

\***MCC Connects** - Plan to attend the third Annual Spruce River Folk Festival on Saturday, August 25, beginning at 1:30 PM at the Spruce River Farm, 20 kms north of Prince Albert on Hwy 2. Co-sponsors for the festival, Grace Mennonite Church, MC Sask and MCCA, have designated proceeds to the Young Chippewayan Genealogy Project. Visit [mccsk.ca](http://mccsk.ca) for details.

\*See the bulletin board for an update **from MCC on the widespread drought** and food distribution in Mexico. Your donations are gratefully accepted to support this critical work.

\***Canadian Mennonite University** : [www.cmu.ca](http://www.cmu.ca)

**Portable CMU**: Bring CMU to your own local setting. The 2012-13 Portable CMU brochure features 20 short courses in a wide range of topics our faculty members have prepared to deliver in a variety of contexts away from CMU. Visit <http://www.cmu.ca/portable.html>

\*The **MDS Update** for July 26, 2012 is now posted on the bulletin board. Many opportunities for service are included in this update, including the need for prayer support.

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Worship Leader: Dave Feick  
Song Leader: Kevin Boldt  
Accompanists: Melanie Boldt  
Scripture: Liam and Adam Boldt, Katherine Allaby  
Sound: Abe Braun  
Ushers: Cornie Guenther, Russ Friesen

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## OSLER MENNONITE CHURCH

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

10:00 a.m. Worship Service  
August 5, 2012

*“Seek peace with Your Enemies”*

**Focus statement:** God calls us to treat potential enemies with hospitality rather than hostility.

Prelude  
Welcome and Announcements

### GATHERING

Psalm Reading: Psalm 34: 4-8, 14

#### **Call to Worship:**

One: Open our eyes, O God, that we may see,

**Side 1: *that we may see your flaming presence that surrounds us with protection,***

**Side 2: *that we may see the light of your Spirit that dwells among us with love***

One: Open our eyes, O God, that we may see,

**Side 1: *that we may see the face of a friend where we thought there was an enemy,***

**Side 2: *that we may see a banquet hall instead of a battlefield.***

One: During this time of worship, O God,

**All: *open our eyes to your vision of peace. Amen.***

Invocation and Prayer for peace (*Lighting Peace Lamp*)

\***Hymn: Blue #373**  
**Blue #493**

**“Thou true Vine, that heals”**  
**“I heard the voice of Jesus say”**

Sharing of joys and concerns  
Prayer of the church

## LISTENING

Children's Time

Kathryn Janzen

**Hymn: Green #23** "Slowly turning, ever turning"

New Testament lessons: 2 Kings 6:8-23

Offering and Offertory music

Offertory prayer

**Hymn: Blue #371** "Let there be light, Lord God"

Message: "Peace with Enemies" Gordon Allaby

## RESPONDING

**Prayer of Confession: SJ (Green) #131**

Assurance of Pardon

**\*Hymn: Blue #323** "Beyond a dying sun"

\*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.

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.

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## **THIS WEEK**

- **Wednesday, August 8, 7pm** Worship Committee meeting
  - **Thursday, August 9, 7:30pm** Deacons Meeting
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## **Remember in Prayer**

Those with health concerns, including Aron Friesen and family, and also, Stella Peters from Warman.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\* **VBS is coming! "Take me to the Water – God's Love flows"**  
**August 13 – 17, Monday-Friday, 9:00-11:30am.** In only 8 days, OMC will welcome all children from age 4 to Grade 6 to join in learning, worshipping and VBS fun and games! It is not too late to volunteer if you can help with snacks for the children, or give some time to help with supervision. Please talk to Erica (281-8620)/email: e\_ca90@hotmail.com.

\*The **Church Yard maintenance** schedule is posted on the bulletin board. Lloyd Sawatzky and Ross Wiebe are asked to take charge of cutting the grass in the church yard this week.

\*"**Seek Peace and Pursue it**" is our theme for July, August and September. This is an MC Canada series, and each Sunday will focus on different aspects of peace.

August 12 – Seek peace within the broader church

August 19 – Seek peace and know God's blessing

August 26 – Seek peace through love

September 9 – Seek peace as a lifestyle

September 16 – Seek peace through respect

September 23 – Seek peace for the whole world

September 30 – Seek peace for your community

\***Aug. 12:** MC Sask invites you to a Celebration of Dale Schiele and Helmut Isaac's 30+ years of work with Person to Person. Come to the Park beside Mount Royal Mennonite Church at 3:00 pm for music, stories and farmer sausage on a bun. Bring a desert or maybe chips or a salad, and lawn chairs. There will be an offering to cover costs with any extra going to P2P/Micah Mission.

\***Bethany Manor:** Volunteer Servers are needed in the Dining Room to help set up, serve the meal and clear tables (2-3 hrs/meal). Receive a free meal each time you serve! Please contact Jennifer Bulka, Food Services Manager, at 380-7920.

\*Wondering what to do this fall? Consider spending a year traveling the world, learning about God & making lifelong friendships. **CMU's Outatown** discipleship program has just a few spots remaining for male students (ages 17-22) for the upcoming school year. Call (204) 487-3300 or visit [www.Outatown.com](http://www.Outatown.com)

\*From Mennonite Church Sask: **"Gadfly: Sam Steiner Dodges the Draft"**: Sunday, August 12, 7pm: Nutana Park Mennonite Church presents this play, the true story of a Mennonite rebel. See the bulletin board or poster below for details.



**GADFLY:**  
*Sam Steiner  
Dodges the Draft*

PRESENTED BY...  
**Theatre  
OF THE BEAT**

The true story of a Mennonite rebel,  
his underground newspaper and the  
war that drove him to Canada.

@ Nutana Park  
Mennonite Church  
1701 Ruth Street,  
Saskatoon, SK

SUNDAY, AUGUST  
12th at 7pm

Suggested Donation  
\$10-\$15

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"A thought-provoking piece that deals with conflicts that  
are still relevant today."  
The Charlebois Post - Montreal

"Gadfly is a beautifully written play, well-staged and well-acted."  
Bloodyunderated.net

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\*Sunday, August 26, 2:00pm at Shekinah: **A Mennonite/Muslim Gathering** sponsored by MCSask. See the Bulletin Board for details.

### TODAY'S SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

**2 Kings 6:8 - 23 (NRSV)** <sup>8</sup>Once when the king of Aram was at war with Israel, he took counsel with his officers. He said, "At such and such a place shall be my camp." <sup>9</sup>But the man of God sent word to the king of Israel, "Take care not to pass this place, because the Arameans are going down there." <sup>10</sup>The king of Israel sent word to the place of which the man of God spoke. More than once or twice he warned such a place so that it was on the alert. <sup>11</sup>The mind of the king of Aram was greatly perturbed because of this; he called his officers and said to them, "Now tell me who among us sides with the king of Israel?" <sup>12</sup>Then one of his officers said, "No one, my lord king. It is Elisha, the prophet in Israel, who tells the king of Israel the words that you speak in your bedchamber." <sup>13</sup>He said, "Go and find where he is; I will send and seize him." He was told, "He is in Dothan." <sup>14</sup>So he sent horses and chariots there and a great army; they came by night, and surrounded the city. <sup>15</sup>When an attendant of the man of God rose early in the morning and went out, an army with horses and chariots was all around the city. His servant said, "Alas, master! What shall we do?" <sup>16</sup>He replied, "Do not be afraid, for there are more with us than there are with them." <sup>17</sup>Then Elisha prayed: "O LORD, please open his eyes that he may see." So the LORD opened the eyes of the servant, and he saw; the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha. <sup>18</sup>When the Arameans came down against him, Elisha prayed to the LORD, and said, "Strike this people, please, with blindness." So he struck them with blindness as Elisha had asked. <sup>19</sup>Elisha said to them, "This is not the way, and this is not the city; follow me, and I will bring you to the man whom you seek." And he led them to Samaria. <sup>20</sup>As soon as they entered Samaria, Elisha said, "O LORD, open the eyes of these men so that they may see." The LORD opened their eyes, and they saw that they were inside Samaria. <sup>21</sup>When the king of Israel saw them he said to Elisha, "Father, shall I kill them? Shall I kill them?" <sup>22</sup>He answered, "No! Did you capture with your sword and your bow those whom you want to kill? Set food and water before them so that they may eat and drink; and let them go to their master." <sup>23</sup>So he prepared for them a great feast; after they ate and drank, he sent them on their way, and they went to their master. And the Arameans no longer came raiding into the land of Israel.