\*MCC Connects - "A great uproar of kids was raised and grew louder with every new school kit given into their small outstretched hands. And it was even louder as they opened the bags to see many notebooks in different colors, pencils, crayons, erasers, sharpeners, and colored rulers." reads a report from a Roma settlement in Serbia where MCC school kits were distributed. Bring joy to more children by donating kit supplies. Visit mccsk.ca/material resources for information.

\*Saturday, September 8 (1:00-9:00pm) Fall Family Festival at the Youth Farm Bible Camp. This will be a special event at the Youth Farm Corn Maze with a Car Show, Food Booths, Gospel Music in the afternoon and the Valley Wide Praise & Worship starting at 7:30 in the evening. It's a great time to check out the Corn Maze, Petting Zoo, Climbing Wall, Rider Pride Train, Bounce Castle and more. We will also be having carnival like activities for children! If you would like to put an entry into the car show, please call 321-7033.

Worship Leader: Wilf Buhler Song Leader: Art Zacharias

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Community for Peace

10:00 a.m. Worship Service August 26, 2012

Prelude Welcome and Announcements

## **GATHERING**

Call to Worship **Invocation and Prayer** 

\*Hvmn: Blue HWB #641

"O day of rest and gladness"

"Praise the Lord, sing hallelujah" **Blue HWB # 50** 

Sharing of joys and concerns Prayer of the church

## LISTENING

Children's Time

Craig Friesen

"He came down" Hymn: Green SJ #31

New Testament lessons: Matthew 18: 1-6: 2 John 1: 1-6

Offering and Offertory music Offertory prayer

Hymn: Blue HWB # 616 "Children of the heavenly Father"

"Faith like a child" Message: Craig Friesen

#### RESPONDING

\*Hymn: Blue HWB # 167 "For God so loved us"

\*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.

The nursery is available for parents with infants and small children. Please note that no supervision will be provided in the Nursery during the summer months.

**Children's Worship Binder**, an instrument to help children through the worship hour, is available in the foyer.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- \*Gordon will be on holidays from August 20 to September 3. Please contact the deacons for pastoral care.
- \*Adeline will be in the office on Thursday, August 30 to prepare the bulletin and September newsletter. Please have all newsletter submissions in by Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> and all bulletin information in by early Thursday morning, August 30<sup>th</sup>.
- \*The **Church Yard maintenance** schedule is posted on the bulletin board. Jim Dyck and John Reddekopp are asked to take charge of cutting the grass in the church yard during the next two weeks.
- \*Saturday, September 1, the **Youth** will have a **Wiener Roast** at the Allaby's. Meet at the church at 6pm.
- \*The next church **potluck** will be Sunday, September 9th.

- \*Sunday, September 9<sup>th</sup> is also the Sunday when Sunday School resumes and we will again meet for coffee and fellowship in the Gathering Place after Sunday morning worship. A **sign up sheet to bring snacks** for Sunday School and for coffee time is now on the bulletin board. Feel free to sign up any time to bring "goodies"!
- \*Sunday School starts September 9, beginning with registration. The theme this year is "Salvation History: Biblical Stories". The first rotation will focus on "God saves Moses" with all students together as one group for the first Sunday.
- \*The new fall "Rejoice" devotionals are in the foyer for you. Please take one home.
- \*Check out the paintings done by the VBS students. They are hanging on the west and south bulletin boards.
- \*Congratulations to Joel Sawatzky who, after the required 4 years of working as an engineer- in-training, has earned "Professional Engineer" status.
- \*Sunday, August 26, 2:00pm at Shekinah: **A Mennonite/Muslim Gathering** sponsored by MCSask. See the Bulletin Board poster for details.
- \*The Youth Farm **corn maze** is open at Rosthern for family fun! See the bulletin board for details.
- \*The SMYO Junior High Retreat will be held at Rosthern Youth Farm Bible Camp the weekend of September 14-16<sup>th</sup>. Junior Youth should talk to Leslie Allaby for more information. Deadline for registration is Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup>.
- \*The Board of Saskatoon Mennonite Care Services Inc. announces that Glen Grismer has been hired as the Executive Director at Bethany Manor. Glen has been the interim director since May

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

**Matthew 18:1 - 6 (NRSV)** <sup>1</sup>At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" <sup>2</sup>He called a child, whom he put among them, <sup>3</sup>and said, "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup>Whoever becomes humble like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. <sup>5</sup>Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me. <sup>6</sup>"If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were fastened around your neck and you were drowned in the depth of the sea.

**2 John 1:1 - 6 (NRSV)** <sup>1</sup>The elder to the elect lady and her children, whom I love in the truth, and not only I but also all who know the truth, <sup>2</sup>because of the truth that abides in us and will be with us forever: <sup>3</sup>Grace, mercy, and peace will be with us from God the Father and from Jesus Christ, the Father's Son, in truth and love. <sup>4</sup>I was overjoyed to find some of your children walking in the truth, just as we have been commanded by the Father. <sup>5</sup>But now, dear lady, I ask you, not as though I were writing you a new commandment, but one we have had from the beginning, let us love one another. <sup>6</sup>And this is love, that we walk according to his commandments; this is the commandment just as you have heard it from the beginning—you must walk in it.