Roxy Theatre**, 320 20<sup>th</sup> St. W. Saskatoon. Admission: Weekend pass: \$25, day pass \$15; film \$5. There will be a gala Friday at "Paved Arts" and children's activities on Saturday and Sunday afternoons on site. For details, see econet.ca or visit *Saskatoon environmental film festival* on facebook or see the schedule on the bulletin board.

\*Christian Counselling Services is hosting their 2nd in a series of Lunch & Learn's on May 1<sup>st</sup>, at Cornerstone Church (11:30am-1:00pm). Dr. Bruce Pringle will be speaking on the healing power of Christ in counselling, with case studies from his counselling work that illustrate the healing power of Christ in counselling. This presentation will be valuable for anyone who finds themselves in a helping relationship in their personal lives or professional lives. Cost of \$12 cost per person for lunch (which is provided). There is a limited number of seats available, so RSVP soon to 244-9890 or chcounselling@sasktel.net by Monday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>.

\*Sask Women in Mission Enrichment Day, Saturday, April 28. See poster on the bulletin board for many more details.

\*May 5: 2012 Touring Mission Fest departing from Wildwood Mennonite Church and Bethany Manor to visit: Laird Mennonite Church, Rosthern Junior College, Rosthern's Mennonite Heritage Museum and Osler Mennonite Church. Cost is \$50 which includes coach transportation, lunch and supper. (Snack paid by donation) Everyone is invited to attend the supper meal here at OMC at 5:30pm. Cost is \$10 and a sign up sheet for supper is now on the bulletin board. Registration forms and more information also on the bulletin board.

\*RJC Spring Classic Golf Tournament at the Valley Regional Park, Rosthern, on May 26, 2012. Information and registration forms can be downloaded from the RJC website at <a href="www.rjc.sk.ca">www.rjc.sk.ca</a> or contact <a href="rjcgolf@rjc.sk.ca">rjcgolf@rjc.sk.ca</a>. Early bird registration is April 27; final golf & banquet reservations by May 17.

# **MDS Prayer Requests**

\*Perth-Andover, NB is a community of only 1700 that has experienced severe flooding. Nearly 500 people were affected including many seniors. MDS has been on location with other partners in the initial clean up and assessment, and is considering the potential of a longer-term presence. Please pray for this community.

\*Wildfires across southern Alberta have led the MDS Alberta Unit to assist local ranchers in rebuilding in Fort Macleod. Progress is being made thanks to many Alberta volunteers. Pray for safety and stamina as this progress continues.

\*MDS is seeking someone to organize and coordinate a knitted **Prayer Shawl Ministry**. This person would motivate women's groups and knitters to make shawls for MDS to present to clients with whom we work. Please contact Janet Plenert <a href="mailto:jplenert@mds.mennonite.net">jplenert@mds.mennonite.net</a> for information.

### **TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:**

**John 20:19 - 31 (NRSV)** <sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup>When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." <sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." <sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup>Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup>Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." <sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Acts 4:32 - 35 (NRSV) <sup>32</sup>Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. <sup>33</sup>With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. <sup>34</sup>There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. <sup>35</sup>They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.